

Messiah: Judge and Savior
Matthew 11:20-30

Introduction: Israel's privilege, sin, and judgment (Num 14:20-23, 1 Cor 10:1-12)

1. Messiah the Fierce Judge **(20-27)**

Judge Yahweh pronounces "woe" on nations and Israel (Ps 75:7, Is 4:4, Rev 8:13)

Judge Jesus pronounces "woe" to privileged cities (Jn 5:22-23, Mt 11:27)

Chorazin and Bethsaida vs. Tyre and Sidon (20-22)

Jesus' omniscience

Capernaum vs. Sodom?!?! (23-24)

Hebrews 6:4-6

Judgment begins in the household of God! (1 Pet 4:17)

to a church who is given much, much is required!

The judgment of hiding truth, withholding repentance (25a)

Praise God, sovereign grace reveals truth (25b-27)

2. Messiah the Gentle Savior **(28-30)**

Savior Yahweh (Is 43:11, Hos 13:4)

Savior Jesus' Invitation to rest (28-30)

a yoke is an instrument of submission

A heavy yoke – the commandments, sin, works

An easy yoke – the Person of Jesus Christ

a yoke means submission and discipleship

a yoke that brings rest

an easy yoke on a hard road

An invitation to all to find rest for your soul