

### Rest Unto Your Souls • Matthew 11:28-30 – ye shall find rest • Jesus' words are always simple • Yet ... to the point • Matthew 6:9-13 – After this manner therefore ... • Short • Yet all that needs to be said is said • The condition we are in, what we need to do, what will happen when we do it

### Rest Unto Your Souls So many today try to make it more complicated The Gospel is not hard to understand Ephesians 3:3-5 – when ye read, ye can perceive Il Peter 3:14-16 – the ignorant and unstedfast wrest

# What Condition Are We In? • We labor and are heavy laden • Jesus wants all those that have burdens • Matthew 6:25-34 – be not anxious ... all these things will be added • Mark 4:14-20 – the cares of the world ... choke the word

## What Condition Are We In? Religious and secular leaders try to lay their own, or their invented burdens, on others Matthew 23:4 – they themselves will not move them

What Condition Are We In?

The main issue is the burden of sin and our weak attempts to cast it off

Romans 7:22-25 – I ... serve ... the law of sin

Galatians 5:1 – be not entangled

I Peter 1:6 – put to grief in manifold trials

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### What Do We Need To Do? Come unto me This requires action Many feel we need to do nothing The "Unconditional Election" of the Calvinist doctrine

## What Do We Need To Do? Come unto me Jesus gave us work to do Luke 14:25-33 – cometh unto me ... bear his own cross ... count the cost John 6:44-45 – taught of God ... heard ... learned Hebrews 11:6 – cometh to God ... seek after him

## What Do We Need To Do? Take my yoke upon you Acts 15:10 – we were [not] able to bear Galatians 5:1 – be not entangled again ITimothy 6:1 – under the yoke

What Do We Need To Do?

Take my yoke upon you

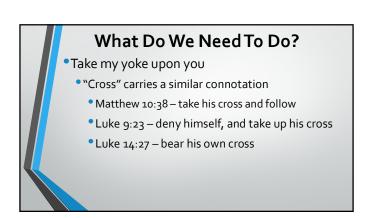
Why use this mostly negative term?

Greek word carries the idea of a pair or a team

Therefore, not inherently negative

Teamwork or striving together

# What Do We Need To Do? Take my yoke upon you Jesus did not promise a life of ease and luxury Duty and striving for a common goal Il Timothy 3:12 – suffer persecution Il Corinthians 4:16-18 – light affliction



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### What Do We Need To Do?

- Take my yoke upon you
  - "Cross" carries a similar connotation
    - Something we are supposed to DO
    - We are to choose to take up the cross
      - Not laid upon us
    - Jesus got the choice
      - •John 10:17-18 I lay it down of myself

### What Do We Need To Do?

- Learn of me
  - Luke 24:47 preached in his name
  - Matthew 28:18-20 teaching them to observe
  - •II Timothy 2:2 commit thou to faithful men
  - II Timothy 2:15 handling aright the word of truth

### What Will Be The Result?

- Rest to your soul
  - Acts 2:26-27 rest in hope (KJV)
  - II Thessalonians 1:6-10 rest with us
  - Hebrews 3:13-4:11 give diligence to enter into that rest
  - Revelation 14:13 rest from their labors

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- •I Peter 5:6-7 "Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you."
- Revelation 21:22-22:5 they shall reign for ever and ever

### What Must I Do To Be Saved?

- Hear the Word of God
- Romans 10:8
- Believe in that Word
  - Romans 10:11
- Repent of your sins
  - Acts 3:19
- Confess that Jesus is the Son of God
  - I John 4:15
- Be immersed in water (baptized)
  - Acts 2:38

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