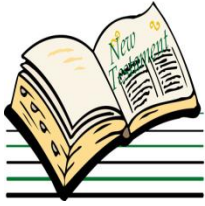


Sermon Notes



Title: "The Divine Perspective on Human Opposition"
Text: Matthew 11:25-30
Theme: Salvation is completely engineered by the LORD. But you are responsible and accountable before God to believe the Gospel. No one has an excuse for his or her resistance or opposition in rejecting the Gospel, especially since Jesus invites you to come.

- I. Jesus' Explanatory Prayer as to Why Some _____ and Others _____ the Gospel (25-27)
- II. Jesus' _____ for _____ to Come to Him (28-30)
- III. Applications
- A. The _____ of God does not cancel, negate, mitigate, or alleviate your _____ to _____ to Jesus when you hear the _____ of the Gospel.

- B. God's sovereignty is the _____ upon which your actions, choices, and decisions can only have _____.
- C. I am without an _____ if I do not believe and follow Jesus.

Next Week Read: Matthew 11:25-30 (again)

Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:

1. Why does Jesus thank (praise) the Father (v. 25)?
2. What title of address does Jesus use for His Father? What does this express (v. 25a)?
3. What has been hidden (v. 25b)?
4. From whom are such things hidden? Who are these people from whom such things are hidden (v. 25b)?
5. To whom are the things of God revealed? Who are these people (v. 25b)?
6. Why does God operate this way (v. 26)?
7. What is the basis for Jesus' claim about the way God operates (v. 27)?
8. What has the Father given to Jesus (v. 27a)?
9. What is Jesus' exclusive prerogative (v. 27c)?
10. What does this imply?
11. After detailing the absolute right of God to reveal Himself to whom He will, what does Jesus offer (v. 28)?
12. Who is called to come to Jesus (v. 28a)?
13. What does Christ give to such who come (v. 28b)? What does this mean?
14. What are those who come to Jesus to do (v. 29a)?
15. What is the result (v. 29b)?
16. How does Jesus describe this process (v. 30)?
17. What does it mean that God is sovereign? How do Christians often compromise this?
18. How obligated is God to save people?
19. What compels God to act?
20. Does God command something because it is right; or, is it right because God commands it?
21. How has the sovereignty of God impacted your life in practical ways?