A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: August 20, 2017 Hebrews 5:11-6:12

- 1. What does the writer of Hebrews have much to say about?
 - a. Jesus, the great high priest.
 - b. The high priest who had weakness, but still chose to live holy.
 - c. Salvation for those who obey.
- 2. Why, according to 5:11, is it hard to make this clear?
 - a. Because it is complicated.
 - b. Because we are dumb.
 - c. Because we "no longer try to understand."
- 3. What does 5:12-14 say about some of us?
 - a. By this time, we ought to be teachers.
 - b. Instead, we need the elementary truths of God's word all over again.
 - c. We are babies who can't handle chewing on the real groceries.
 - d. We are not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness.
- 4. What does the writer of the Hebrews encourage us to do, according to 6:1-3?
 - a. Move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ.
 - b. ...be taken forward to maturity.
 - c. ...stop moving backward to a position where we need to be taught again about acts that lead to death and basic faith.
- 5. What do 6:4-6 tell us about salvation?
 - a. He is telling us who is beyond forgiveness.
 - b. He expressing with extreme urgency the importance that we remain faithful instead of going back and forth between the world and the Lord.
 - c. He is telling us that our sin crucified the Son of God and when we continue in sin (or return to it) we crucify the Son of God all over again and subject him to public disgrace.
- 6. How do 6:7-8 add to this teaching?
 - a. I don't really know.
 - b. It is comparing us to farmland...if we receive the teaching (rain) joyfully and put it into practice we produce fruit that is useful and are blessed.
 - c. He clarifies the uselessness of land that does not receive the teaching that is given.
 - d. He clarifies that there is a consequence for not being changed by the Word of God, in the end.
- 7. What is the writer saying in 6:9-12?
 - a. He does not feel as if this should apply to his readers because he is hopeful (convinced) that we will receive the message and respond.
 - b. Although he brings harsh correction, he has not given up on us!
 - c. He wants us to continue in the good works that we have begun...not going back...to the very end!
 - d. He wants to make sure that we do not become complacent (lazy).
- 8. Will you heed this instruction?