

Neglecting this Great Salvation

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Main Scriptures: Hebrews 2: 1-2

Support Scriptures: 1 John 1: 1; John 3: 16; Luke 9: 62; Titus 11; Hebrews 10: 38; 2 Peter 2:20; Romans 1: 16; Numbers 15: 30; Hebrews 3: 12-15; Luke 18: 8; James 2: 14-16; John 8: 32; John 14: 1-3; James 4: 8; Luke 21: 28 1 Thessalonians 5: 4

Notes:

Hebrews opens up that says long ago God spoke many times through the prophets and now he has spoken to the son. In the Book of Hebrews 1, it speaks of the supremacy of Christ. The one who is the superior to the prophets, the creator of the universe, the very glory of God himself tells us that he's the expressed image of God. He was superior to the angels and it is this revelation fo Jesus that places us into a position that the writer warns:

The greatest tragedy is to lose God and not miss him.

Be careful about what was delivered to us. It is a severe warning to those who have received the revelation of Jesus. It is the danger of neglecting this great salvation and drift away allowing the things we have received (the truth) to slip away.

We are called to listen more closely to the truth we have heard lest we drift away. It's impossible for one to escape if we neglect the great gift to mankind.

Contrary to what others may think, the gospel does not lessen our danger, it increases our danger. It will terribly intensify the soreness of the punishment for those who have neglected it. Pay attention to the things we have heard. John said in 1 John 1: 1 that which we have seen and heard

There is a demand on our lives to pay careful attention. Here is a great warning because many believe that perhaps its the open sin, like fornication and adultery that will place us in a position to be punished but here the writer is saying if the word spoken by angels was steadfast...how can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation spoken by the Lord. The good news that he so loved this world that he gave his only son that whoever believe in him will have everlasting life.

This world has a half hearted religion, but if it is the pearl of great price that means we have to sell out everything for Christ. The things of this world are glittering so brilliantly that men have neglected the truth that was delivered to us. I want each of us to know that the truth of God has supreme authority over our lives. You cant fight the truth it comes to save and deliver but we must pay careful attention to what was delivered to us. It s is a great salvation. We were nothing when Jesus found us. We were condemned to die but God loved us passionately that though we were not a people the light shone on us. A nation that sat in darkness but the light shone on us, how shall we escape so great a salvation that cost blood.

That is the sin at hand - to not pay careful attention to the things that were delivered to us. The church has become an occasion to many, a time to meet with friends but when we receive the gospel, God demands of us everything. (Luke 9: 62)

How can we escape the grace of God that appears to us (Titus 2: 11)

We live in a time that everyone gets excited about miracles but what we don't understand is that that miracle testifies against us if we don't pay careful attention to what he is saying to us.

Half hearted effort won't make it. The Son speaks saying no man having put his hand to the plow and looks man

Hebrews 10: 38; 2 Peter 2: 20

This salvation thing takes a daily, hourly effort seeking his cleansing power. This gospel must consume me where we want to see his power on earth not fixing my mind on my own agenda but paying attention

Romans 1: 16

Speaking to someone who has been taken away by the currents of this world, the gospel demands our attention .

Numbers 15: 30 - the judgement for the rebellious soul. Every sin of disobedience there was a specific judgement but the gospel has intensified it because the soul that neglects and rejects the gospel and not placed Jesus as priority has placed himself in a dangerous position. They won't be able to escape the judgement of God.

We see Jesus - the gift of God, God manifested in flesh, love revealed, the very thing mankind sought, God gave it as a gift to redeem us from the powers of darkness. This gift demands of us our total life, there is no other agenda, Christ must be number one.

If we don't have a focus on him we won't receive what the spirit is saying to us. The man who misses out is one who has not surrendered his mind to God. Life is his priority not knowing that life is Jesus, not the things that are happening around us.

Life was manifested towards us when the word became flesh. It's the sin of not paying attention to the things of God, the gospel and great salvation. It was blood that was shed for us. The Master was whipped with lead tips and pulled our flesh from his body and blood spewed out. If you were standing near you could smell the smell of blood, They brought him to an old rugged cross and pierced his hands and feet. You could smell it. Blood thirsty men. When they were not satisfied they pierced his side why? so we can receive such great salvation and be cleansed from our sins. What are you going to do with this great salvation? are you prepared to die for it or will we neglect it. the judgement is coming if we neglect it we won't escape but if we live for it and be prepared to die for it we will have peace with God and deliverance from death and hell.

When he comes will he find faith?

Jesus' word is steadfast we cant escape, we have to wake up and treat the things of God with diligence. The mission of God ought to consume our minds that we don't do anything without God leading us. The word of salvation was given by the Lord himself. Don't harden you hearts.

If you neglect the great salvation we cant escape because his judgement is sure.

We live in a time where the noise of this world is so loud that men are questioning their faith wondering if this message of Jesus is right. The judgement is near and up on us how shall we escape? It's not time to question your faith and drift back. It's time to double our efforts and trust in him. The answer is in Jesus! The world is confused because the coming of the Lord is at hand. The devil knows something will take place, are we prepared. The man who is ready is one who has oil in reserve, consistently storing up. Are you watching and paying attention and giving yourself to the ministry of Jesus not titles but doing what you believe. IF you have faith you will have works. Are we drifting away not recognizing the signs of the time are everywhere? We have to keep our focus on the Lamb of God.

I shall see him and not another. I am not looking for an angel, Im looking for the one who is greater than the angels. Wake up your redemption draws nigh. Time clock. Is striking the hour Jesus is about to appear. Not the time to carry a backslidden spirit. Repent and turn to him. If you call on him he will hear you. Draw nigh to him and He will draw nigh to us.