

SERMON NOTES

Hebrews: Don't Give Up

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I. Introduction

- A. Canon means:
- B. Why is Hebrews an enigma?

II. Chapter 1

- A. ***Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,***
 - 1. In what ways has God spoken in the Old Testament?
 - 2. Not all scripture is of equal importance
- B. ***but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son,***
 - 1. The apex of God's communication
 - 2. Eight reasons why Christ is superior

III. Chapter 2

- A. ***Therefore, we must pay the most careful attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. ² For since the message spoken through angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, ³ how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation?***
 - 1. God's justice remains consistent from Genesis to Revelation
 - 2. How can we stand before the holy justice of God?
- B. ***see Jesus, who was made lower than the angels for a little while, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death. . . .so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone***

IV. The Reason for the Cross

- A. For God to be just, there had to be a cross
- B. For God to be merciful, there had to be a cross
- C. Don't Give Up!