#### **Read Matthew 11**

## 1. They were a generation with a spiritual hunger: (11:7-10)

How are people in our generation spiritually hungry? What were the people in John the Baptist day looking for? What did they expect from Jesus? What did they expect from John? Did they get what they expected? What do people typically do to satisfy their spiritual hunger? What do people look for when they go to church?

## 2. They were a generation with a great opportunity: (11:11-12)

What was the opportunity that the people of Jesus day had? What was unique about their place in history? Do we have the same opportunity? Do we have a greater opportunity? What is our unique place in history?

# 3. They were a generation that missed it: (11:16-19)

How is it possible for people to be so close to Jesus and John the Baptist and completely miss the message? In what ways do we miss what Jesus is saying? How do non-believers miss it? How do committed Christians miss it? Have there been any times in your life that you disregarded Jesus' instructions in word or in deed?

### 4. They were a generation condemned: (11:20-24)

What do you think Jesus means when he talks about judgment? What is the response that the world has to God's judgment? Have you ever experienced the judgment of God? What should our response be to the judgment of God? How should we talk to non-believers about the judgment of God?

# 5. Regular people can be delivered: (11:25-26)

What are the limits to whom Jesus is willing to deliver? Who is Jesus willing to reveal Himself to? What is Jesus talking about when he claims he has revealed "these things" to little children? How do we become like children?

### 6. Jesus has the power to deliver people: (11:27)

What is the relationship of Jesus and God? What is the nature of Jesus power? What can we learn from this?

#### 7. You can be delivered today: (11:28-30)

Is there anybody here today that needs to be delivered? What do you need to be delivered from? How can we pray for your deliverance? Who do you know that needs the easy yoke of Jesus? Can we pray for them right now?