

**"On the Way" 365 Bible Reading Plan****Hebrews 2****Hebrews 2**

*Therefore, we must give more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will? (Hebrews 2:1-4)*

The first four verses above are the first of five warnings, instructions, or exhortations to the new followers of Jesus who were young and immature in the faith and from the admonitions somewhat sluggish or even maybe being as a sloven in their approach to the gospel and walk with God.

The first verse is interesting in that it presents the probability, and yes, even the inevitability of "drifting" away from obedience to the Word of God which has been clearly given. The writer is stating the reality that to make progress and walk with the Lord, we must be as a soldier, totally focused on pleasing the

one who enlisted us. We must be an athlete who is disciplined in body, soul, and spirit to run the race that is set before us and abide by the rules set by one greater than we are. We must be like the farmer who arduously works the fields, plowing, sowing, watering, tilling, weeding, and then the harvest comes. These are the things Paul reminded his son in the faith, Timothy, of in II Timothy two. There is no getting around it. If we do not intentionally and deliberately walk with God, it will not happen! If we do not intentionally walk with God, we will go astray! This is what the writer was saying to these Hebrew believers. They needed to step up their intentionality in their walk and fellowship with the Lord Jesus. Otherwise, they will slip. It's not hard to *drift*! It is easy to drift. All you have to do is relax, do nothing, stop rowing and you will float down the stream of disobedience. Following Jesus is a lifelong commitment, each day. The moment you stop moving forward, you begin to go backward. There is not standing still. There is no moment when you can coast. The moment you begin to coast there is only one way to go and that is downhill!

**Prayer and Action Steps**

***Lord, thank you, for being with me every moment, and thank you for helping me to remember that I am responsible for my walk with you each day, every day, throughout the day. Please help me to be disciplined and not give up, look back, or give in to the temptation to coast or drift.***

***Amen***