

Warnings Against Criticism & Indifference

Matthew 11:16-24

(series #67)

Intro: the shift in Matthew's gospel in chapter 11

- I. **A Warning Against Criticism vv. 16-19**
 - A. The illustration of childishness vv. 16-17
 - B. Criticism of John's asceticism v. 18
 - C. Criticism of Jesus' socializing v. 19
 - D. Childishness vs. childlikeness
 - 1. 1st Corinthians 3:1-2; 14:20
 - 2. Hebrews 5:13-14
 - 3. 1st Thessalonians 5:21
- II. **A Warning Against Indifference vv. 20-24**
 - A. Matthew's introduction v. 20
 - compare Matthew 9:12-13
 - B. Woe against Chorazin & Bethsaida vv. 21-22
 - the contrast with Tyre and Sidon
 - C. Woe against Capernaum vv. 23-24
 - the contrast with Sodom

Conclusion: "To whom much is given, from him much will be required"