Warning to Pay Attention - Hebrews 2:1-4

Topics: Angels, Backslide, Carelessness, Disobedience, Good News, Gospel, Holy Spirit, Law, Legalism, Miracles, New Covenant, Persecution, Religion, Salvation, Traditions

Open It

- 1. What are some warnings you are glad you heeded?
- * 2. What are some warnings you wish you had heeded?
 - 3. What trouble have you gotten into from not paying attention?
 - 4. How did you feel when you first followed Christ (or when you first realized your need for Christ)?

Explore It

- * 5. What did the writer of Hebrews want his readers to pay attention to? (2:1)
- * 6. What danger awaits Christians who carelessly forget the truth? (2:1)
 - 7. What happened to those who violated the "message spoken by angels" (that is, the Mosaic Law)? (2:2)
 - 8. Who played a major role in delivering the Mosaic Law? (2:2)
- * 9. What are the consequences for those who pay no attention to the gospel? (2:3)
 - 10. Who revealed the message of "great salvation" to the world? How? (2:3)
 - 11. Who confirmed the salvation that Jesus announced? How? (2:3-4)
 - 12. What did God do to validate the gospel message? (2:4)
 - 13. How did God distribute gifts of the Holy Spirit? (2:4)
 - 14. What is the role of each member of the Trinity in delivering the gospel message? (2:3-4)

Get It

- 15. Why do you think the Hebrew Christians were in greater danger if they ignored "such a great salvation" than those who violated Old Testament law?
- 16. How do we as modern Christians tend to "drift away" from God?
- * 17. How do we as modern Christians fail to pay careful attention to what God tells us?
 - 18. What advice or counsel would you give to a Christian friend who was drifting spiritually?
 - 19. What kind of attitudes or actions would mark a Christian who is drifting?
- * 20. How can we help ourselves pay closer attention to God's Word?
 - 21. Why do you think God is stricter on those who have been given more revelation than others?
 - 22. In what specific ways can you pay greater attention to God's Word?

Apply It

- 23. What safeguards can you put in place this week to help you stay close to the Lord?
- * 24. What are some ways you can nurture your attention span toward God this week?
 - 25. Who can you ask this week to help you resist the temptations to drift away from Christ?