

LIFE GROUP – WEEK THREE



Jesus Warns Against Drifting

Hebrews 2:1-4

This Winter, we are experiencing God's presence together by encountering Jesus in the Book of Hebrews.

This week, we considered how the preacher of Hebrews encourages us to "pay much closer attention" to Jesus and his gospel. No one drifts into greater intimacy with God. So this week, we want to consider where we're tempted to drift, and how we can "pay much closer attention."

GETTING STARTED

We start each week by intentionally being present to one another. If you need a little help getting the conversation going, consider starting with these questions...

Ice Breaker

What's your all-time favorite book and why?

(Don't say the Bible 😊)

Going Deeper

Were you able to embody a ministry of presence to the person you identified last week? How did that go?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Our discipleship to Jesus is meant to be a holistic way of living, involving our whole selves - **head, heart, and hands**. While each person will likely gravitate to one of these over the others, it's important we all consider how God's love affects our minds, our hearts, and our actions.

REMINDER: These guides are meant to facilitate PRESENCE - to God and one another - not to check boxes. Feel free to let conversation naturally flow to whichever questions connect with you personally. As the Spirit leads you, feel free to set aside this guide to pause, praise, and pray together.

HEAD

This passage is the first of 5 warning passages in Hebrews (2v1-4; 3v7-19; 5v11-14; 6v1-8; 10v26-31). Clearly, the preacher wants his church (and us) to be aware of certain dangers.

Why should Christians be on guard against drifting? What are some of the dangers you see for someone drifts away from Jesus?

What does it look like to “neglect salvation”, but still go to church and participate in religious activities?

HEART

Have you ever had the experience that you realized you had been drifting? Who or what helped you see that, and how did that experience impact you?

What sermon or teaching has had the biggest impact on you in your life?

How have you experienced the gospel through the ministry of the gifts of the Spirit?

Have you ever experienced a sign, wonder or miracle that declared the gospel?

HANDS

Do you have any particular practices that help you “pay closer attention to the gospel?”

Do you know anyone who is in danger of drifting? (You don’t have to share their name.) How does this passage equip you to embody a ministry of presence to them and remind them of the truth of the gospel?

PRACTICE OF PRESENCE

Consider doing the 66-Day “Pay Attention to the Gospel” Challenge! (Available on the Study Resources document... see the LG Guide email for link!)

CLOSING PRAYER

End your time with 10-15 minutes of prayer, paying close attention to the gospel together. Thank God for his finished work in Jesus, praise him for his resurrection power, invite the Spirit to declare the Gospel through your life, and intercede for friends or family who need the hope of the Gospel.