

CALLING THOSE WHO WILL HEAR TO COME
(Matthew 11:25-30)

- I. HEARD through the Father's REVELATION (Matt. 11:25-26)
 - A. God is UNIQUELY the FATHER of Jesus
 - B. God is LORD of HEAVEN and EARTH
 - C. God has HIDDEN "these things" from the WISE and INTELLIGENT
 - 1. The way of salvation CANNOT be discovered by human INTELLECT or INVESTIGATION
 - 2. The SELF-RELIANT have no HOPE
 - D. God has REVEALED "these things" to "INFANTS"
 - 1. Salvation can be KNOWN only by REVELATION
 - 2. The Father has revealed the TRUTH only to the UTTERLY DEPENDANT (cf. 5:3)
 - E. The Father is WELL-PLEASED with this "WAY"
 - F. For this, Jesus says, "I PRAISE You"

- II. ADMINISTERED by the Son's AGENCY (Matt. 11:27)
 - A. Jesus is the DIVINE AGENT of the Father
 - B. Jesus is FULLY KNOWN by the Father

- C. Jesus KNOWS the Father INTIMATELY
- D. Jesus has sole AUTHORITY to REVEAL the Father to whom He WILLS

III. EXERCIZED at the Son's CALL (Matt. 11:28-30)

- A. The first COMMAND is to COME to HIM
 - 1. For those who are WORN OUT by the STRUGGLE
 - 2. For those who are CARRYING a HEAVY LOAD
- B. The second COMMAND is to TAKE UP His YOKE
 - 1. Expects LEARNING from HIM
 - 2. Expects cooperative EFFORT with HIM
- C. The first PROMISE is the contrasting NATURE of the effort
 - 1. Described as "EASY" and "LIGHT"
 - 2. Characterized as REST
- D. The second PROMISE is the contrasting QUALITY of the MASTER
 - 1. He is GENTLE and HUMBLE
 - 2. He provides QUIETNESS for the SOUL