

**Sunday, January 21, 2024**  
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## “Yes to His Yoke”

Matthew 11:20-30

**Today’s BIG IDEA:**

***Submission to Christ is the only path to peace.***

**1. Jesus calls us to \_\_\_\_\_ of our sin** (v.20-24)

- *People in Colquitt County can reject Jesus just as much as those in Capernaum. And the result is the same.*

**2. Jesus calls us to \_\_\_\_\_ our need** (v.25-26)

*(Matthew 18:2-3)*

- *Before you can be saved by Jesus, you must realize you need salvation through Jesus.*

**3. Jesus calls us to \_\_\_\_\_ control** (v.27-30)

A. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ way to be

\_\_\_\_\_ (v.27)

*(John 14:6-7a)*

B. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ way to be

\_\_\_\_\_ (v.28-30)

*(Matthew 3:1-17; 14:3-4)*

- *When we can't carry the burden of righteousness on our own, we can trust in Jesus to carry it for us.*

“This is the gospel call; Whoever will, let him come. All who thus come will receive rest as Christ's gift, and obtain peace and comfort in their hearts. But in coming to him they must take his yoke, and submit to his authority. They must learn of him all things, as to their comfort and obedience. He accepts the willing servant, however imperfect the services. Here we may find rest for our souls, and here only.

Nor need we fear his yoke. His commandments are holy, just, and good. It requires self-denial, and exposes to difficulties, but this is abundantly repaid, even in this world, by inward peace and joy. **It is a yoke that is lined with love.** So powerful are the assistances he gives us, so suitable the encouragements, and so strong the consolations to be found in the way of duty, that we may truly say, it is a yoke of pleasantness.

The way of duty is the way of rest. The truths Christ teaches are such as we may venture our souls upon. Such is the Redeemer's mercy; and why should the labouring and burdened sinner seek for rest from any other quarter? Let us come to him daily, for deliverance from wrath and guilt, from sin and Satan, from all our cares, fears, and sorrows. But forced obedience, far from being easy and light, is a heavy burden. In vain do we draw near to Jesus with our lips, while the heart is far from him. Then come to Jesus to find rest for your souls.”

– **Matthew Henry, Concise Commentary**

## **APPLICATION QUESTIONS:**

1. Why is it so hard to repent? What steps can you take to be quicker to repent and follow Christ?
2. How has Jesus provided "rest" for your soul? How have you found him to be gentle and lowly?
3. Do you ever find yourself laboring under a yoke other than Jesus? How is the way of Jesus better?