

I. The Invitation is ______ to some – 11:25-26

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. 26 Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.

The first thing we need to see here is that these verses appear to be a ______.

A. I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,

Some translations use the word, _____ – "I praise You, Father,"

Note: Father is used ______ times in these verses (v. 25, 26, 27).

Lord -

B. that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent

What was hidden from the _____ and _____?

One author I was reading wrote, **"These things** (11:25) refer to the knowledge of Jesus' authority and _____, based on his teaching and miracles."

It has been said, "Arrogant _____ always alienates us from God."

C. and have revealed them to babes.

Everything that you and I understand about Scripture comes by ______ – it has been revealed to us by the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 18:3 - 3 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3 - Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

II. The Invitation is ______ to Others – 11:27

27 All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

A. All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father.

What are _____ things?

Read: John 12:49-50; John 6:37

Note: The word *"know"* here in this verse speaks of _____.

B. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.

John 1:18 - 18 No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

III. The Invitation is ______ to Everyone – 11:28-30

28 Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

A. Come to Me,

Are you aware that this is the New Testament invitation to everyone who ______ the gospel preached to them – Come to Jesus.

Dr. Billy Graham...

B. all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

There are a lot of people trying to ______ their salvation.

Ephesians 2:8–9 – 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

What _____ must we take? How can we experience salvation? We must take the following three steps:

1. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me,

"My yoke". What is a _____?

2. And learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,

How do we _____ from Jesus?

3. And you will find rest for your souls.

How many people want to find _____?

1 Thessalonians 5:23 – 23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole <u>spirit</u>, <u>soul</u>, and <u>body</u> be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Augustine penned, "Lord, Thou madest us for Thyself, and we can find no ______ till we find **rest** in Thee!"

Matthew 11:30, *My yoke is easy and My burden is light*.

Conclusion: So, what are the takeaway ______ for today? Here they are:

1. _____ is available to babes. These are those who have the faith of a small child.

2. All things from Jesus ______ from His Father.

- 3. Get to ______ Jesus and you will get to know the Father.
- 4. Come to Jesus Christ as you ______ and feel heavy ______, and He will provide you with rest.
- 5. ______ up to Christ and learn from Him.
- 6. Jesus Christ is ______ and lowly at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
- 7. His ______ is easy, and His ______ is light. Jesus doesn't load us up with responsibility that we cannot shoulder.