

Setting Sail for a New Year!

Hebrews 2

¹So we must **listen very carefully** to the truth we have heard, or we may **drift away from it**. ²For the message God delivered through angels has always stood firm, and every violation of the law and every act of disobedience was punished. ³So what makes us think we can escape if we ignore this great salvation that was first announced by the Lord Jesus Himself and then delivered to us by those who heard Him speak? ⁴And God confirmed the message by giving signs and wonders and various miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever he chose. Hebrews 2:1-4

This New Year will be like a voyage on the ocean—opportunities, dangers, uncharted waters, heartaches, etc. The Writer is warning us of the Danger of drifting or aimless life and missing God's appointed _____!

Step One— Have a Fixed Direction for your life for 2018

¹So we must **listen very carefully** to the truth we have heard, or we may **drift away from it**. Hebrews 2:1
You need to have a fixed direction because DRIFTING comes _____.

>Drifting is a Default Fact! we may **drift away from it**
Drifting is caused by winds of the world, currents of our sin nature, tides of circumstances.
These forces are a constant pull, pulling us away from God.

>Drifting is a Deceptive Fact! **listen very carefully** to the truth

>Drifting is always a Dangerous Fact!
Rocks reefs shoals lost storms or very best fail to reach God's appointed harbors.

Your soul never drifts _____ God!

Write down some GOALS for 2018

- Goal Tests---
1. Can you pray and ask God to Bless this Goal?
 2. Does it create in you a spiritual excitement to see it accomplished?
 3. Does it demand the best in you?
 4. Does it touch every area of your life?

Step Two—Determined a Focused Discipline

³ So what makes us think we can escape if we **ignore** this **great salvation**. Hebrews 2:3

Our Great Salvation

Great in **Conception** (2) -- For the message **God delivered**

Great in **Confirmation** (3) -- ...first **announced by the Lord Jesus Himself** and then delivered to us by those who heard Him speak? And **God confirmed** the message by giving signs and wonders and various miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever He chose.

Great in **Cost** (9) — What we do see is Jesus, who for a little while was given a position “a little lower than the angels”; and because **He suffered death for us**, He is now “crowned with glory and honor.” Yes, by God's grace, **Jesus tasted death for everyone**.

Great in **Content** (11-12)—So now Jesus and the ones He makes holy have the same Father. That is why Jesus is not ashamed to call them His brothers and sisters. ¹² For He said to God, “I will proclaim your name to My brothers and sisters. I will praise You among Your assembled people.”

How Can We Escape if we Neglect or Ignore and Drift?

Step Three—Develop a Firm Devotion

This hope [anchor rope] is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary. ²⁰ Jesus has already gone [forerunner] in there for us. He has become our eternal High Priest in the order of Melchizedek. Hebrews 6:19-20

Jesus is the forerunner that has already gone into the harbor
and is pulling us along into the harbor!

Answers:

Harbors, Naturally, Toward

What's Happening at DLBC January

- Mon., 1st** Church office is closed until Jan. 3rd
No School until Jan. 8th
Student Ministry Spirit Night at Sonny's BBQ — All Day
- Wed., 3rd** Prayer and Soup Potluck at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Ezekiel Bible Study at 6:30 pm in the Faith room
Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Kids Ministry— at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area
- Sun., 7th** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am
Stewardship Meeting right after the service
Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Wed., 10th** Ezekiel Bible Study at 6:30 pm in the Faith room
Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Kids Ministry— at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area
- Fri., 12th** Student Ministry Hang Out from 6:30 pm—10:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Sun., 14th** Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am
Church Service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center
Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall
- Mon., 15th** Martin Luther King
Church office is closed
No School
- Wed., 17th** Ezekiel Bible Study at 6:30 pm in the Faith room
Youth Night at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Kids Ministry— at 6:30 pm upstairs in the children's area
- Sun., 21st** Blood Mobile 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Small Group - Bible Study at 8:30 am, 8:45 am, 9:00 am, 11:15 am
Church Service at 10:00 am in the Worship Center
Sunday Night Bible Study at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall