A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: October 22, 2017 Hebrews 12:14-17

- What does verse 14 tell us that our lives should look like as believers?
 a. We should live in peace with others as far as it is in our power to do (see also Rom 12:18).
 b. Our lives should be holy (set apart, obedient, pure).
 c. We must put effort into living the kind of lives that God has called us to.
 - d. It doesn't matter how we live or what our lives look like, God has already forgiven us anyway.
- 2. What does verse 15 suggest about the grace of God?
 - a. That we could fall short of it.
 - b. That if we are not careful a "bitter root" could grow up in us.
- 3. What does verse 16 tell us to make sure?
 - a. See that no one is sexually immoral.
 - b. See that no one is "godless like Esau"
- 4. What was the sin of Esau that caused the writer to call him godless (see also Genesis 25:19-34)?
 - a. He was consumed by satisfaction of his immediate desires over the fulfillment of his long-term good.
 - b. He lost sight of what was truly important.

How are the two things that Hebrews mentions in verse 16 related?
What, according to verse 17, was Esau's reaction after he had received his meal and realized what he had done (see also Genesis 27)? a. He wanted his blessing back.
b. He begged and cried.c. He realized the importance of what he had lost.
Have you ever traded something long-term or even eternal for the fulfillment of an immediate desire? Yes No Explain.