



**TRINITY**

**Methodist Church**

Online Worship Service

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A close-up, low-angle shot of a lion running towards the camera. The lion's mane is dark and voluminous, and its body is a golden-brown color. The background is a blurred savanna landscape with dry grass and trees under a bright sky. The lion's expression is focused and determined.

**SERMON**

# **Be Awake And Sober**



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1 Thessalonians 5: 6

1 Peter 5: 8



# Background:

Why we need to be awake and sober?

1. To be ready for the coming of Christ.  
(1 Thessalonians 5: 6)
2. To be ready when Satan attacks.  
(1 Peter 5: 8)

# 1. Be Awake

- Awake means stay vigilant and alert.
- Why must we be awake?
  - To keep the faith which expressing itself through love. (Galatians 5: 6)

# Bible Verse:

- holding on to faith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and so have suffered shipwreck with regard to the faith. (1 Timothy 1: 19)
- How much more severely do you think someone deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified them, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? (Hebrews 10: 29)

# 1. Be Awake

- Awake means stay vigilant and alert.
- Why must we be awake?
  - To keep the faith which expressing itself through love. (Galatians 5: 6)
  - Because we are weak, and devil is prowling around to devour us. (1 Peter 5: 8)

# How to be awake? Pray!

- Prayer distinguish sin, temptation, lust, and trickery, at the same time we will be aware of God's will and actions. (Matthew 26: 41)
- Prayer awaken love. (Matthew 5: 44)
- Prayer cast out demon. (Matthew 7: 21)
- Prayer brings blessings. (Matthew 6: 6; 21:22)



**Prayer is essential in Christian Faith.**

## 2. Be sober

- Sober means self-control or moderation.
- Why must we be sober?
  - Sin, temptation, and lust are usually linked to indulgence.
  - Sober brings vigilant.

# How to be sober? Holy Spirit!

- The fruit of the Holy Spirit brings self- control.  
(Galatians 5: 22-23)
- Holy Spirit is the Spirit of self-discipline.  
(1 Timothy 1: 7)
- Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness.  
(Romans 8: 26)



Holy Spirit helps us to overcome sin, temptation and lust!

- Holy Spirit fights the flesh desires.  
(Galatians 5: 16-17)
- Holy Spirit touches and prompts us.  
(John 16: 8)
- Holy Spirit reminds us our identity  
(Romans 8: 16)



**Do not quench the Holy Spirit.  
(1 Thessalonians 5:19)**

# Conclusion:

- Be awake through prayer, to be ready for the coming of Christ and to avoid being devoured by the devil.
- Be sober through Holy Spirit, to avoid falling into sin, temptation and flesh desire.