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Text: Hebrews 2:1-4

Main Idea: Drifting from Christ is an imperceptible danger, which every true believer must avoid by persevering in their love and obedience to Him!

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- Drifting is so _____ that it is unperceivable.
- Drifting is caused by the _____ of life: tide of years, _____, busyness, _____, sensuality.
- _____ do you know if you have drifted?
 - Your _____ life no longer exists.
 - _____ to Christ is no longer your goal.
 - Gathering to _____ Him has lost its delight.
 - Material _____ have become the major force in your life.
 - Public worship moves your mouth but not your _____.
 - _____ takes on a predominant role in your life.
 - The preaching of the gospel _____ you.
 - You have no concern for the _____.

2. We must listen more closely (persevere) because there will be no _____ of judgment for those who ignore Christ! (v. 2-4)

- Because of who _____ is. (v. 1a)
- Because _____ is certain. (v. 2-3a)
 - The message spoken through _____ proved unalterable.
 - Every transgression & disobedience received a **just** _____.
- Because God has _____ the message of His Son! (3b-4)
 - It was first spoken of through the _____.
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2. What are the essentials that we **must believe** and “pay closer attention to” so that we persevere until the end?
3. What are some signs that a person has or is drifting away from Christ?
4. What specific activities must you diligently do in order to prevent yourself from drifting? (see Prov 4:23)
5. Is there anyone in your life (family, friends) that you should be concerned about? What could you and should you do to help prevent them from drifting away from Christ?
6. Give three reasons from this passage as to why drifting away from Christ is such a peril?
7. When the writer refers to “transgression or disobedience” receiving a **just** punishment according to the Law of God what is he referring? (See Lev 24:14-16, Num 15:30-36) Do these punishments seem too harsh and “unjust?” What do we learn about God from these passages?
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