

We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. Hebrews 2:1 (NIV)

Read Hebrews 2:1-3:6 (You may choose to read the entire passage every day this week, or break it up in smaller parts and read it once over the course of the week.)

In Chapter 1, the author began his discussion of the supremacy of Christ by demonstrating that Jesus was greater than the angels. In this passage, the author continues in this vein by showing how Jesus is both greater than all men and the single greatest man to the Jews, Moses. Keep in mind how hearing that Christ is greater than men might have encouraged the persecuted Christians to whom this letter was written.

As you study this passage, think about God's plan for our salvation. Take to heart how God prepared His Son for the task of redeeming his people. Jesus is a suffering savior, who through many trials blazed a trail to glory for the rest of us to follow. He was triumphant because of who He is: more than being a servant in God's household, He is the Son who rules over all the household affairs.

Questions for the Week

1. How do you see Christians "drifting away" when they do not pay attention to what they have heard?
2. Why is it significant that Jesus can sympathize with our suffering?
3. How does this truth about Jesus affect your daily life?

Around the Table

Around the dinner table this week, with family or friends, discuss all that Jesus endured to bring us into God's family. What does his suffering mean to you? Have you learned something new about his commitment to us?

Memory Verse of the Week

Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

--Hebrews 2:18 (NIV)