



DON'T DRIFT

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Text: Hebrews 3:12-14



“Don’t Drift”

(Week 1)

Small Group Discussion Questions

Hebrews 3:12-14

FOCUS: Those who do life alone will drift toward danger without knowing it.

I. _____ For One Another

II. _____ One Another _____

III. The best defense against self-deceit is not _____
but _____.

SMALL TALK

1. Have you ever drifted? Where, how, when? (This is a totally open ended question.)

VIEWPOINT

2. **Read Hebrews 3:12-14.** If you can, compare translations. What is asked of us by the command this section opens with, translated as, “See to it” in the (NIV)?
3. What are the relational conditions that are necessary for anyone to be able to “watch out” for someone else’s heart condition (which is not talking about their emotions, but the health of their core being and believing)?
4. When we think of “drifting” we normally think of external circumstances causing the drift (wind, currents, culture, etc), but the verse suggests that the drift begins inside of us, in the “unbelieving heart” that “turns away”. How does one watch out for something that is hidden and inside of another person?
5. How is sin personified in Hebrews 3:13, and why is “encouraging one another” God’s prescription or antidote?

GETTING PERSONAL

6. Do you have anyone besides your own family that knows enough about you that they can “watch out” for you and your heart and faith?
7. If you don’t have a couple of believing brothers or sisters watching out for you, and a couple of brothers or sisters you are watching out for, what can you do to look for and develop one or two more?

MAKING PROGRESS

8. This series is working on one of our core statements, which is “Don’t Do Life Alone.” What do you think of the “GroupLink-Don’t Do Life Alone” event (January 28th) to start new Small Groups? Does a group that learns to “watch out for each other” and “encourage one another,” sound good to you?