

**I. PRAISE & PLEAS** (Mt.11:16-19; see Lk.10:12-22)

- A. REJECTION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST & JESUS THE CHRIST** (Mt.11:16-19)
- B. CONDEMNATION OF REJECTING CITIES** (Mt.11:20-24 /Is23; Ezk26-28; Amos 1 /Mt4:13f; Gen18,19)
- C. JUSTIFICATION OF GOD FOR HIS HIDING & REVEALING** (Mt.11:25-27 /Rom.9:16f; Mt.13:10f)
- D. INVITATION TO ALL WHO KNOW THEIR NEED** (Mt.11:28-30,15; see 9:13; Rom.10:11,13)

**II. LESSONS FOR FAITH & LIFE**

- A. TWINS: SOVEREIGNTY & RESPONSIBILITY** (Mt.11:15-30; see Rom.9:16f & 10:11,13)
- B. JUST TO HIDE & MERCIFUL TO REVEAL** (Mt.11:25f; see Rom.9:14f,18;22,23)
- C. FAITH IS A GIFT** (Mt.11:25f; see 13:11,16; Eph.2:5f; 1Cor.1:12f; 2Tm.1:9)
- D. IDIOT SAVANTS & GENIUS UNBELIEVERS** (Mt.11:25f; see 13:16; 1Cor.1:27f)
- E. CONFESSION WITH THANKSGIVING & PRAISE!** (Mt.11:25f; see Rom.9-11⇒11:33-36; see Lk.10:21)
- F. ONE IN HIDING & REVEALING** (Mt.11:25f&27f; see 13:10f /by Spirit, Lk10:21; Jn16:14; 1Cor2:10f; 12:3)
- G. GREATER PRIVILEGE, GREATER RESPONSIBILITY** (Mt.11:20f /Lk.12:48; Heb.6:1-12; 10:26-31)
- H. WORSE THAN SODOM** (Mt.11:20-24; Rev.2,3; see Rev.19:15; 6:16)

**III. POINT: COME TO JESUS CHRIST!** (Mt.11:28-30; see Acts 2:26; Ezk.18:31; 33:11)

- A. WHO: WORN OUT & WORN DOWN** (Mt.11:28)
  - 1. by unrighteousness (Rom.6:21; Is.1:4f)
  - 2. by self-righteousness
    - a. the traditions of men (Col.2:16f; Mt.15:1f; Tt.1:14)
    - b. the Law of God (Rom.7:14f,24; 10:3e.g., Paul, Luther, etc.)
- B. WHY: CHRIST IS GENTLE & HUMBLE** (Mt.11:29; see 21:5; 1Cor.4:21; Col.3:12f; 1Th.2:7 & Phil.2:5f)
- C. WHAT: CHRIST'S YOKE OF DISCIPLESHIP IS A KIND & BEARABLE RELIEF** (Mt.11:28-30; see Rom.7:25f; 8:3f; Col.2:12; 3:9,10; 5f,12f)