Sermon Questions Hebrews 2:1-8

"May I have your attention, please?" This question may perk our interest but often times we are simply reminded of a truth we already understand. Therefore, at times when we are warned we simply do not pay attention to the warning. This can be very true for us in our relationship with God. Sometimes when we read or hear warning passages read, we think this is a passage for someone else because "I know that I am already saved." However, the purpose of warning passages instructs the believer and admonishes the unbeliever to be sincere about their relationship with Jesus Christ. At times, warning passages can be challenging but they are essential for us to continue in a right relationship with God. As you listen to the message this week, open your heart and allow God to do some "spiritual surgery" on you so that you can experience a greater measure of His grace.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Pay Close Attention Hebrews 2:1-8

Don't drift away from the veracity of the Word (1)

Don't <u>neglect</u> the <u>generosity</u> of salvation (2-4)

Don't discount the reality of the age to come (8-12a)

Don't <u>underestimate</u> the <u>severity</u> of your sin (12b)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it HERE. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

- 1. How do you respond when someone says, "May I have your attention, please?" Why should we take warning passages in the Bible seriously? Why are some of the warning passages in the Bible difficult to hear? How can we benefit from the warning passages?
- 2. Why is paying attention more than just listening? How is acting on your belief just as important? Are there any other places in the Bible that discuss that obedience is more important than lip service?

- 3. What does it mean to drift from the veracity of the Word? Why do people drift? If people are not presently anchored to Jesus Christ and willing to make a change what will ultimately happen to them? How common spiritual drift in our culture?
- 4. Read Psalm 139:23-24. How did David desire the Lord to search His heart? At the Last Supper, how did the disciples respond to Jesus' statement that someone would be betray Him? If the Bible asks us to examine ourselves to see if we are in the faith (2 Corinthians 13:5) then why are so many people reluctant to do that? Are you willing to let God examine your heart?
- 5. What is repentance? How is repentance a gift from God (Romans 2:4)? Why is repentance essential for salvation (2 Corinthians 10:7)? Why is turning from our sin necessary for turning to Christ? If this is the way of salvation that is taught throughout the New Testament, why is this rarely taught?
- 6. What does it mean to neglect the generosity of salvation? When someone neglects what are they doing? How is disregarding or being unconcerned about salvation different than outright rejection? Why is this so common? Why is this so scary?
- 7. What does it mean to escape? How will those who neglect salvation not flee, not run away or not be acquitted from their sins? Read Hebrews 10:26-21. How does this passage speak to your heart? Why is this passage such a necessary truth for people to hear?
- 8. Why will a majority of people in our culture end up in hell from neglect rather than rejecting salvation? How does the parable to the soils (Mark 4), the parable to the wheat and the tares (Matthew 13) and the story about the vine and branches (John 15) all highlight this same truth?
- 9. Why do many people discount the Lordship of Christ? Why do some people say, "Jesus is my Savior but I'm not ready to make Him Lord yet." How has this false gospel permeated our society? Why is it essential that this false gospel is exposed? Why do some people get angry when this false gospel is exposed? How do we help people who have been inoculated to a false gospel see the truth of the Gospel (2 Corinthians 4:5)?
- 10. How and why do people discount the age to come? Why does the enemy try to make our focus in this world primary? Why should our focus be on where we are heading?
- 11. How was Jesus Christ made a little lower than the angels? How was He for a little while lower than the angels? Why did Jesus Christ humble himself and come to earth? What is His position now? What will be His position in the coming age? What will be our position in the coming age?
- 12. If Jesus Christ will be ruling in the coming age and we will be co-heirs with him, what will the angels be doing? How significant is it that angels will always be

- servants and will be ruling with Christ? How are human being created differently than any other order of creation? How significant is it that we were created in the image of God?
- 13. How do you underestimate the severity of your sin? What is your condition when you are born? What does it mean that you were born blind (2 Corinthians 4:4)? What does it mean that you were born dead (Ephesians 2:1-2)? What does it mean that you were born lost (Luke 15)? What does it mean that you were born wretched (Romans 7:24)?
- 14. Why is it imperative that a person understands his or her standing before Almighty God? Why is understanding you are blind, dead, lost and wretched such a foundational truth? How does understanding this reality lead you to the glorious reality of salvation in Christ?
- 15. Are you anchored to Christ? Do you have a personal relationship with the Lord? Share your testimony with your group.