

HEBREWS WARNINGS PROGRESSION

To neglect such a great salvation is more serious than to neglect the Law of Moses. The Law was given by God through angels, to Moses and then to the people. But the message of Christ was spoken directly by the Lord Jesus Himself. It was also confirmed to the early Christians by the Apostles with signs and wonders (He.2:3-4). The argument of neglect moves from the lesser to the greater. If those who broke the Law were punished, what will be the fate of those who neglect the message of the Son?

“How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation...” (He.2:3)

2
Pressure of UNBELIEF
(3:7—4:15)
 They were not willing to fully believe that Christ was better.

3
Pressure of TRADITION
(5:11—6:20)
 They were hanging onto the first principles of the old covenant of Judaism. Christianity would move them beyond the old principles.

4
Pressure of IMPATIENCE
(10:19-39)
 They expected to see promises fulfilled in this life. Hebrews 11 shows all these people who never saw the promises.

1
Pressure of NEGLECT
(2:1-4)
 The longer they neglected, the easier it became to continue to neglect.

5
Pressure of FEAR
(12:14-29)
 They were pressured from fear to turn away from Christ.

SEVERITY



The Law tells men what we must do.
 The gospel tells men what God has done.

By the Law is the knowledge of sin.
 By the Gospel is the knowledge of salvation.