

Hebrews 2:1-9 “Dangers of Drifting”

### **Icebreaker**

Have you ever slowly drifted away from a habit, goal, or relationship without realizing it at first? What caused the drift?

**Read:** Hebrews 2:1-9

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### **Key Theme**

God has spoken clearly and finally through His Son, Jesus Christ. Because the message of salvation comes from the Son of God Himself, it demands our full attention and response. Hebrews 2:1–9 warns believers about the danger of spiritual drift—neglecting the gospel through inattention or complacency. The only safeguard against drifting is anchoring our lives in the Word of God and fixing our eyes on the crowned and reigning Jesus.

### **Discussion Questions**

#### **1. Warning of Spiritual Drift (2:1-3a)**

The passage uses the imagery of drifting at sea. Why is drifting such a helpful picture of spiritual decline?

The sermon pointed out that drifting often happens slowly and almost imperceptibly. What are some subtle ways Christians today begin to drift spiritually?

#### **2. The Seriousness of the Message (2:2-3)**

If disobedience under the Old Covenant brought judgment, what does that imply about ignoring the message of salvation delivered by the Son?

Why is the seriousness of the Gospel often minimized in modern culture or even within churches?

#### **3. Hearing the Witnesses (2:3b-4)**

These verses mention several witnesses to the truth of the Gospel: Jesus, the apostles who heard Him, and God’s confirmation through miracles and the Holy Spirit. Why is it significant that the Gospel message is supported by these witnesses?

The sermon explained that miracles and spiritual gifts point to Jesus rather than themselves. Why is that distinction important?

#### **4. The Coronation of Jesus (2:5-9)**

How does Jesus fulfill the role of the “last Adam” where the first Adam failed?

Why is it encouraging to know that even when the world seems chaotic, Jesus is already crowned with glory and honor?

### 5. Fixing Our Eyes on Jesus

Verse 9 says, “But we see him...namely Jesus.” Why is fixing our attention on Jesus essential for preventing spiritual drift?

What does it mean to rely daily on the One who has already conquered sin and death?

### 6. Guarding Against Drift

What practical habits help anchor believers in God’s Word and keep them from drifting?

How can our church or even our life group help one another remain faithful and attentive to the Gospel?

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#### Takeaway

Because God has spoken through His Son:

- We must pay careful attention to the gospel message
- We must guard against the subtle danger of spiritual drift
- We must anchor our lives in the Word of God
- We must trust the reliable witness of Christ, the apostles, and the Spirit
- We must fix our eyes on Jesus, the crowned and reigning Savior

***Drift happens when we stop rowing. The Christian life requires continual attention to Christ and obedience to His Word. Our hope and stability are found in the One who became man, suffered death for us, and is now crowned with glory and honor.***

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#### Prayer

Father, thank You for speaking to us through Your Son. Forgive us for the ways we sometimes neglect Your Word or allow our hearts to drift from the truth. Help us pay closer attention to the gospel and anchor our lives firmly in Scripture. Fix our eyes on Jesus, who suffered for us and is now crowned with glory and honor. Strengthen our faith, guard us from drifting, and help us walk in faithful obedience to You. In Jesus’ name, Amen.