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to wake
UP

Romans 13:11-14



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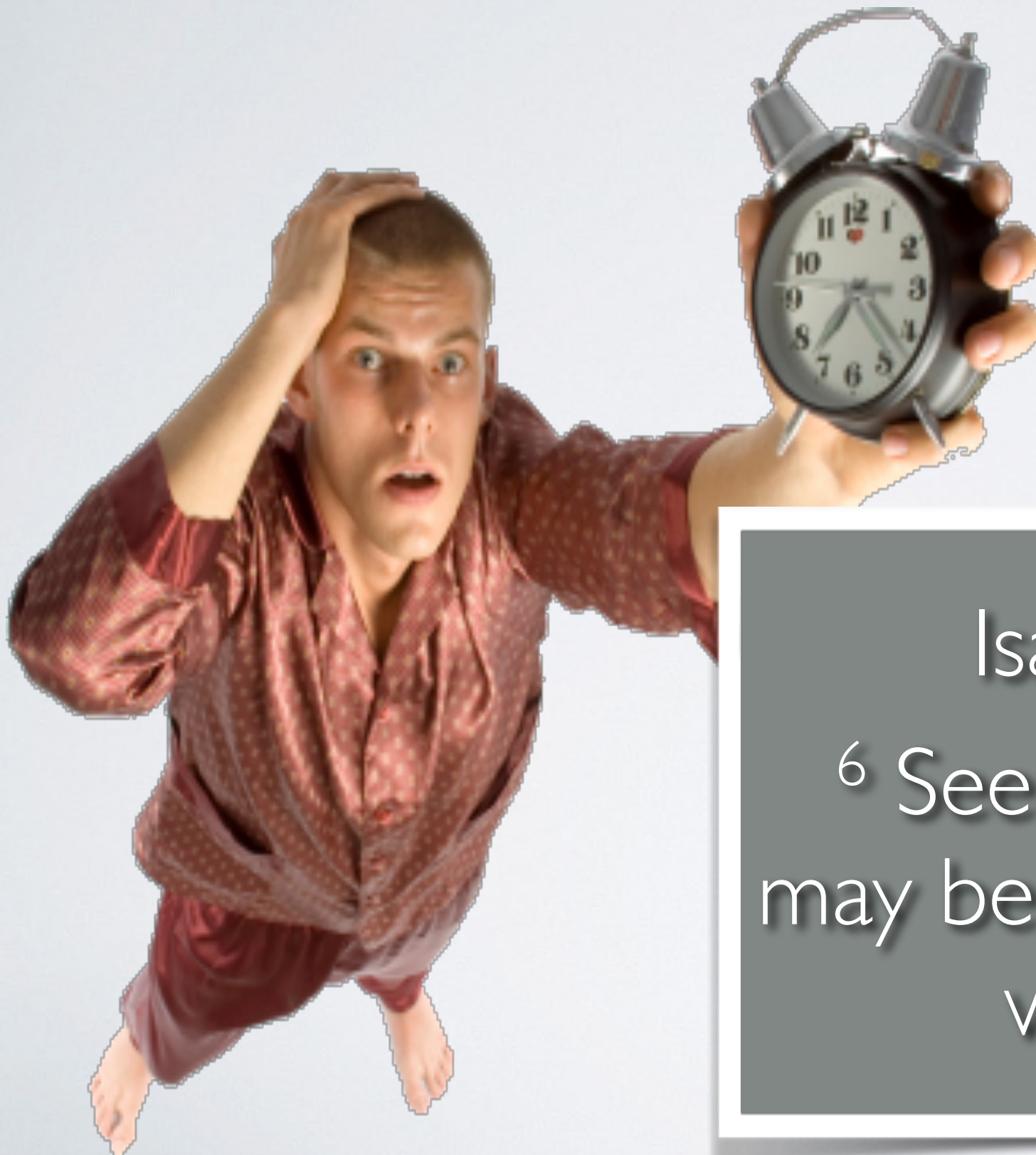
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Apathy, lethargy, and
indifference are
problems many
Christians and many
churches **NEED** to face
— Rev 2:4; 3:15-16

