

The Letter To The Hebrews **Overcoming Satan's Lies About The Word** **Hebrews 2:1-4**

Lie #1 — there's no harm in neglecting this Word about Jesus. (vv.1-3a)

We are falling for this lie if we say things like "I already know the Bible; I've read it before."

But this is a lie. V.1 says we are either clinging to God's Word or we are drifting toward destruction.

Vv.2-3a say that if neglecting the Old Testament (which was delivered by angels) brought punishment, how much more will neglecting the New Testament (which was delivered by God's own Son)?

So if we don't cling to the Word we will drift toward eternal destruction.

This does not mean someone can be genuinely saved and end up eternally destroyed — because when God saves us He changes our hearts so we pay heed to warnings like this. Every saved person will persist in clinging to God's Word — and so will not face destruction.

So cling to God's Word!

Lie #2 — there's no certain truth in this Word about Jesus. (vv.3b-4)

God has confirmed the truth of this Word in three ways —

Step One — this Word was declared by the Lord — Jesus Himself (3b)

Step Two — this Word was attested by eyewitnesses — the apostles (3b)

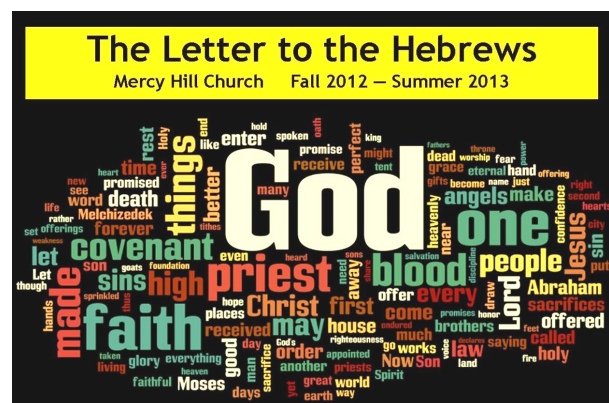
Step Three — this Word was attested by miracles attesting to the apostles (4).

What does this mean for us?

We are either clinging to God's Word or drifting to destruction.

We have every reason to believe the truth of God's Word.

So — cling to God's Word!



HOME GROUP DISCUSSION OF SUNDAY'S TEACHING

(Sometimes in our home groups we talk about Sunday's teaching, so we can work together on responding to God's Word — asking questions, sharing insights, talking together.)

What was the Holy Spirit saying to you Sunday through these Scriptures?

What questions, ideas, objections, encouragements did you come away with?

Have you ever thought "I already know God's Word — why do I need to read it again?" Are you persuaded by Hebrews that if you talk that way, then you've bought into a lie? Why or why not?

What are some ways you've doubted the truth of God's Word? Did Hebrews help strengthen your confidence in God's Word? Why or why not?

What are some ways you can grow in clinging to God's Word? How can you pursue this by faith and not just by will-power?

What is God calling you to do because of this Scripture? How this week will you grip the rope of God's Word constantly and vigorously?

Share prayer requests that come up in the discussion, jot them down below, and pray for each other.

