




MATTHEW 11:25-30

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS


1 **Matthew 11:25-30 is a call for stressed and strained souls to find rest in God alone.** What were the stresses and strains in Christ's life? Think of the predominant responses to His ministry in Matthew 11. (See Matt. 11:2-3, 11:20-24)


 According to Matt 11:27, how did He respond to those stresses? What truths about the Father did Jesus Himself rest in?

 In what areas of your life would you say you are laboring or weary?


 How do the truths that Jesus knew about His Father give you comfort?


2 **Why does Jesus say the gospel is hidden from the “wise and learned”?** Read 1 Cor 1:18-2:2.


 Think back over the last few weeks. In what areas of your life could you be categorized as the wise and learned that Jesus mentions?


 What does it look like to receive the Word like “little children”?


3 **In Matthew 11, Jesus calls his followers to take His yoke upon them.** What is a yoke? How does Romans 6:17 point to the reality of a yoke in all our lives?

 How do Jesus' words “come to me” and “take up my yoke” help us understand the gospel?

 What kind of yokes do we carry? What are some of the burdens of your soul?

 Christ's burden is light, and his yoke is easy. What does that mean? See 1 John 5:2-4 for help.

 Using Matt 11:28-30, how would respond to someone that says the Christian life is burdensome?

 How have you experienced the rest that Christ gives us? What is it like?

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Christ describes himself as “gentle and lowly.” What does it mean to be gentle and lowly? How does Phil. 2:6-8 shed light on this?



How does the heart of Christ give us comfort when we think of his posture toward us?



What are some common misconceptions about God that this description confronts?

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What is unique about Christ? Trace His unmatched character through the following passages: Hebrews 2:14-18; 3:14-16; John 14:6; John 10:30; Col 1:19; 2 Cor. 5:21.



In your own words, use Matthew 11:28-30 to speak against the idea of works-righteousness.



Take time to rejoice in what makes Christ the only One who can reconcile us to God.