A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: July 17, 2016 Ephesians 1:3-14

- 1. What is Paul praising God for, according to verse 3-10?
 - a. That God made him rich.
 - b. That God blessed him with an easy life.
 - c. For every spiritual blessing...
 - d. That God blessed us in Jesus Christ.
 - e. Salvation!
- 2. According to verse 4, what were we chosen for?
 - a. Salvation.
 - b. Blessings.
 - c. To be holy and blameless in his sight.
 - d. For adoption...
- 3. Does that mean that some were not chosen?
 - a. Yes, if he chose some, he must not have chosen some.
 - b. No, 2 Peter 3:9 says that God does not want any to perish.
 - c. No, verses 9 says he made the mystery of his will known to us to bring unity to ALL THINGS in heaven and on earth...
 - d. No, he chose us all, but the question is will we choose Him?
 - e. No, verse 11-12 defines the chosen as those who were chosen to receive the message FIRST! Then, verse 13 explains that when we hear the message, we also are included.
- 4. What (or who) is the seal or deposit guaranteeing our inheritance, according to verses 13 & 14?
- 5. How does the Holy Spirit guarantee our inheritance?
 - a. Once we are saved, we can never lose our salvation.
 - b. When we have the Holy Spirit, we can do whatever we want.
 - c. The Holy Spirit gives us power to walk consistently in His light and we do not have to turn away from God, therefore we persevere until the end (Matt 24:13).