

MESSAGE NOTES

February 21, 2010

Drop Anchor or Drift

Hebrews 2:1-18

#2 Renewing Hope and Confidence

God has spoken to us in Jesus Christ, so pay attention!

Hebrews 2:1-4

¹For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. ²For if the word spoken through angels proved unalterable, and every transgression and disobedience received a just penalty, ³how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard, ⁴God 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.

When we pay attention to Jesus Christ we will hear and see. . .

Our _____ who fulfills our destiny.

Hebrews 2:5-10

⁵For He did not subject to angels the world to come, concerning which we are speaking. ⁶But one has testified somewhere, saying, "WHAT IS MAN, THAT YOU REMEMBER HIM? OR THE SON OF MAN, THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIM? ⁷"YOU HAVE MADE HIM FOR A LITTLE WHILE LOWER THAN THE ANGELS; YOU HAVE CROWNED HIM WITH GLORY AND HONOR, AND HAVE APPOINTED HIM OVER THE WORKS OF YOUR HANDS; ⁸YOU HAVE PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER

HIS FEET. " For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him. ⁹But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.

Our _____ who sets us free

Hebrews 2:11-15

¹¹For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one Father; for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, ¹²saying, "I WILL PROCLAIM YOUR NAME TO MY BRETHREN, IN THE MIDST OF THE CONGREGATION I WILL SING YOUR PRAISE." ¹³And again, "I WILL PUT MY TRUST IN HIM ." And again, "BEHOLD, I AND THE CHILDREN WHOM GOD HAS GIVEN ME." ¹⁴Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵and might free those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

Our _____ who understands and helps us.

Hebrews 2:16-18

¹⁶For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham. ¹⁷Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in all things, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.



February 22-27, 2010

MONDAY

Read Hebrews 2:1-4, 3:1 and 12:25. What does it mean to pay close attention to what we have heard? What difference does it make if we pay attention or not? In what way(s) does this motivate you?

TUESDAY

Read Ephesians 4:17-24 and Hebrews 5:11-14. According to these passages, how are we to go about focusing on and paying attention to what we have heard? What will you commit to doing as a result of what you have studied today?

WEDNESDAY

Read Genesis 1:26, and Psalm 8:4-8. According to these passages, what is one of the primary purposes for man in creation? Because of sin, our mandate to rule was damaged. Read Romans 5:17, and Hebrews 2:5-10. How does Jesus' victory over sin impact our ability to bring Jesus' dominion to the world around us?

THURSDAY

Read Psalm 8:4-8, Romans 6:11 and Ephesians 4:23-32. What are the implications of Christ reclaiming our dominion? How can you exercise God's dominion in your battle with sin, in your family, at work, etc?

FRIDAY

Read Hebrews 2:11-15 and Romans 5:20-21. The fear of death is not only the fear of dying, but also the fear of having a wasted life. How does being in Christ free you from the fear of death? What are the implications of being freed from the fear of death?

WEEKEND

Read Hebrews 2:16-18, 4:14-16 and 7:23-25. What does it mean for Jesus to be our high priest? As our high priest, what does He do on our behalf? How does understanding this role of Jesus give you hope and confidence? What will you do this week to experience Jesus as your priest?

Taking Hebrews To Heart Challenge:

Throughout the series memorize, pray over and apply these passages: Hebrews 3:13, 4:12, 7:25, 11:6, 12:1-2 and 10:19-25.

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