

AWAKEN TO DIE



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SUNDAY NIGHT MESSAGE by Ray Reynolds (9-18-15)

Introduction: Our topic for tonight is “Awaken to Die.” This is a curious theme. What does it mean to awaken to die? This thought almost sounds contradictory, doesn’t it? Tonight, I want to share five things that I think can help us awaken to die. We will specifically be looking at some passages from the apostle Paul. Let’s study together...

Discussion:

I. To Awaken To Die... You Need To Find Your Way

- **Acts 9, 22, 26**
- **Romans 6:1-11**
- **Colossians 2:12**
- **John 3:3, 5, 14:6**

II. To Awaken To Die... You Need To Flex Your Muscles

- **Ephesians 5:13-20**
- **Matthew 7:27-33**
- **Hebrews 12:1-2**
- **Jude 20**

III. To Awaken To Die... You Need To Put First Things First

- **Philippians 1:21**
- **Matthew 6:33-34, 16:24**
- **Luke 9:23-24**
- **Joshua 24:15**

IV. To Awaken To Die... You Need To Be Faithful in Kingdom Service

- **Philippians 3:6-11**
- **Romans 12:1-2**
- **II Timothy 4:6-8**
- **Revelation 2:10**

V. To Awaken To Die... You Need To Share Your Freedom With Others

- **Galatians 5:1**
- **Ephesians 1:14, 3:12**
- **Matthew 28:18-20**
- **II Corinthians 3:2-3**

Conclusion: Paul considered himself to be the worst of sinners (**I Timothy 1:15**). Ananias had the courage to teach him and baptize him (**Acts 8-9, 22, 26**). We would not be here unless someone had the opportunity to tell us about Christ. We are all sinners in need of the grace of God (**Romans 3:23, 6:23**). Will you awaken to die? Are you prepared to lay down your life? Are you willing to live in Christ? Are you prepared to meet the Lord?