After describing our new life in
Christ, Paul urges Christian's to
WAKE UP and take action —
Rom 13:11-14

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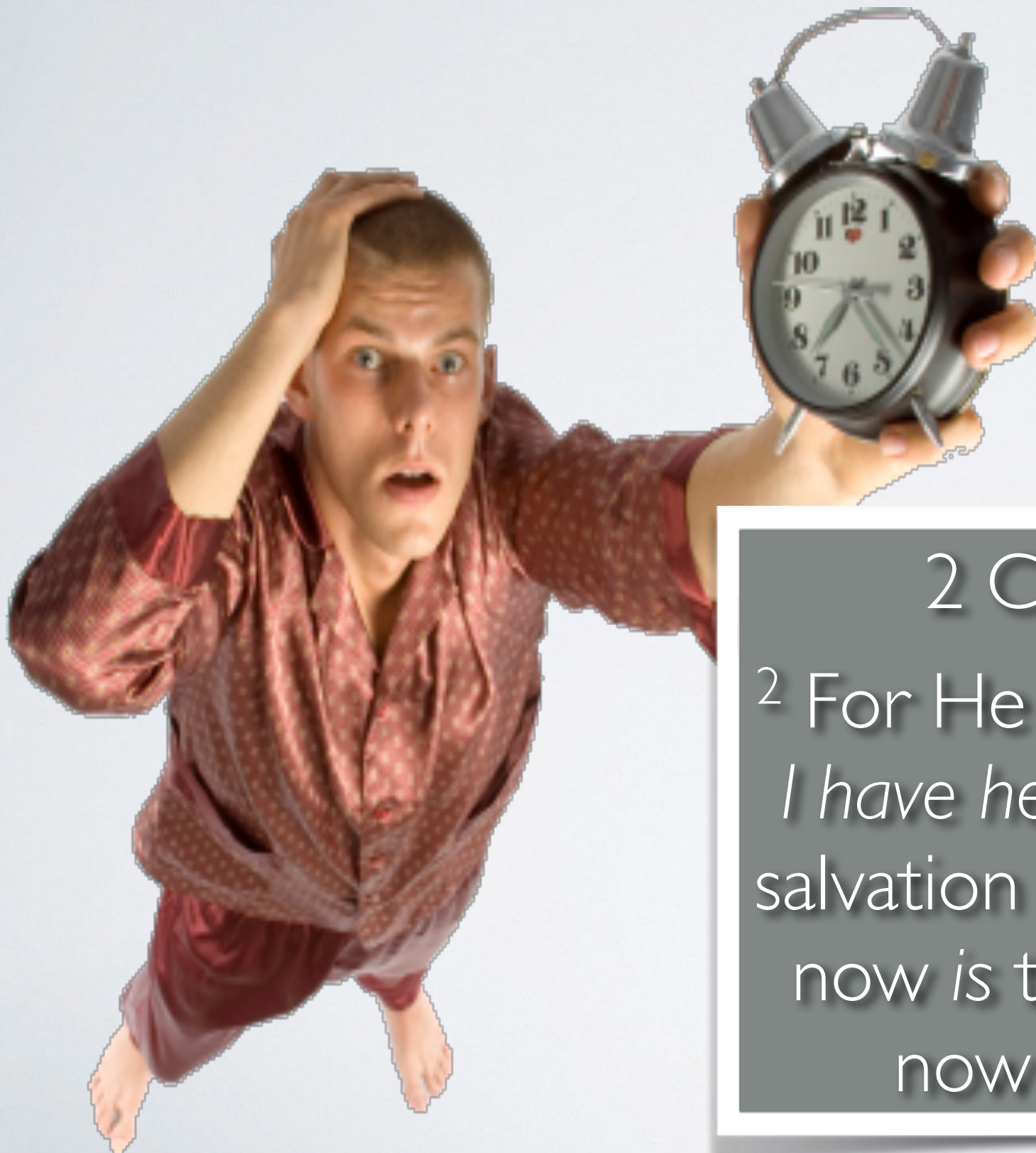


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Isaiah 55:6 (NKJV)

⁶ Seek the Lord while He
may be found, Call upon Him
while He is near.

