

The Gospel in Romans Part 25
Rom. 13:8-14

- The Centrality of _____ in Christian _____ (8-10)
 - Love is a debt we _____ to the world. (v.8)
 - Referring to Lev. 19:18, Paul tells us (3 times) that love is the _____ of the Law. (cf. Mt. 22:37-39)
 - If you love others, you will not _____ them. (vv. 9-10)
 - Love is the criterion by which the world will know _____ we are disciples, even _____ we are disciples. (John 13:34-35)
 - This isn't just about individual _____, it is about global _____.
 - Love is a _____ of God's Spirit (Rom. 5:5), must be _____ (Rom. 12:9), is a _____ we have toward others (Rom. 12:10) and a _____ we owe to the world (Rom. 13:8).
- The Foundation of _____ in Consummated _____ (11-14)
 - Paul explains the foundation of Christian conduct by grounding _____ in _____.
 - Scripture divides _____ into "the present age" and "the age to come."
 - The "age to come" is "the Day of the Lord" when God will _____ His people and _____ the nations at the end of world history.
 - Eschaton means "_____ " and refers to the final consummation of God's _____.
 - Paul is saying that in the death, resurrection, and exaltation of Christ, with the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost, that "the age to come" has begun and now _____ with "the present age."
 - "The age to come" will fully arrive with the _____ of Christ.
 - We must, then, _____, because the night is almost over, and the light of day is near!
 - If you plan on living in the light of new creation, you better start _____.
 - We reject the sins and deeds of _____ and put on the armor of light.
 - We are not to _____ about sin, _____ its pleasures, _____ for its indulgence.

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- The Centrality of Love in Christian Conduct (8-10)
 - Love is a debt we owe to the world. (v.8)
 - Referring to Lev. 19:18, Paul tells us (3 times) that love is the fulfillment of the Law. (cf. Mt. 22:37-39)
 - If you love others, you will not harm them. (vv. 9-10)

- Love is the criterion by which the world will know that we are disciples, even whether we are disciples. (John 13:34-35)
- This isn't just about individual salvation, it is about global evangelization.
- Love is a gift of God's Spirit (Rom. 5:5), must be authentic (Rom. 12:9), is a duty we have toward others (Rom. 12:10) and a debt we owe to the world (Rom. 13:8).
- The Foundation of Ethics in Consummated Kingdom (11-14)
 - Paul explains the foundation of Christian conduct by grounding ethics in eschatology.
 - Scripture divides history into "the present age" and "the age to come."
 - The "age to come" is "the Day of the Lord" when God will rescue His people and judge the nations at the end of world history.
 - Eschaton means "last things" and refers to the final consummation of God's kingdom.
 - Paul is saying that in the death, resurrection, and exaltation of Christ, with the coming of the Spirit at Pentecost, that "the age to come" has begun and now overlaps with "the present age."
 - "The age to come" will fully arrive with the return of Christ.
 - We must, then, wake up, because the night is almost over and the light of day is near!
 - If you plan on living in the light of new creation, you better start now.
 - We reject the sins and deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.
 - We are not to fantasize about sin, contemplate its pleasures, plan for its indulgence.