## A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: July 30, 2023 Ephesians 4:17-32

- 1. How serious is Paul about his instructions in this section, according to verse 17?
  - a. He hopes we will listen.
  - b. This is going to be pretty good advice.
  - c. He insists on it, in the Lord.
- 2. What is Paul's instruction, according to verse 17? You \_\_\_\_\_ no longer \_\_\_\_\_ as the \_\_\_\_\_ do....
- 3. What does Paul tell us about the way that the Gentiles live?
  - a. They are darkened in their understanding....
  - b. They are separated from the life of God....
  - c. Their hearts have been hardened.
  - d. They have lost all sensitivity....
  - e. They have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity....
  - f. They are full of greed.
- 4. What does Paul say about the believers to whom he is writing, according to verses 20-21?

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- 5. What is the way of life that we have learned as believers, according to verse 22?
  - a. To put off your old self...
  - b. To be made new in the attitude of your minds....
  - c. To put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.
- 6. As a reminder, how important was this to Paul (and to God), according to verse 17? \_

Is this the way you are living?

- 7. Discuss the instructions that Paul gives in verses 25-32 and how they apply in our lives.
  - a. Put off falsehood and speak truthfully.
  - b. In your anger do not sin.
  - c. Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry.
  - d. Do not give the devil a foothold.
  - e. Steal no longer. \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Work. \_\_\_\_\_
  - g. Do something useful, that you might have something to share with those in need.
  - h. Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up...
  - i. Get rid of all bitterness, rage, and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.
  - j. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.