



PASTOR BOB
January 28th, 2018



“From HOPE to NOPE?”
Guarding Against ‘Drift’
HEBREWS 2:1-4

- *Rock Stars, Pastors, and Charles Templeton*
- **WARNING!** “pay careful attention”

Forces of Drift

1. **WINDY** _____ EPHESIANS 4:14, 16
“I will either find a discrepancy; or I will make one.” ~LATIN MOTTO
2. **SELF-SERVING** _____ 1 CORINTHIANS 15:33; PROVERBS 13:20
“Show me your friends and I will show you your future.”
3. **SHORT-SIGHTED** _____ JAMES 1:13-15
Power, Pleasure, Prestige, Passivity

Fighting Drift...

1. **FOCUS on the** _____ vs. 1-3a
 2. **FOCUS on GOD’S** _____ vs. 4; PSALM 19:1-4
 3. **FOCUS on JESUS’** _____ vs. 3b; JOHN 6:67, 68
- HEBREWS 12:2

LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES
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GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. This week’s message focused on the warning against drifting away from Jesus and how to guard against it. Can you remember anything from the sermon that was helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.
2. How susceptible is anyone to drifting away from believing the Good News of Jesus? Explain.
3. What do you think are some causes (*forces of drift*) for people renouncing their faith even though they are not going through persecution?
4. How do you think focusing on Jesus keeps people from drifting? What keeps people from focusing on Jesus?

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading.

- **Read John 5:24.** According to Jesus, what is required for anyone to pass from death unto eternal life?
- **Read James 2:14-26.** What kind of belief/faith does not save? What kind of belief/faith is saving faith?
- **Read Hebrews 12:1-4.** What is a “witness” to the life of faith? Who is the originator of our faith? What place does perseverance/endurance have with regard to faith that saves?
- **Read Luke 15:11-32.** What is one application from the story that gives hope to anyone who might have walked away from the Father, and yet is still alive?

LIVING OUT

- **What difference can this make?**