The Danger of Drifting (Hebrews 2:1-4)

Over the course of time, many people drift away from the most important things in life as apathy, laziness, and fatigue pull them off course. How do we stay anchored to what matters most? In Hebrews 2, we see Jesus and his salvation as the true north that guards us and keeps us.

1. Don't drift from Jesus

- Jesus is the fulfillment of everything God has been doing with His people (ch. 1)
- Because of the supremacy of Jesus, we must pay close attention to Him, lest we drift away.
- Even those who have been walking with Jesus some time must beware lest we drift.
- The book of Hebrews celebrates Jesus and His beauty. But it is also a book of warnings warnings of the danger of neglecting Jesus.
- "Drifting from the Word of God leads to drifting from the Son of God."

2. Neglecting Jesus shipwrecks the soul

- We cannot escape if we ignore the great salvation in Jesus. But in Jesus, there is deliverance!
- Neglecting = pay no attention, ignore
- Faith & effort are not mutually exclusive.

QUESTIONS (Pray, read the passage and pick 4-5 questions to discuss. Trust the Holy Spirit to guide.)

- 1. Read Hebrews 2:1-4. In addition, review the things said about Jesus in ch. 1 so that you can understand the "therefore" in 2:1?
- 2. What are the various reasons and ways people might drift away from what they believe about Jesus? For you personally, how might you be tempted to drift?
- 3. In your experience, what is the relationship between meditating on God's Word and staying anchored in Jesus? In the same way, how does a lack of God's Word lead to drifting?
- 4. How are we like the Israelites under OT Law when it comes to drifting? What is the argument here in Heb. 2:1-4 about our salvation in Jesus and how that should keep us from falling away?
- 5. The beauty of Jesus can keep us from drifting that is positive motivation. There is also negative motivation when we consider the destruction of drifting from Jesus. How do both work together in our life?
- 6. Is it possible for true Christ-followers to drift from Jesus? How can children of God live with confidence and yet take these warnings to heart?