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Ephesians 5:13-17 *"(13) But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. (14) Therefore He says: " Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light." (15) See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, (16) redeeming the time, because the days are evil. (17) Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is."*

Verse 13 prompts us to comprehend that God is intentionally exposing our sins to us for our eternal good so that we might forever live in His Kingdom with Him. And thus, The Lord urges us in verses 14-17 to snap out of it and take advantage of this, for we are as good as dead if we continue in sin. But because He desires to save, He exposes our sins to us for the purpose of repentance.

If we want to encounter the fullness of our deliverance from sin, doing our part by overcoming is totally necessary. We **must benefit** from this great gift, His Holy Spirit, and capitalize on every chance to confront our weaknesses and move on to perfection. He beseeches us not to let what has made you and I special to Him slip away from our grips.

Therefore, in verse 17 especially, our Lord encourages us to follow wisdom through plainly comprehending His will for us. The Lord desires us in His Kingdom, partaking in the life as He lives it, but a measure of accountability for reacting in surrender falls directly on our shoulders. It is crystal clear what we must do - we must make an effort to take advantage of our uniqueness before The Lord. Time is running out, so let's get to it!

At His service,
Pr. Teddy Santos