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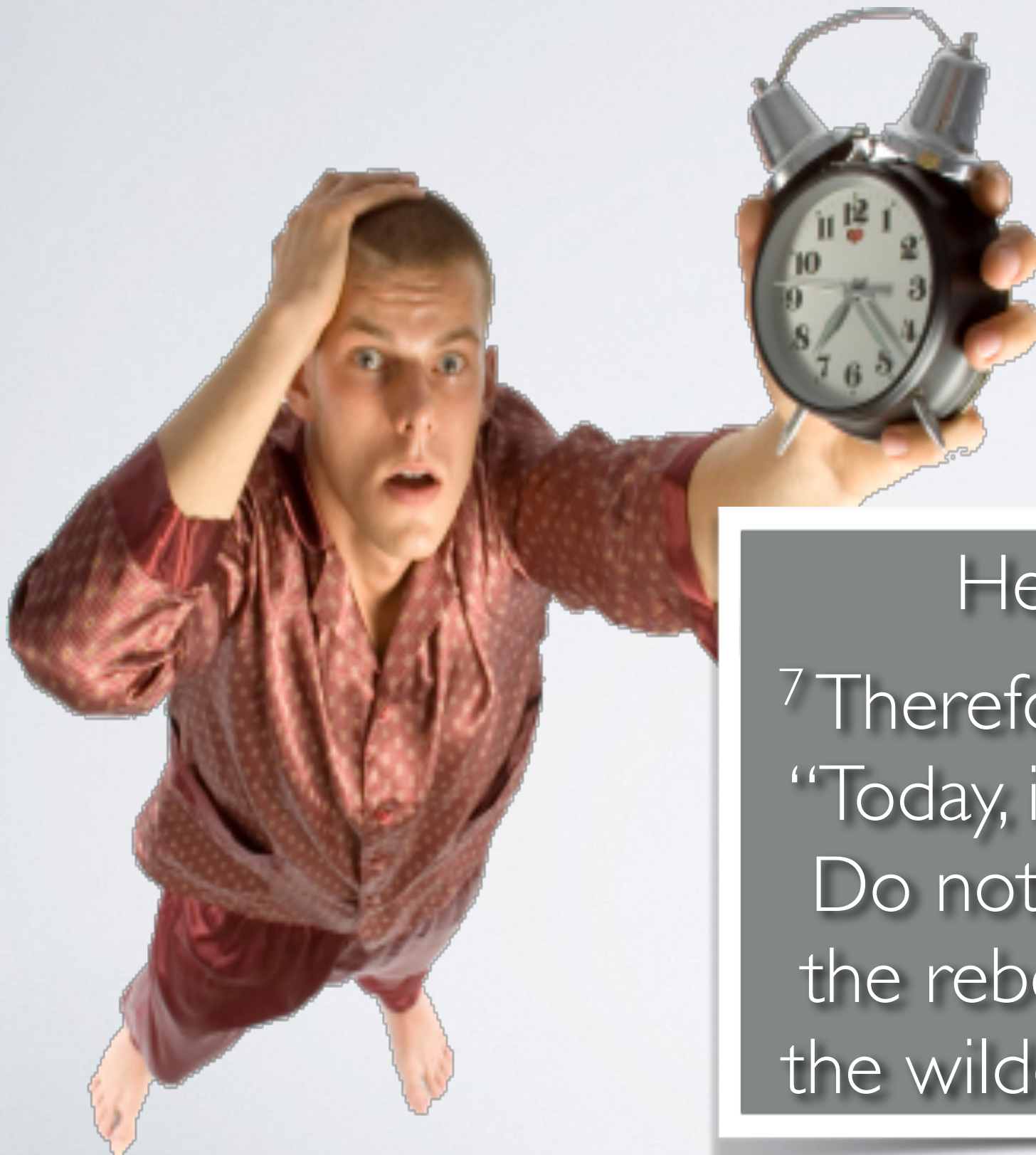


