## A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: January 24, 2024 Amos 5:18-27

- 1. What does Amos say in verse 18?
- 2. Why does Amos say that?
  - a. We shouldn't long to go to heaven.
  - b. Because the people he is speaking to think they are longing for a good thing, but since they are not right with the Lord, they unknowingly long for the day of their own destruction.
- 3. Wow, that is rough! It's a good thing that hasn't been addressed to us...has it? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Explain.\_\_\_\_
- 4. How does Amos describe this day, according to verses 19-20?
  - a. It will be as though a man fled from a lion only to meet a bear.
  - b. It will be as though a man entered his house and rested his hand on the wall only to have a snake bite him.
  - c. He notes that we think we are escaping the bad things in this world...but we end up facing something worse in eternity, if we have not lived our lives faithfully and devoted to God.
- 5. What is God saying in verses 21-27?
  - a. He doesn't like church.
  - b. He doesn't like fake worship...inauthentic ritual from people whose hearts are far from him.
  - c. He is not contractually obligated to like acts of worship and receive them from people who have ignored him all week.
  - d. All the church in the world does not wipe away the fact that you haven't lived a life of obedient worship all week. Only true repentance (turning from your ways to pursue his ways) does that.

6. How should we respond to this message from God?\_\_\_\_\_