

**Come!**  
**Matthew 11:25-30**

I. **Jesus' Prayer to His Father:**

- a. Jesus praises and thanks His **Father** for being the sovereign **Lord of heaven and earth**
  - i. Highlights that Jesus is God's Son (5 times)
- b. But WHY praise God if only a small remnant of people are being saved?
  - i. Because God is Sovereign in Salvation—vs. 25-27 (Man is also Responsible to Make a Decision—vs. 28-30)
- c. Biblical Truths to hold in TENSION:
  - i. **We are Born Spiritually D**\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Eph. 2:1)
  - ii. **Jesus' Call is to E**\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Rom. 10:9; John 3:16; 12:32; 1 Cor. 4:2)
  - iii. **God Must Act F**\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Eph. 2:4-5; Rom. 5:8; 1 Cor. 1; 1 John 4:19)
- d. God chooses to reveal His Gospel to some and keeps it **hidden** from others because **God is Sovereign in Salvation** (cf. Dan. 2:19-23; 1 Cor. 2:9-10, 14; Isa. 64:4; 65:17; 6:9-10; Matt. 13:14-16; John 12:37-40)
  - i. **wise and intelligent** = the proud scribes & Pharisees
  - ii. **infants** = those with humble childlike faith

II. **Jesus' Proclamations About Himself:**

- a. **Jesus Proclaims His A**\_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 28:18; cf. John 3:35; 17:2; Eph. 1:20-22, 1 Peter 3:22)
- b. **Jesus Proclaims His D**\_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 1:15-16; 2:9; cf. John 1:18; 17:25; 10:15-38; 1 John 2:23)
  - i. **know = epiginoskō (ἐπιγινώσκω)** = an intimate knowledge of experience
  - ii.
- c. **Jesus Proclaims His S**\_\_\_\_\_ (John 6:36-37, 40,

III. **Jesus' Plea for All to Come:**

- a. This is very similar to Jesus' Great Commission in Matthew 28:18
- b. **Jesus' Plea to Come be S**\_\_\_\_\_
  - i. God "wishes" but not "wills" that all men would be saved (Ezek. 33:11a; cf. Ezek. 18:32; 1 Tim. 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9)
    1. His Call is not for Ritual, but for Relationship!
    2. His Call is for you to Make a Decision to Come! (cf. Matt. 3:2; 4:17; Acts 2:38; 3:19; 5:31; 17:30; 20:21; 2 Tim. 2:25)
  - ii. His qualifier is that you must be **weary and heavy-laden**
    1. **weary = kopiaō (κοπιᾶω)** = "to labor to the point of utter exhaustion," "to be emotionally fatigued and discouraged," "to lose heart"
    2. The Jewish religious leaders had piled their works religion on the people's backs (cf. Matt. 9:12-13; 23:4; Acts 15:10; Rom. 7:10, 24-5)
    3. Everyone must come to the ends of themselves and their abilities, as in the Beatitudes (cf. Matt. 5:3-6)
  - iii. Jesus offers **rest = anapauō (ἀναπαύω)** = "to give rest, to be refreshed from tiredness."
    1. Peace WITH God!
- c. **Jesus' Plea to Come be D**\_\_\_\_\_
  - i. A **yoke** is a symbol of Submission and Discipleship
  - ii. Submission to Christ is not to be burdensome because we are indwelt and empowered by His Holy Spirit (cf. 1 John 5:3)
  - iii. **Easy = chrēstos (χρηστός)** = "well-fitting," "suitable," "pleasant."
    1. Peace OF God!