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2 Corinthians 6:2 (NKJV)

² For He says: "*In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.*" Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

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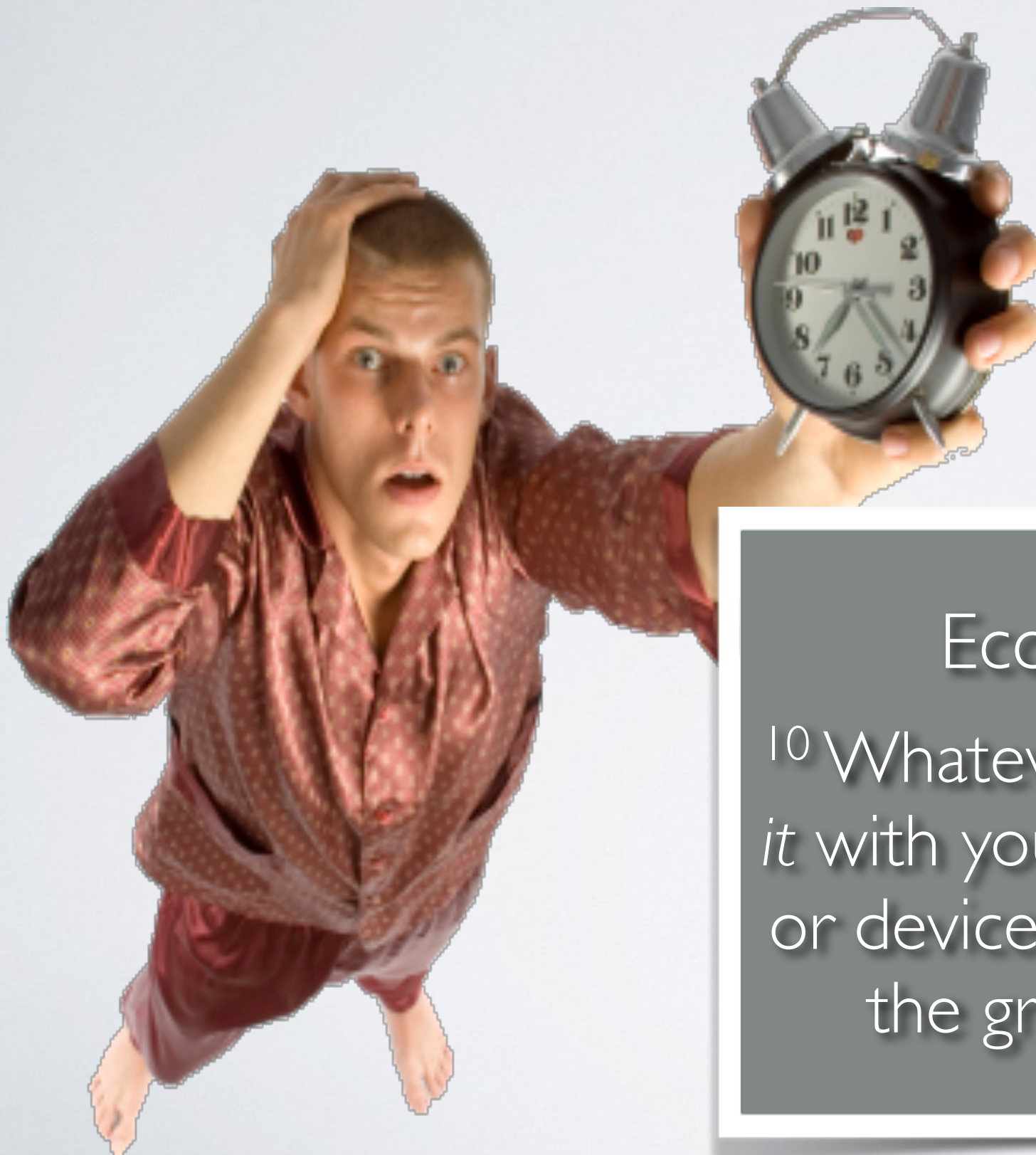


