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## The Power Of Invitation: I Will Give You Rest

A Means Of Worship And Way To Experience Our Best Life In Christ

1. Rest Is A Gift From God.

Biblical Rest Isn't Contingent On What's Happening In Our Life, But On The Giver Of Life

2. Rest is Worshipping God.

<u>Matthew 11:25-27</u> - At that time Jesus prayed this prayer: "O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike. <sup>26</sup> Yes, Father, it pleased you to do it this way! <sup>27</sup> "My Father has entrusted everything to me. No one truly knows the Son except the Father, and no one truly knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him."

<u>1 Corinthians 1:19-20</u> - As the Scriptures say, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise and discard the intelligence of the intelligent." <sup>20</sup> So where does this leave the philosophers, the scholars, and the world's brilliant debaters? God has made the wisdom of this world look foolish.

<u>James 4:6</u> - And he gives grace generously. As the Scriptures say, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

- 1. For Hiding The Weightiness Of His Words And Power From The Wise And Learned.
- 2. For Revealing His Truths And Miracles To The Childlike.

<u>Matthew 11:28-30</u> - ... "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light."

Jesus Invites All Who Are Tired Of Being Tired

- 1. "Come."
- 2. "Take."

## We Find Rest In A Deeper Surrender And Obedience

**1 John 5:3** - Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome.

3. "Let Me Teach You."

Jesus' Yoke Produces Fruitful Service

<u>**Jeremiah 31:25**</u> - For I have given rest to the weary and joy to the sorrowing.

- 1) Find Refreshment In A Relationship With Jesus.
- 2) Freedom From Guilt Over Sin.
- 3) Deliverance From Fear And Hopelessness.
- 4) Comfort And Direction From The Holy Spirit.