"Be Like Jesus: Yoking with Jesus (3)"

(Matthew 11:28-30)

Previous Messages: Knowing our Identity in Christ, and Devoting to Jesus' and our Life Mission

- I. Two-fold Invitation of Jesus (Matthew 11:28-30)
 - A. Invitation to Rest from Burden of Sin (John 4: 13-14; 7:37-38)
 - **B. Invitation to Rest by "Taking His Yoke"**
- II. Surrender and "Be Like Jesus" (Matthew 11:29): To Yoke with Jesus is to Surrender to His Lordship
 - A. "Gentle" = "Meek" (cf. Matthew 5:5)

The Meek Rule their Own Spirits

- Jesus: Strong and Courageous, yet Gentle and Meek (cf. Matthew 12:3-5; 12:18-21)
- Jesus: Possessing Supreme Honor, yet Remained Obscure (Matthew 12:18-21; 21:5)

His Yoke is indeed Easy for those who Yoke with Him

- B. "Humble" = "Lowly"/"Poor" (Matthew 18:3-4)
- Jesus was Poor, because He Voluntarily Submitted Himself to God the Father and Chose to become Poor for us (Philippians 2:5-8)

To Be Like Jesus, Followers of Christ must be Willing to Give up their Rights by Self-Denial, and Surrendering to their Lord; Is it Hard? Yes, but it is Liberating!

Reflection

By Becoming More like Jesus, You can Experience Rest in your Soul...

Isn't that what We are Ultimately Looking for Deep Down Inside?

"像耶稣! 与耶稣同负一軛 (3)"

(马太福音 11:28-30)

前两次信息:认识我们在基督里的身份,以及专著于主耶稣和我们的人生使命

- **Ⅰ.** 耶稣的双重邀请 (馬太福音 11:28-30)
 - A. 罪的重担中而得安息的邀请 (約翰福音 4:13-14; 7:37-38)
 - B.从 "与他同负一軛" 而得安息的邀请
- Ⅱ 降服和 "像耶稣" (馬太福音 11:29): 与耶稣同负一軛, 就是降服于他为主宰
 - A. "柔和": "温顺、温柔" (参考: 馬太福音 5:5)

温和的人管制他们自己的心灵

- 耶稣: 坚强、而有胆气, 却柔和、温顺 (参考: 馬太福音 12:3-5)
- 耶稣: 拥有无上的尊荣, 却情愿默默无名 (馬太福音 12:18-21; 21:5) 对那些与他同负一軛的人来说, 他的軛真是容易、轻省的
- B. "谦卑": "低下、贫穷" (馬太福音 18:3-4)

耶稣的贫穷是因为他自愿顺服天父,为我们的缘故选择贫穷 (腓立比書 2:5-8) 要像耶稣,基督的门徒必须舍己、降服于他们的主,来放弃他们的权利; 难做吗? 难! 但是却可以使你得到释放!

反思

当你越来越像耶稣,你就可以经历心靈的安息…这岂不是我们心底深处最终要寻找的吗?