

Series: Great Gospel Invitations  
"Come to Me" # 3  
Matt. 11:27-30  
3-25 Sun AM

Verse 27 states that the Father reveals Himself to the Son, and the Son reveals Himself and the Father to those who are willing to come to the Son in faith.

Salvation is the sovereign work of God [v. 27] and yet the free offer to all [vs. 28-30]. The sinner must hear, come [believe], understanding his lostness. They will not come unless they understand they are lost and thirsty.

**TT-** I see three commands or imperatives that summarize this invitation by Jesus to come to Him and be saved. Please not 3 verbs that give us these 3 commands.

**I. "Come unto me" [v. 28].**

The Pharisees all said "Do!" and tried to make the people follow Moses and the traditions. But true salvation is found only in a Person, Jesus Christ "unto me."

Here Jesus contrasts himself with the Pharisees. This invitation is open to those who are exhausted and burdened down. That is exactly how the people felt under the yoke of pharisaical legalism weighed down in sin and legalism.

**Matt. 23:23-24**, Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. (24) Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

**Acts 15:10**, Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

Salvation is not by works but by grace through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ alone. The object of our faith is not in a church, confirmation, christening, creed, clergy, sacraments or human work, but Christ.

**Eph. 2:8-9** For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: (9) Not of works, lest any man should boast.

**Titus 3:5-7** (5) Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; (6) Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior; (7) That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

"I will give you rest" [v. 28c], speaks of spiritual rest from the fruitless effort to please God by works or the law. Salvation is not by our doing but His doing. Apart from belief in Jesus men cannot be approved by God or please God.

We have a permanent rest in the grace of God. This rest is a gift that is not earned or merited.

**Gal. 2:16** Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

**Gal. 2:21** I do not frustrate [nullify] the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

I. **"Come unto me" [v. 28].**

II. **"Take my yoke" [v. 29a, 30].**

When we come to Christ by faith, He gives us rest. Now we move from salvation to surrender, obedience, and service as we take His yoke and learn.

First is "peace with God."

**Rom. 5:1** Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Second is "the peace of God"

**Phil 4:6-8** Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. (7) And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. (8) Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

To "take a yoke" in that day meant to become a disciple or a believer in Jesus. When we submit to Christ, we are yoked to Him and with Him. We submit to His will as Lord and Savior.

The word "easy" means "well-fitting"; He has just the yoke that is tailor-made for our lives and needs. The burden of doing His will is not a heavy one

**1 John 5:3** Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him. (2) By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. (3) For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not **grievous**.

**I. “Come unto me” [v. 28].**

**II. “Take my yoke” [v. 29a, 30].**

**III. “Learn of me” [v. 29b].**

The first two commands represent a time of crisis as we come and yield to Christ understanding we were spiritually bankrupt bound in our sin.

This last command deals with the process of sanctification. As we **learn** more about Him and of Him, we find a deeper peace, because we trust Him more. Life is simplified and unified around the person of Christ.

Keeping our eyes of Jesus is what keeps our life and focus on center in a world gone wrong.

This invitation is for “all” including you today! If you are broken, and thirsty, then come, take, and learn!