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JOHN 14:27

PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU, MY PEACE
I GIVE YOU. I DO GIVE TO YOU AS
THE WORLD GIVES. DO NOT LET
YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED AND DO
NOT BE AFRAID.

I PRAY THAT I HAVE SAID
SOMETHING THIS MORNING, FOR
US ALL TO THINK ABOUT, FOR
THIS CLASS HAS CHANGED MY
LIFE. FOR EACH MORNING WHEN
I WAKE UP I YOKE MYSELF
WITH CHRIST. A CHOICE I
MUST MAKE, & CAN EITHER
ACCEPT OR REJECT HIS YOKE.

→ WALK IN GRATITUDE (v. 12)—When we realize where all good
gifts originate, we live with thankfulness. Contentment and
joy come from a grateful heart, not our circumstances.

Life is busy, so prayer often gets squeezed out of our sched-
ules. We must always remember that lifting our loved ones
before God's throne is far more important than any other task.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR: Jeremiah 28-30

THE YOKE★ Matthew 11:28-30

Come to me, all you who are burdened and heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and you shall find rest unto your souls, for my yoke is easy and my Burden light.

Here Christ extends the invitation to come to Him. He waits with open arms. He doesn't force us.

He offers to give rest to the weary and heavy laden - Those loaded down and burdened with grief, worry, depression, illness, poverty - we could go on and on -

He asks us to take His yoke upon our shoulders.

- Let's talk about the yoke - - - #1 picture

A yoke is a wooden crossbeam - its purpose is to help carry or pull heavy objects by distributing the weight evenly.

The first yoke used for agriculture dates back to 4000 BC.

Some of these yokes can weigh up to 100 lbs.

Another name for a yoke is a Burden,
 - Chain, coupling, - enslavement, - control,
 The yoke is an emblem or token of
 Subjection, servitude, slavery, - bondage.
 It is something oppressive or burdensome

picture # 2

IN agriculture, 2 oxen or horses are
 yoked together to evenly distribute the load
 Sometimes an inexperienced animal
 is yoked to a seasoned animal to be
 broken in. ~~ENTRAINED~~ SUBMISSION

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Bits in horses mouth - Controls the whole animal
 guiding Stick -

Let's look at some verses in the Bible that
 mentions the yoke

IN Leviticus 26:13 we read --

"I Am the Lord your God, which brought you
 out of the land of Egypt, that you should not
 be their bondman, and I have broken the
 bands of your yoke, and made you
 go upright.

Jeremiah 28:2 - I will break the yoke of
 The King of Babylon from your necks.

The yoke symbolized captivity or slavery,
 Jeremiah taught the people that Judah
 and her surrounding Nations would be
 under the yoke of Babylon

Jeremiah 30:8 - IN That day, declares The Lord Almighty "I will break the yoke off their Necks and tear off their bands. No longer will foreigners enslave them.

Isaiah 10:27 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the burden shall be taken away from off thy Shoulder and his yoke from off thy Neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the Anointing.

- picture #3

We were born yoked to SIN -
Our lives are a series of burdens - We try to struggle alone with the load. - The load of fear, the yoke of doubt - The yoke of Anxiety, The yoke of depression - The yoke of worry - The yoke of Sinful pleasures.

Imagine for a moment that you are climbing a high mountain, carrying a heavy load and you are lost and in despair.

Imagine a stranger stopping you and saying "Let me carry that load for you and let me show you the way.

(This is CHRIST saying)

That is what Jesus does for us -
If we are yoked with Him, He will help us bear our Burden and He will lead us Home To The Father.

When we take His yoke upon us, we put it ON willingly and submit to His Will.

AS Jesus submitted to the Father, we must submit to Him ~~IN THE GARDEN GETHSEMANE, JESUS~~ ^{TOOK ON THE YOKE OF GOD} ~~WHEN HE SAID LET THIS CUP PASS FROM ME, BUT IT WILL BE DONE~~

① 1568 Read Matthew 26:36-45

Jesus prayed 3 times in the garden of Gethsemane - Each time He expressed His willingness to obey His Father's will - He yoked Himself with The Father

Jesus took on the yoke of our sins in the form of an Old Rugged Cross. And He broke that yoke by The Shedding of His Blood. ~~WHERE THE TIMBERS CROSS~~

When you surrender your will and Trust enough in Him to take His yoke upon you, He will lead you where He wants you to go.

Sometimes He will lead you through a wilderness of pain and Adversity - Sometimes to the point of death. ~~WE ASK'S US TO DRINK THE BITTER CUP, EVENTO POINT OF DEATH~~

Ad-LIB people who have died for the Faith - Christians persecuted (girl in School shooting)

As oxen^{WE} are yoked for work - God has work for us to do. Christianity is Not a Spectator Sport. You must GET 100% INVOLVED

Sometimes we have to be broken to be used by Him.

- Proverbs 3:12 For the Lord disciplines the one He loves like a Father disciplines His son

But He will also lead you down the narrow path that leads to eternal life - He will lead you through green pastures, He will lead you beside the still waters, He will lead you through the valley of the shadow of death.

He will lead you Home to PARADISE, TO THE LAND BEYOND THE STARS.

He says "Come and learn of me - STAY in the Word to see who He is and what is required of us. Any Boundaries He sets are for our protection and not to Restrict us.

John 10:10 - I have come that they may have Life, and may have it more abundantly

So take your Burdens to the Lord and leave them there.

Every morning when you awake - yoke yourself to Jesus Christ and you cannot stray.

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Read Psalm 16:11

When we are yoked with Jesus, He is our constant companion and wants to help us. - He is always by our side.

I Pray

JOHN 14:27

DEAN

READ IN UNISON MATTHEW 11:28-30
CONTOP OF PICTURE #1

READ BIBLE

TALK ABOUT JESUS IN THE GARDEN

NARROW RD. - WIDE ROAD

NON/BELIEVERS

Mold my Will into yours.

INSTEAD OF FOLLOWING / BE YOKED WITH HIM

PRAYER 8/24/23

FATHER, WE PRAY TODAY THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO BLESS OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS TODAY, TOMORROW & FOREVER. WE DO THANK YOU FOR ALL THE BLESSING THAT YOU BESTOW UPON US, WE DO ASK YOU TO BESTOW UPON THE ONES THAT ARE IN YOUR TOUCH OF HEALING, GRANT THEM YOUR PRESENCE OF PEACE, YOUR LOVE, & YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

FATHER, WE PRAY THAT WE WILL REALIZE WHERE ALL GOOD GIFTS ORIGINATE, LET US LIVE WITH THANKFULNESS, WHERE CONTENTMENT & JOY COMES FROM A GRATEFUL HEART, NOT OUR CIRCUMSTANCES. FATHER, LIFE IS SO BUSY, THAT PRAYER OFTEN GETS SQUEEZED OUT OF OUR SCHEDULE, KEEP REMINDING US THAT WE MUST ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT LIFTING OUR LOVED ONES BEFORE YOU GOD, IS FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANY OTHER TASK. FOR IT IS IN JESUS PRECIOUS & HOLY NAME WE DO PRAY THIS PRAYER AMEN

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JESUS, LEAD ME LEST I STRAY GENTLY LEAD
ME ALL THE WAY, I AM WEAK BUT THOU
ART STRONG SAVIOR, KEEP ME FROM ALL
WRONG.



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YOU DON'T NEED TO BEAR YOUR BURDEN'S ALONE,
TAKE THEM TO THE LORD AND LEAVE THEM THERE

