A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: August 27, 2017 Hebrews 6:13-20

- 1. What promise is the writer of the Hebrews talking about in verse 13-14 (see also Genesis 22:15-18, Exodus 32:13)?
 - a. The promise of blessing on Abraham.
 - b. The promise to make Abraham's descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky.
 - c. God's promise to respond to the obedience of His people.
- 2. When does it say, according to verse 15, Abraham received what was promised?
 - a. Immediately, like a touch-screen coke dispenser.
 - b. "After waiting patiently..."

3.	When do we expect to receive the promises of God?	

- 4. What is verse 16 talking about?
 - a. People swear by someone greater than themselves...
 - b. Taking oaths on something greater confirms what is said and puts to an end all argument.
- 5. Brainstorm some "oaths" or things that people swear to and list them.
 a.
 b.
 c.
 d.
- 6. Why, according to verse 17-18, did God swear by himself?
 - a. Because he wanted to reaffirm his own unchanging nature.
 - b. He wanted to remind his people that there is no need for him to swear by anything or anyone else because he is the one who is trustworthy and dependable.
 - c. So that we remember that it is impossible for God to lie.
 - d. To encourage us in that we have one in whom we can put our trust when everything else seems unstable.
- 7. What, according to verse 19, do we have as an anchor?
 - a. "This hope..."
 - b. Hope in the unchanging faithfulness of God.
 - c. Hope in Jesus who went before us into the very presence of God to be our high priest and talk to God on our behalf.