While We Wait
1 Thess. 5:1-11
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Live Ready for the *Day*!

Know
Know the Keeper of the date (5:1-3)
Acts 1:6-8
Luke 21:27-28
Matt. 24:37-39
Eyes on the horizon, hands on the plow.

Be
Be children of the light; **B**e awake & sober (5:4-7)
Judges 13:5, 24-25; 16:17-20
Matt. 5:14-16
Be spiritually awake and shine bright!

Armor
Armor up w/faith, love & hope (5:8)
1 Sam. 17:34-47 - Faith
1 John 4:7-12; 1 Cor. 13:4-7 - Love
Job 19:25-27 - Hope
We don't wait in our pjs - get dressed!

Live
Live in the truth of salvation (5:9-10)
John 10:27-29
John 11:25-26
Safe in His hands, alive in His power.

Encourage
Encourage one another (5:11)
Ex. 17:12
Heb. 10:24-25
Waiting is easier together.

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Discussion Questions:

1. What does it look like to be "awake and sober" on an ordinary Tuesday?
2. Hope is described as a "helmet" for the head. What kinds of thoughts or fears does hope guard your mind against?
3. Paul says God did not destine us for wrath but for salvation. How does that truth change the way you wait for Christ's return?
4. Looking back over the passage, which one word stands out most to you (Know, Be, Armor, Live, Encourage), and what is one step you'll take this week because of it?