

DNA - Alive Study Guide

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Conversation Guide:

- Pastor Derwin used an acronym to talk about how we are now **ALIVE**. Let's walk through the acronym together.

A: **Alive in Christ**. Read **Ephesians 2:1-5**. Before Christ entered the scene, what were you? What does it mean when it says, "you were dead in your trespasses and sins? What is the turning point in vs. 4?

L: **Loved by Christ**. Read **Ephesians 2:4-5**. What is the motivation behind God saving us? How can we now show love to others?

I: **Indwelt by Christ**. Read **Ephesians 3:16-19**. What/who is a saint? In the original Greek, the word for saints in this verse is "hagios." This means "set apart and holy." How does knowing that YOU are set apart affect how you live? How do you now carry yourself at home/at work/at school?

V: **Verified by Christ**. Read **Ephesians 1:4-7**. Do you struggle with seeking the approval of others, rather than the approval of God? How do you know that you are approved by God?

E: **Express Christ's love**. Read **Romans 6:10-11**. You are dead to sin. Instead of focusing on the sin you struggle with, focus on the truth that you are alive in Christ. How can you apply what you read in these verses to your new life in Christ?

- Do you believe that you are alive in Christ? What is holding you back from embracing this truth? How is the Holy Spirit prompting you to live this truth today?
- What verse from today's conversation stood out to you and why?

Soul-tattoo: Say the "I Am Alive" creed three times a day this week: *(Take time to recite this together as a group right now.)*

Father,
I have been resurrected from the dead by the resurrected Christ.
In Christ, through the Holy Spirit's power, I am loved, holy, and blameless.
Jesus, You are my verification, and I am how You express Your life on earth.
Be glorified in me and through me. I am alive with You.
Amen. Amen. Amen.