

Summit Woods Baptist Church
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Hebrews 2:1-4

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read Hebrews 2:1-4.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

1 For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard,
so that we do not drift away from it.

2 For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable,
and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty,
3 (then) how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?

4 After it was at the first spoken through the Lord,
it was confirmed to us by those who heard,
God also testifying with them, both
by signs and wonders
and by various miracles
and by gifts of the Holy Spirit
according to His own will.

1. How does this passage relate to the previous section?

2. What action is the author looking for from the recipients in v. 1?

3. What is the author wanting them to pay attention to?

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4. What is he referring to that they heard?
5. Why is the author wanting his audience to pay closer attention to what they have heard?
6. What does he mean by “drift away”?
7. How does this verse relate to the larger section in the book of Hebrews? How does this verse relate to the book of Hebrews as a whole?

❖ Day 2

Read Hebrews 2:1-4 again.

8. What is the word spoken through angels?
9. What does it mean that this word proved unalterable?

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10. Is there a difference in meaning between transgression and disobedience?

11. What is meant by a just penalty?

12. What is the logic that connects verses 2 and 3?

13. What is meant by 'so great a salvation?'

14. What sort of 'escape' is the author speaking of?

15. What is the 'it' that was spoken through the Lord?

16. Who might be 'those who heard'?

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❖ Day 3

Read Hebrews 2:1-4 again.

17. What time or events is verse 4 referring to?

18. Is there a difference in meaning between 'signs,' 'wonders,' 'various miracles,' and 'gifts of the Holy Spirit'?

19. Why is the phrase 'according to His own will' important?

20. How does the argument in verses 2-4 make verse 1 more urgent?

21. How might you personally 'pay much closer attention'?

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22. How would you summarize or paraphrase verses 1-4?

In preparation for Sunday, pray that we would understand the significance of the revelation of God in Jesus. Pray that we would understand the importance of spiritual things and the necessity of salvation from the wrath of God. Pray that we would pay close attention to the Gospel and know how, as individuals, we can give it the priority that it deserves.