

Two Person Lift Required!

(Matthew 11: 28-30)

'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.' (Matthew 11: 28-30)



The good news is that Jesus promises to all who come to Him that He will give them rest from the heavy burden of trying to earn our way into heaven and rest from the oppressive yoke of self-righteousness and legalism.

Jesus encourages those who are "heavy laden" to take His yoke upon them, and in so doing they will find rest for their souls.

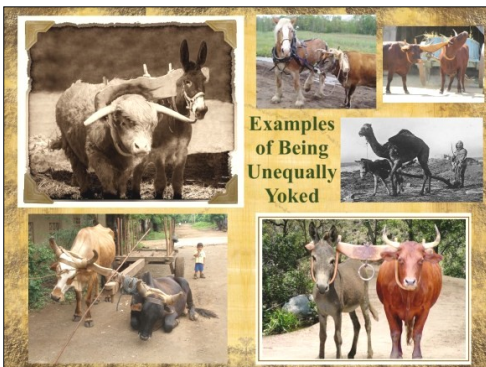


The yoke of Jesus is light and easy to carry because it is the yoke of repentance and faith followed by a singular commitment to follow Him.

Bullocks played a large part in the history of our area. Mostly they worked in pairs and teams to together move large loads before tractors and trucks. Side by side they would shoulder their burden. And this is the concept Jesus is calling us to.

Jesus humbly yokes himself to us. And he bears most of the weight, if we let him. That's why his yoke is easy.

A life lived by faith is a much lighter yoke and a much easier burden to carry. A burden shared is a burden halved and much lighter.



But at times it may be that Jesus yoke is not easy or light. This could be for one of two reasons. What we are carrying may simply not be the Lord's yoke. Or we are deliberately disobeying the Lord and doing our own thing. Maybe we need just to stop and ask God.

The solution is easy:
Let go and let God guide us.