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Hebrews 3:7–8 (NKJV)

⁷ Therefore, as the Holy Spirit says:
“Today, if you will hear His voice, ⁸
Do not harden your hearts as in
the rebellion, In the day of trial in
the wilderness, (ver. 13, 15; ch. 4:7)

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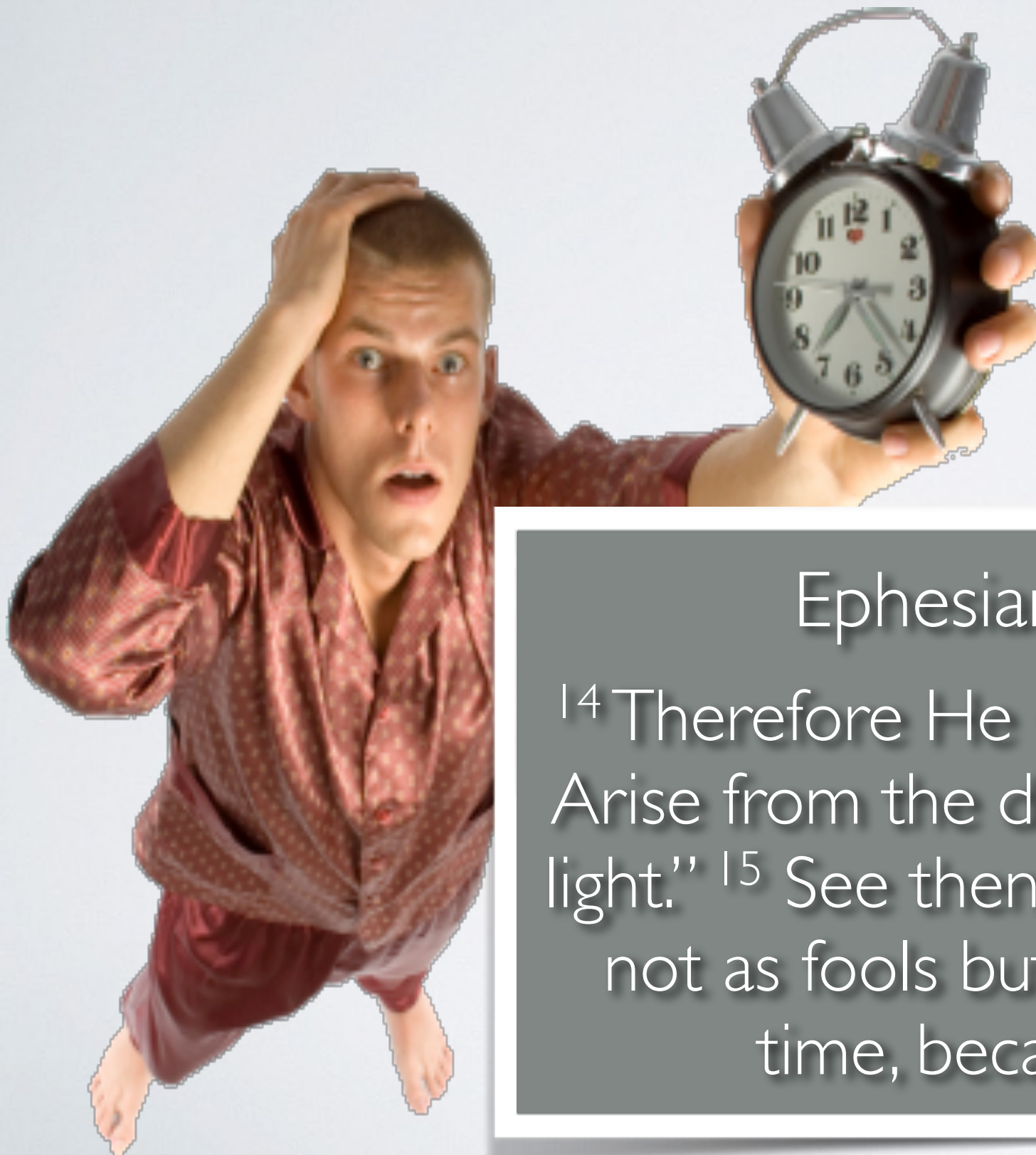


