A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: November 17, 2019 2 Corinthians 13

- 1. How did Paul end chapter 12 (vs 21)?
- What does Paul say that he will do if he finds what he is afraid he'll find, according to 13:2-3?
 - a. "On my return I will not ______ those who sinned earlier or any of the others, since you are demanding proof that ______ is speaking through me. He is not ______ in dealing with you, but is ______ among you."

4. What admonition does Paul give the Corinthian church in 13:5?

- a. Trust Jesus that you are saved no matter what.
- b. Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith.
- c. Test yourselves.

5. What does Paul ask them in 13:5?

6. What does Paul suggest in 13:7 that they should do if Paul and his companions (their pastors or leaders) have done something wrong or have failed them in some way?

- a. In that case, it would be ok for the church also to do something wrong.
- b. It justifies ungodly actions by Christians.
- c. Paul's prayers is that they may do what is right even though the leaders may seem to have failed.
- 7. Why, according to 13:10, has Paul been harsh in his letters?
 - a. He's always harsh.
 - b. It was necessary, but he hopes it will mean that he doesn't have to be harsh when he comes to them.
 - c. He is trying to tear them down.
 - d. He has authority from the Lord to build them up.
- 8. What does Paul tell the church to strive for in 13:11?
- 9. What are you striving for in your life and for the lives of those around you?