

Most scholars agree that the book of Hebrews was written before AD 70. The letter teaches us about how Jesus is greater than anything that has come before Him. In Hebrews 2 the author continues to teach us that Jesus is greater than the angels. We learn that Jesus is the source of our salvation. No matter how glorious the angels are, they will never be able to offer us salvation. They are heavenly beings who cannot die. But Jesus took on the flesh of humanity and became our spotless offering on the cross to win our salvation. As we study Hebrews 2:1-9, think about your own salvation. Think about when you gave your life to Christ and radical life change that took place. If you have yet to place your life in Christ, look only to Jesus for salvation and you will find it.

- 1. Neal shared with us about a summer camp he preached at and a young man giving his life to Jesus. Share with your small group about your salvation event. Where were you at, who invited you, how did God draw you to Himself?
- 2. **Read Hebrews 2:1-4.** We are encouraged to be careful to not "drift away" from the faith. **Read 1 John 1:9, 2 Timothy 3:16, James 1:21-25, and 2 Peter 1:5-10.** Talk about what causes believers to drift away from the faith and how to combat that.
- 3. One of the reasons the author wrote this book was because people were drifting away from the faith because of persecution. **Read Acts 12:1-24.** Where do you see the church experiencing persecution right now?
- 4. In Hebrews 2:3 we read about *ignoring* this great salvation. **Read Jonah 1, Matthew 25:31-46, and James 1:22.** The repercussions for ignoring God are great. How can we help people obey the Lord and find this great salvation?
- 5. There are a number of spiritual ramifications for drifting away from the Lord. Take time as a group to talk about these ramifications. Then, talk about the benefits of following Jesus. (**Psalm 5:3, Psalm 119:11, John 4:24, 2 Corinthians 9:7**)
- 6. **Read Psalm 8.** The author is quoting King David who teaches us about the authority God has given mankind. What does this verse teach you about your role in creation? What does this verse teach you about how Jesus is greater than angels?
- 7. **Read Hebrews 2:9**. We may not see angels, but we do see Jesus. Share about a time when you saw Jesus at work in your life in the past week. It might have been through a neighbor, a friend, or the church.
- 8. Close your time in prayer. Pray for strength to invite a friend to meet Jesus.