



**Come To Me Weary – Text: Matthew 11:28-30**

**INVITATION:** Matthew 11:28a

- 1) **An ANCIENT INVITATION:** Isaiah 55:3, 6–7
- 2) **A DIVINE DESIRE for INTIMATE FELLOWSHIP:** Revelation 3:20

**QUALIFICATION:** Matthew 11:28ab

- 1) **You have to be TIRED:** Psalm 46:10; Isaiah 64:4
- 2) **You have to be OVERWHELMED:** Psalm 55:22
- 3) **You have to be a SINNER:** Mark 2:17. See also: 1 Timothy 1:15
- 4) **You have to recognize you're SPIRITUALLY POOR:** Matthew 5:3
- 5) **You have to stop TRUSTING in YOURSELF:** Proverbs 3:5–6

**ORIENTATION (GOD'S HEART TOWARD US):** Matthew 11:29c

- 1) **God doesn't NEED YOU (or anyone else) – SO, He's not trying to USE YOU:** Acts 17:24–25
- 2) **God LOVES (delights in / wants / treasures) YOU:** John 3:16. See also: Isaiah 62:5; Zephaniah 3:17; Romans 5:8; 1 John 4:9
- 3) **God REJOICES in SAVING YOU:** Luke 15:7
- 4) **God does NOT CONDEMN us; instead, He pours out GRACE and MERCY upon US:** Hebrews 4:15–16 See also: Rom. 8:1; Heb. 2:17–18
- 5) **God DELIGHTS to do GOOD to YOU:** Luke 12:32. See also: Jeremiah 32:41; Lamentations 3:25
- 6) **God ACTS to SERVE YOU:** Mark 10:45. See: Luke 12:37; 2 Cor. 8:9
- 7) **God NEVER GETS TIRED or FAILS TO UNDERSTAND YOU:** Is. 40:28

**CONDITION:** Matthew 11:29ab

- 1) **RECOGNIZE why you're TIRED and OVERWHELMED:** Jeremiah 6:16
- 2) **DIE to SELF and FOLLOW Him:** Mark 8:34b
- 3) **LEAN on and LEARN from the Good Shepherd:** Psalm 23:1–3

**BENEFACTION (Blessing):**

- 1) **PHYSICAL, EMOTIONAL and PSYCHOLOGICAL REST:** Matthew 11:28; 12:8. See also: Isaiah 55:2; Philippians 4:6–7
- 2) **SPIRITUAL REST:** Matthew 11:29
  - a) **SATISFACTION and RENEWAL:** Jeremiah 31:25
  - b) **STRENGTH for LIFE and MISSION:** Isaiah 40:29–31
- 3) **A CLEAR DIRECTION and a SHARED BURDEN in a LIFE-GIVING RELATIONSHIP:** Matthew 11:30
  - a) **Man-made RELIGION BURDENS us:** Matthew 23:2a, 4
  - b) **God-gifted RELATIONSHIP FREES us:** 1 John 5:3

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**“Gospel In Life” questions for REFLECTION & APPLICATION**

- 1) **BELIEVE:** WHAT TRUTHS did God REVEAL to me through His Word today about HIM and/or MYSELF?
- 2) **ASSESS:** HOW do these truths ENCOURAGE and/or CHALLENGE (convict) ME?
- 3) **PROCESS:** WHY is this message GOOD NEWS (GOSPEL) to ME today? (CONNECT the GOSPEL story to MY present story)
- 4) **CHANGE:** WHERE will I APPLY (BELIEVE, REPENT, DO) this message in MY own life this week?
- 5) **PROCLAIM:** WHO does God want ME to share these truths with?
- 6) **PREPARE for NEXT WEEK:** Read John 4:14; 7:37–39



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