

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS 13:11-14

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*The Word of the Lord.*

PSALM 84

<sup>1</sup> How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord God of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

<sup>2</sup> The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

<sup>3</sup> Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.

<sup>4</sup> Happy are the people whose strength is in you! Whose hearts are set on the pilgrim way.

<sup>5</sup> O Lord of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!