## A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study Date: January 31, 2018 Philippians 3:1-14

- 1. What does Paul say to do, in verse 1? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Has Paul written about this subject before? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ How do we know? \_
- 3. How does Paul feel about writing these things again?
  - a. He is tired of repeating himself.
  - b. It is no trouble.
  - c. He realizes that it is a safeguard for the people to whom he is ministering.

## 4. Who is he telling them to watch out for?

- a. Dogs, evildoers, and mutilators of the flesh.
- b. Those who were preaching the necessity of circumcision.
- c. Those who would put their confidence in the flesh instead of the Lord.
- d. All of the Above.
- 5. What does Paul say about circumcision at the beginning of verse 3?
- 6. Who is the we that he is talking about, according to verse 3?
- 7. Why does Paul say he has reason to put his confidence in the flesh?
  - a. Because of the family he came from.
  - b. Because of his adherence to the law.
  - c. Because he was zealous and passionate.
- 8. What, according to verse 7-9, does Paul say about these reasons for confidence?
  - a. Whatever were gains to me, I now consider loss.
  - b. Knowing Christ far surpasses anything that could be gained from these.
  - c. I consider them garbage.
  - d. I would trade all of it for being found in Him.
- 9. What do you have that you could put confidence in?
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ b.

Do you consider these things loss for the sake of Christ? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

- 10. Does Paul have any righteousness at all, according to verse 9? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Where does Paul say our righteousness should come from?\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 11. If Paul has received a righteousness in Christ, why does he seem to deny it or belittle it by calling it garbage (see verse 12-13)?

12. Are you pressing on toward the goal? \_\_\_\_\_