

Lesson 3: Heb 2:1-4

God warns us concerning drifting away in our thinking from what He has offered us – to become a partaker of Christ – and He lovingly teaches us how to guard against it.

First warning section – Do not stop paying attention.

To stop paying attention is the first in a series of downward steps which end in forfeiture of the privilege to become a partaker of Christ, a loss of sharing in His reign in His future kingdom.

- **The danger: Drifting away**

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- Something we do or allow to happen, we are responsible.
- It can happen to any of us, but it can also be avoided.

To drift away is to slowly but consciously disregard the salvation (past, present, future) offered by God. It occurs over time. It is to reach a place in my thinking in which I am not really concerned about my salvation – I do not really care about it, I simply neglect what God has done for me and what He has promised for my future.

How does this happen to us?

- **The consequence: We will not escape**

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- Proof – Israel did not escape.
- Proof – An even greater offer to us made by Jesus Christ and confirmed by God.

If I allow myself to drift away and fail to actively get back on course, there is 100% certainty that I will suffer very serious consequences.

- **The curative: Pay Attention!**

It is critically important to carefully consider (in a far greater way) the privilege of becoming a partaker of Christ.

What are some ways to go about heeding what God is saying – that we should *pay attention to so great a salvation*?
