PUT ON CHRIST

Scripture Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Introduction:
1. People prepare for many things (e.g. hurricane)
2. We know the end of all things is coming. Paul tells us to be ready.

I. DEPARTURE IS DRAWING NEAR
   A. THE WORLD IS COMING TO AN END -2Pe 3:10-ff
      1. Peter describes the end of the earth.
      2. He asks us to consider the type of people we ought to be with this knowledge in mind.

   B. OUR LIFE IS A VAPOR -Ja 4:14
      1. Nothing is wrong with having plans for the future.
      2. We must always include God, knowing our time is short.

II. PUT OFF THE WORKS OF DARKNESS
   A. CONSIDER THE LIST GIVEN IN THE TEXT

   B. SIN / DARKNESS LIKES TO HOLD ON TO US
      1. We must die to sin -Ro 6:11
      2. We must flee youthful lust; they war against the soul -1Pe 2:11

III. PUT ON CHRIST
   A. THE BAPTISM REFERENCE
      1. Note: not within context; Paul is writing to Christians.
      2. We still must put on Christ to be saved. - Ga 3:27

   B. PUT ON THE CHARACTERISTICS OF CHRIST -Co 3:12-ff

Conclusion:
1. We must always be ready for the return of Christ, or our departure to be with Him.
2. We must awaken spiritually and live right before God.