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Ecclesiastes 9:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ Whatever your hand finds to do, do
it with your might; for *there is* no work
or device or knowledge or wisdom in
the grave where you are going.

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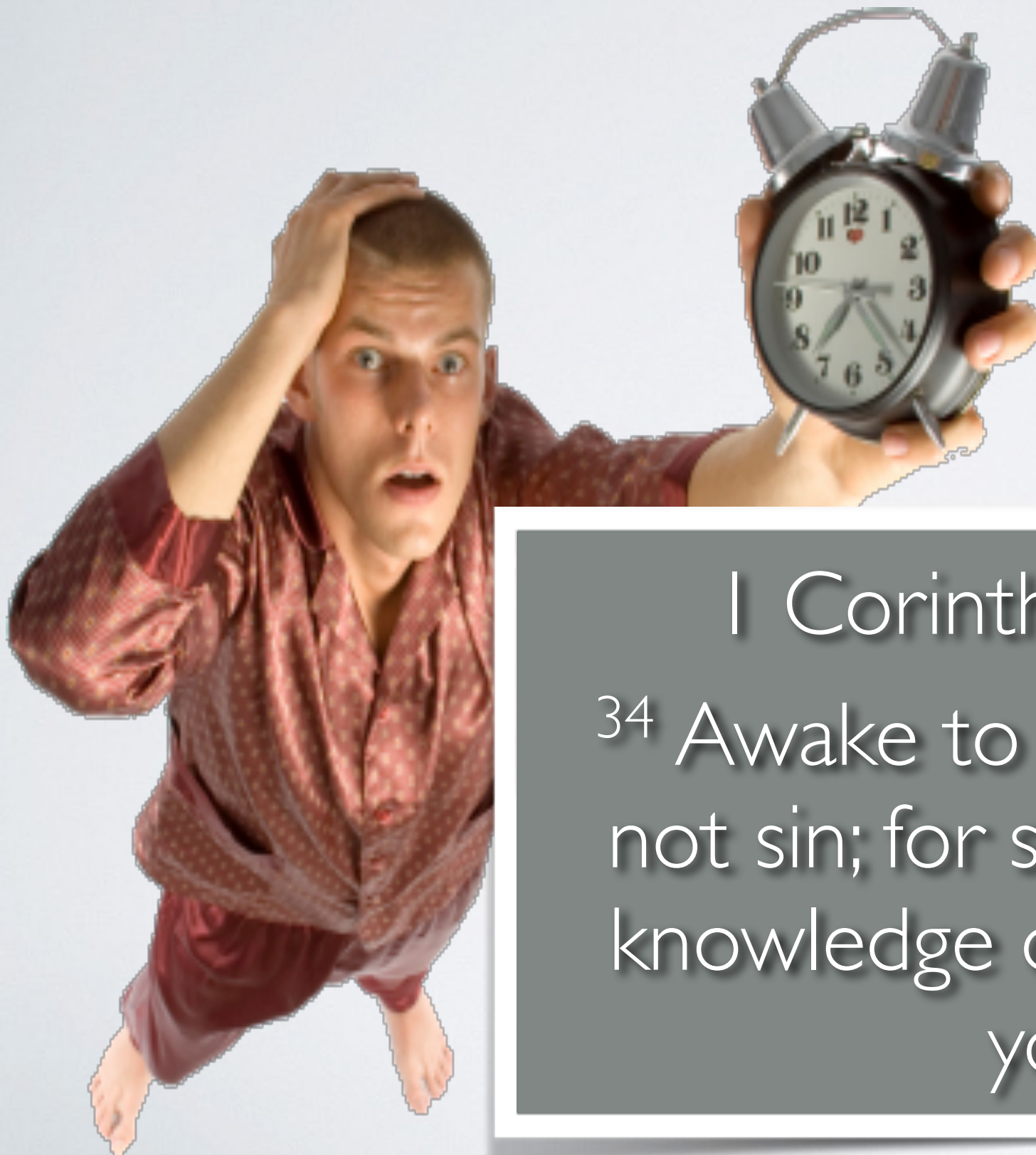


