

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: March 29, 2017
Acts 20:13-38

1. What happened at the end of last week's Bible Study?
 - a. Paul was teaching into the night.
 - b. He kept going on and on!
 - c. A young man fell asleep and fell out the window.
 - d. Paul ran down and threw himself on the dead man and he became alive!

2. Then what did he do, according to verse 13?
 - a. He sailed away.
 - b. He walked about 32 miles across the peninsula and met the boat on the other side!

3. Why, according to verse 16, did Paul decide to sail past Ephesus?
 - a. He wanted to avoid spending time in the province of Asia.
 - b. He was in a hurry to reach Jerusalem, if possible, by the day of Pentecost.

4. What did Paul do while they were at Miletus, according to verse 17? _____

5. What did he tell the elders of the church when they arrived, according to verses 18-35?
 - a. You know how I lived the whole time I was with you...
 - b. You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you...
 - c. I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.
 - d. I am compelled by the Spirit to go to Jerusalem...even though it will likely mean hardship...
 - e. I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me – the task of testifying to the good news of God's grace.
 - f. He reminds them of the responsibility that he has fulfilled, commissions the elders with the task of oversight (watchmen) that he had previously undertaken, and then warns them of those who would try to distort the truth (verses 25-31).
 - g. Ultimately, he makes a final defense of his ministry to them before he hands over the care of the Ephesian Christians to capable people.

6. Could you make such a defense for your faithfulness in the ministry to which God has called you? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

7. Is God or His people trying to entrust you with ministry the way Paul does with these elders? Yes_____ No_____ Will you be faithful in fulfilling it? _____

8. What did Paul do in verse 36? _____
