

**“Yoke Fellows of the Lord, Jesus Christ”**  
**Matthew 11:20-30**

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Scripture: Matthew 11:20-30

Text: Matthew 11:28-30

Introduction:

1. Here is an invitation to find rest
  - a. Quote text
2. What we find
  - a. Invitation
  - b. Why invited
  - c. How rest is to be found

I. Invitation

1. Always an interesting thing to receive
  - a. To parties
  - b. To assume responsibility
  - c. To receive honors
2. To whom given
  - a. Weak
    1. Yield to temptation
    2. Sick
    3. No power
  - b. Heavy laden – weighted down
    1. Sorrow
    2. Burdens
    3. Trouble
  - c. Generally these kind of people are not invited to a great enterprise
3. From whom invitation comes
  - a. John Hay inviting us
  - b. From Son of God
    1. One who loves
    2. One who can help

II. Why invited

1. Weak and heavy laden will find rest
2. There are different kinds of rest
  - a. Refusal to face issues of life
    1. No war
    2. Sit and rock in spite of all that goes on
    3. Not listen to radio
  - b. Refusal of responsibilities
    1. I would like to do this

2. Many would
3. Here is rest not surcease from facing issues of life or refusal of responsibility
4. Rest in spite of these things or if you please, because of these things.

### III. How we can have this rest

1. By taking a yoke
  - a. Emphasis upon take
    1. Many like invitation to “Come”
  - b. Take a yoke – surrender
    1. Surrender is law of life
    2. Business
    3. War work, Bob Kennington
    4. Military – order to unconditional surrender, Germany and Japan and Italy
    5. Italy can only find rest from war by unconditional surrender
  - c. We are to find rest by surrender
    1. Take a yoke other than our own
  - d. By assuming a task
    1. A yoke is for pulling a burden
2. My yoke
  - a. Not
    1. Slave driver
    2. Cruel task master
  - b. One who loves and cares
    1. Died to save us
  - c. If people would only realize that Christ desires people to be happy and have rest
    1. But so many think He wants to make them unhappy and discontented
  - d. It is His yoke
3. Yoke
  - a. It is a piece of harness
    1. Used to pull a load
    2. Christ would give a task
  - b. Notice how yoke is made
    1. Two loops
    2. Must be used by two
4. Find rest
  - a. He will pull on other side
  - b. Comes from equalizing task and power to perform task

### Conclusion:

1. Come take yoke
2. You who are weak, weary, tired
3. He will help
4. He will bring you rest