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Ephesians 5:14–16 (NKJV)

¹⁴Therefore He says: “Awake, you who sleep,
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light.” ¹⁵See then that you walk circumspectly,
not as fools but as wise, ¹⁶redeeming the
time, because the days are evil.

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I Corinthians 15:34 (NKJV)

³⁴ Awake to righteousness, and do not sin; for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak *this* to your shame.

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TIME TO BE AWARE

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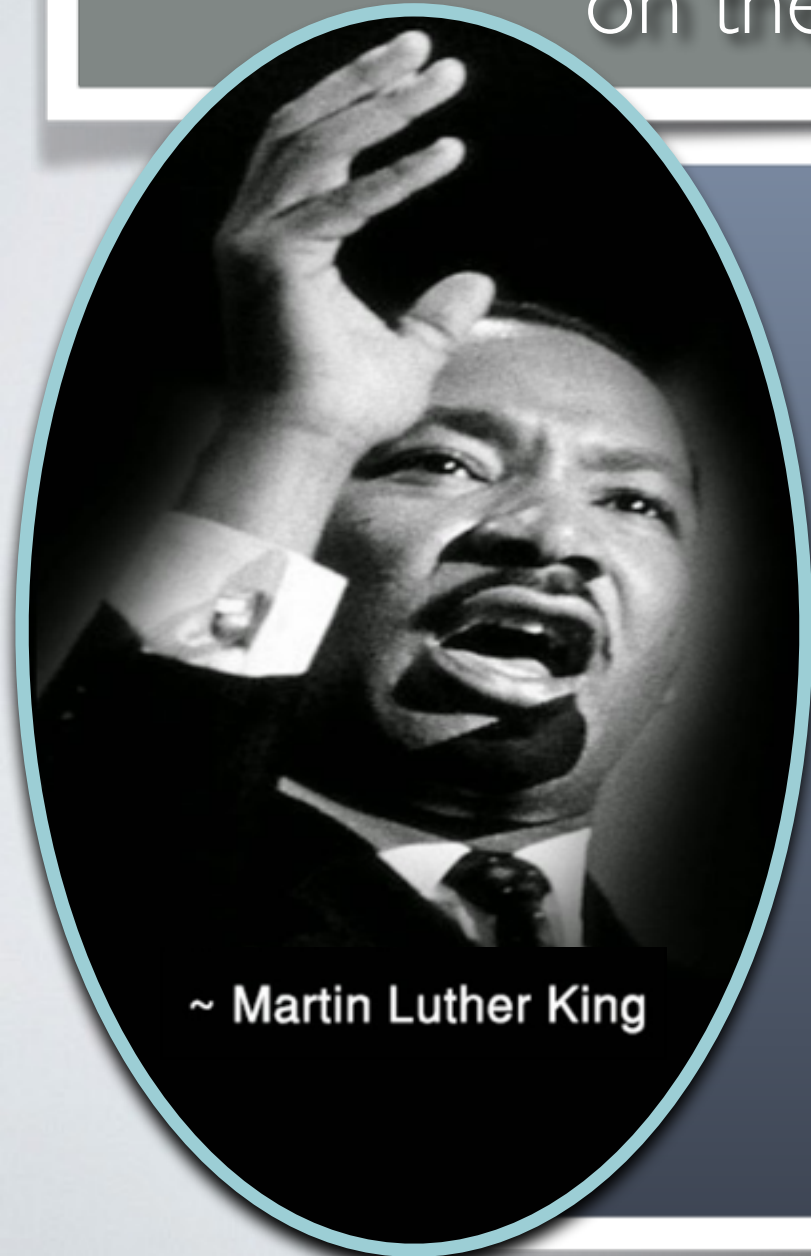


