## Introduction

- 1. Isaiah 1:18
- 2. There are many invitations in the Bible
- 3. Come is used 1972 times in the Bible but not all of them are invitations Genesis 4:14
- 4. The idea of come here can be said many ways, and they are invitations of all kinds
- 5. Let us look at a few invitations in the Bible

## **II Discussion**

- 1. The first invitation is Noah Genesis 7:1
  - 1. The place of safety was in the boat Noah had to be within the ark to be saved 1 Peter 3:20
  - 2. Only in the church is salvation
    - Salvation in only in Christ Acts 4:12
    - He that believes and is baptized is saved Mark 16:15-16
    - The Lord adds the saved to the church Acts 2:47
    - Only in Christ are spiritual blessings Ephesians 1:3
    - Only in Christ are we new creatures 2 Corinthians 5:17
    - Only by being born again can we be in the kingdom of God John 3:3-5; Matthew 16:16-18
    - Only in Christ are we children of God Galatians 3:26-27
  - 3. Noah responded to this invitation Genesis 7:5; 6:22
    - a. Noah had faith and moved and it saved Hebrews 11:7
    - b. What will you do with the invitation to be saved? Mark 16:15-16
    - c. It is for all Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 3:23
    - d. If you will not respond death awaits you Romans 6:23; Revelation 21:8
- 2. The second invitation is Isaiah's invitation of study and cleansing Isaiah 1:18
  - 1. We are to reason together
    - Some did not like what God had said Isaiah 1:10
    - Some today do not like what God has said. Romans 1:21ff
    - God want to know Him John 8:32; 1 Timothy 2:4
  - 2. God want us to be cleansed from sin Isaiah 59:1-2 Acts 22:16; Revelation 1:5
    - We must believe Hebrews 11:6
    - We must repent Acts 17:30-31
    - We must confess Romans 10:10
    - We must be baptized 1 Peter 3:21; Acts 22:16
- 3. The Third invitation is Christ Matthew 11:28-30
  - 1. This invitation is for all, John 3:16; 1:12
  - 2. The invitation is for those who burdened with a heavy load Hebrews 10:22, 10; 8:12
  - 3. There is something we must do, learn of Him, 1 Timothy 2:4; John 6:68; 5:39

## III Conclusion

- 1. Sadly some reject this invitations of God John 5:40; Luke 14:15-24
- 2. When we reject the invitation we are judging ourselves unworthy of every lasting life Acts 13:46
- 3. Where are you, looking at the invitation of God, will you accept or reject
- 4. To accept the invitation is to have everlasting life Acts 20:32; Titus 1:2; 2 Peter 1:11; 1 Pewter 1:3-4

Sources: Thompson chain 1787 sermon preached 2011; Truth for Today commentary on Isaiah; Keys of the kingdom, sermon outlines on Matthew by Tom Holland