Living Worthy of My Calling, Pt. 14 "Children of Light"

Ephesians 5:8-14

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. A Declaration of the Dramatic Change w	hich God Brought About	v. 8a
(1) Our Former State: Darkness!	"For you were once darkne but now you are light in ti	
-1- A miserable state!		
- not merely <i>in</i> darkness		
-2- But a thing of the past! "you were once darks	ness"	
(2) Our Present State: Light in the Lord!		
-1- Light, by virtue of our union and fellowship w	vith Christ	
-2- Made radiant by grace! The enemy tells us qu	uite the opposite!	
2. A Command to Live It Out	vv	v. 8b-13
(1) A Full and Blessed Life (8b-10)	"Walk as children	of light.

- -1- A life lived in all goodness, righteousness, and truth
- -2- A life lived in the power of the Spirit
- -3- A life that is pleasing to the Lord
- (2) A Separated Life (11-13)

"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them."

-1- We are to keep our lives separate from the works of darkness.

- What fellowship does light have with darkness?!

-2- We are to reprove the works of darkness Light exposes the darkness

- because their shamefulness is worthy of reproof (12)
- because this is our privilege and responsibility as children of light (13)

3. A Declaration of the Amazing Grace that Brought this all About v. 14

"Therefore He says,

- The Divine explanation of all that has been described here.
- Isaiah 60:1

'Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

- A portrayal of Irresistible grace:

- An awakening from sleep...but from the sleep of sin and death!
- By Divine command!

Further Application