- We live in a wicked world – Nothing new – Gen. 4; 6:5; Phili 2:15; 1 Tim. 4:1-3; 2 Tim 3:1-5; 1 Jn 5:19
- Are we TRULY awake to our own spiritual condition – 1 Cor. 15:34; Ep. 5:14; 1 The. 5:5-8; Ro 12:1,2
- We are running out of time – Eccl. 9:10; 2 Cor. 6:2; Eph. 5:16; James 4:14-17; 1 Pet. 4:7; Mat 24:42; 25:5-7; 2 Pet. 3:10-14

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~ Martin Luther King

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HATRED Cannot
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ONLY LOVE CAN DO THAT

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- Put off wicked deeds — Eph. 4:22; Col. 3:8,9; 1 Thes 5:5-7; James 1:21; 1 Pet. 2:1; 1 John 2:15-17; 3:3
- Get dressed for battle — Eph. 5:11; 6:11-18; 1 Tim 6:12; 2 Cor. 10:3-5; 1 Thes 5:8,9; 2 Tim 4:7

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¹³ Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. — Romans 13:13



- **Living a godly life** — Properly, honestly, KJV - A life which corresponds to our calling and profession — Mat 5:13-16; Eph. 4:1; 5:8,15; Phili 1:27; Col. 1:10; 1 Thes 2:12; 4:12; 1 Pet. 2:12; 1 John 2:6
- **Not in sin** — 1 Cor. 6:9-11; Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 5:1-18; 1 Pet 4:3-5

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- **The meaning** - “to become so possessed of the mind of Christ as in thought, feeling, and action to resemble Him and, as it were, reproduce the life He lived.” Thayer

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- **And make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lust** – (avoid temptations) - Rom. 8:12,13; Gal. 5:16,17,24; Col. 3:5-8; 1 Thes. 5:22; 1 Pet 2:11; 1 John 2:15-17

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ARE WE AWARE, READY & BUSY?



- Do YOU recognize the urgency of TODAY?
- Do YOU recognize the sinfulness of the world and how easily YOU can be conformed to its thinking and deeds?

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ARE WE AWARE, READY & BUSY?

- Have YOU truly “put off works of darkness and put on the armor of light”?
- Have YOU truly put on the Lord Jesus Christ?
- Are YOU guarding & controlling your thoughts and deeds, making “NO provisions for the flesh”?



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EPHESIANS 5:8-21 (NKJV)

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), ¹⁰ finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. ¹¹ And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*. ¹² For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. ¹³ But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light.

EPHESIANS 5:8-21 (NKJV)

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EPHESIANS 5:8-21 (NKJV)

¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms
and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making melody in your
heart to the Lord, ²⁰ giving thanks
always for all things to God the Father
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
²¹ submitting to one another in the
fear of God.