

Come To Me And I Will Give You Rest.

S.R. Mat.11:25-30 (Luk.10:21-24)

Jesus gave this personal invitation to those listening, knowing that the yoke of sin, the troubles of life and the rules of men who had rejected both the saviour and his messenger, had burdened His people. There are 3 main points in this passage; 1] The Father is revealed by the Son (V25-27), 2] the personal invitation of Christ (V28) and, 3] submit to Him (V29-30).

The Father Revealed By Christ.

25. Father hid these things from wise & intelligent, but revealed to babes! What things? Who are the wise & Intelligent?

1Co.1:19-28, Rom.1:14, Rom.16:25-27, Eph.1:9, Col.1:26, 1Tim.3:16, Mat.18:3

Christ is the full revelation of the gospel but the scribes Pharisees & Sadducees rejected Him! (Joh.11:48)

26-27. They had tried to know the Father through their own efforts, wisdom, intelligence, doctrines & precepts. They claimed to be of the Father, but missed the fact that they could not see Him because *Christ did not reveal Him* to them, only to those He chose! Mar.4:11, Mat.13:11, Joh.5:39-40, Joh.8:44.

The Personal Invitation of Christ!

28. ‘Come to Me...and I will give you rest.’

Here is the way that you & I can be free from the bondage of sin & the despair of guilt & shame. Joh.3:14-15, 8:12, (10:26), 12:32, 14:6-7(Mat.10:38, Mar.8:34)

Weary – labour; grow weary, toil with wearisome labour.

Heavy laden – Load heavily, overloaded with unwanted weight.

Rest – to cease from labour in order to recover strength, refresh, calm.

You and I must go to Jesus and only Jesus! He calls us! He will remove the things that we cannot. He promises to make everything better by helping us! Joh.10:4-5

Submit To Him!

29-30. Take My yoke. We are to TAKE it up. If we do not, there is no relief! A yoke is a symbol of bondage, a joining together. Everyone in this world is joined to one of two masters. Either to God or to Satan! Mat.6:24, Joshua 24:15.

To take up the yoke of Christ, means that we are to submit to him, but HE will be by our side to help us overcome the struggle against the power of sin in our lives!

Joh.3:36, 5:24, 6:53-56, 8:31-32, 8:34, 13:34-35, 14:23-24, 14:27, 16:7, 16:33.

When we are ‘yoked’ to the Lord our load is easy and when we stumble He will carry us all the way home! Satan on the other hand, will just leave you lying in the dirt.

Conclusion

Our Lord promises to give us rest for our souls if we submit to Him. How great is our God? *Amen!*