
First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“The Danger of Drifting”

“Jesus is Greater” - Pt. 4

Hebrews 2:1-4 & Selected

Spiritual drifting is the slow, almost unnoticeable, movement away from the protective covering of the living God.

Because Jesus is Greater I Must...

I. Closely inspect my walk so that I do not drift away!

“Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.” Vs. 1

“For we walk by faith, not by sight.” 2 Corinthians 5:7

“Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.”

Galatian

s 5:16

II. Value correctly the truth I’ve received to not drift away!

“For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable....”

Vs.

2a

“Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.” John 17:17

“When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come.”

John 16:12-13

III. Strip away anything that might cause me to drift away!

“...and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution.” Vs. 2b

“...let us lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.” Hebrews 12:1b

III. Heed the warnings I receive when I begin to drift away!

“...how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation?”

Vs. 3a

“You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.” James 4:4

How can I tighten the knot of faith so that I do not drift away?

“Train (discipline) yourself for godliness.”

1 Timothy 4:7b

I Tighten the Knot By...

- Time spent in God’s Word... **Authority!**
- Time spent in prayer... **Dependence!**
- Time spent in worship... **Humility!**
- Time spent in small group... **Accountability!**
- Time spent in service... **Selflessness!**