



The Danger of Drifting From Salvation

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Hebrews 2:1-4

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The Warning Passages in Hebrews

- 1) Drifting from the Word (2:1-4)
- 2) Doubting the Word (3:7-4:13)
- 3) Dull toward the Word (5:11-6:20)
- 4) Despising the Word (10:26-39)
- 5) Disobeying the Word (12:14-19)

- The Purpose of the Warnings - Why are they in the book of Hebrews?

- The People in the 1st Warning - Who is the writer speaking to?

Not the CHRISTIAN.

Not those who have NEVER heard the gospel.

But those who are *only* INTELLECTUALLY convinced of the gospel.

LESSON - The Danger of Drifting From Salvation (2:1-4)

I. YOU SHOULD PAY CLOSE ATTENTION BECAUSE OF THE CHARACTER OF CHRIST v. 1

2 phrases to understand

"we must pay much closer *attention* to what we have heard ..."

"so that we do not *drift* away from it."

II. YOU SHOULD PAY CLOSE ATTENTION BECAUSE OF THE CERTAINTY OF JUDGMENT v. 2

2 words are used to describe sin

"every *transgression* ... received a just penalty" = To STEP across the line.

"every *disobedience* ... received a just penalty" = To NEGLECT to do something.

The principle - The more you KNOW, the greater the CONDEMNATION. (Matthew 11:20-24; Mark 12:38-40; Luke 12:47; Hebrews 10:28-29)

III. YOU SHOULD PAY CLOSE ATTENTION BECAUSE OF THE CONFIRMATION OF GOD vs. 3-4

2 witness of the Gospel

"... it was at the first spoken *through* the Lord," = The SAVIOR. v. 3a

"... It was *confirmed* by those who heard, ... = The APOSTLES. vs. 3b-4

Today's Growth Point - How do you know if you have not drifted from salvation?