

Southside Baptist Church
Wednesday Night Worship – 10-5-22
Matthew Chapter 11 Part 5

1. Introduction:

a. Taking a look back:

1) Some applications we learned from Matthew 11:20-24

- a) Jesus reveals the connection to Light received and rejection and how that impacts one who is in hell.
- b) We discovered the connection of Light and responsibility for the believer. Luke 12
- c) We asked, what happen when the servant begins to think his master is not coming?
- d) Could Lot's life and testimony have made a difference in there being at least 10 righteous people in Sodom?

b. Taking a look ahead:

- 1) We will read some of Jesus' final words to the crowd along with an invitation to rest.
- 2) Text Matthew 11:25-30

2. The wise are blind but the babes can see. Matthew 11:25-27

a. Jesus makes know the Father:

1) Verse 25 –

2) Obvious question here, who is...

- a) **“wise and prudent”** –
- b) **“babes”** –

3) Two possibilities for the “wise and prudent” –

4) How is it that those who had been given such wisdom and insight still reject Jesus?

- a) Why the blindness? Their minds had grown hard and calloused.
- b) Their rejection had a profound impact on the Nation of Israel and the rejection of Jesus for many.

5) Application – What is the potential influence of a father?

6) Narrow down here the WHY of Jesus words –

b. To this problem, Jesus praises His Father: Matthew 11:26-27

1) Does it seem odd that Jesus praises His Father here?

2) **“all things are delivered unto me of my Father”** –

3) **“and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father”** –

4) **“neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him”** –

3. Jesus gives three commands/invitations here for us: Matthew 11:28-30

a. Do you see them?

1) **“Come”**; **“Take”** and **“Learn”**

b. Jesus said to **“Come”** to Him:

1) Who is He inviting?

- a) I think to the Jews but also to the Gentiles.

2) There are several other potential applications here as well:

c. Jesus said to “**Take**” His yoke upon you:

- 1) The imagery of the yoke is a heavy wooden harness –
- 2) It is possible that there are 3 potential “yokes” you can connect to:
 - a) The Law –
 - b) The World -
 - c) Jesus -

d. Jesus said, “**Learn**” of Me:

- 1) Before Christ – as sinners we think in the natural and reason in the natural.
- 2) After Christ – Learning and living out the truth of your faith, of the Spirit of God in your life along with many other key Biblical truths –

e. Jesus said, “**you shall find Rest unto your souls**”

- 1) Anyone looking for rest?
- 2) What is this rest?

f. The “**Rest**” that believers have today is in Jesus Christ:

- 1) Our rest, salvation, is in Jesus and we “**rest**” as we grow in our understanding of the finished work of Jesus and that our new identity is in Him.

- 2) Our identity in Christ is not based in our behavior but in our birth.

4. Tonight’s Take Away:

- a. Is it possible that there are “wise and prudent” within the church today who are like the Pharisee’s?
- b. As a believer have you responded to each of these invitations of Jesus?
 - 1) Have you come to Him by grace through faith?
 - 2) Have you taken His yoke? Are you walking with Him?
 - 3) Are you learning of Him? Are you growing in your faith and understanding?