<u>Title</u>: The Yoke of Christ <u>Text</u>: (Matt 11:28-30)

Christianity is a Paradoxical Truth.

<u>The Point</u>: Victory Through Submission to Christ.

I. <u>The Offer in the Parable</u>

A. <u>The Person of Salvation</u> = *Jesus*

But we have to choose!!! (Rom 3:22) He knows what it's like to walk in our shoes. (Heb 4:15-16)

B. The Problem for Salvation

Human effort is pointless. We do not work our way to heaven. Sin is a terrible task master. Sin is a terrible load to carry. (Rom 6:20-23)

C. <u>The Promise in Salvation</u>: "Rest".

- 1. Grace in the Salvation is in the word "Give".
- 2. "Rest" typifies, the Peace OF God!

II. The Command of the Parable - (Vs 29)

A. The Source of the Command - Jesus

- 1. The one that loved us first: (1 Jn 4:19)
- 2. The one that gave Himself for me: (1 Pet 3:18)

B. The Service in the Command - YOKE

- 1. First the Submission in Service
 - a. Christ's Yoke is submission to His control.
 - b. Christ's Yoke is submission to Him as our Ruler.
 - c. Christ's yoke is submission to Service (Romans 6:12-19, 22) *Yielding*

(Matt 6:24) *TAKE UP HIS CROSS, and follow me.* There is no Crown with out the Yoke. There is no Blessing with out the Service. There is no Favor without the Responsibility.

- 2. Second The Sacrifice in Service
- 3. Third The Sweat in the Service
 - a. The First typifies Salvation,
 - b. The Second typifies Service,

III. The Character in the Parable

- A. <u>The Master of the Yoke</u> "MY" it belongs to Christ.
 - 1. He was Lowly in His Upbringing:
 - 2. <u>He was Humble in His Ministry</u>:
 - 3. <u>He Suffered abuse at the Hands of Sinners</u>: (1 Pet 2:20)(1 Pet 3:14)(1 Pet 4:15-16, 19)
- B. The Reward of the Yoke: "rest unto your souls."
- C. The Manner of His Yoke: "Easy"
- D. The Work of His Yoke: (2 Cor 4:17)
- E. The Weight of His Yoke: "my burden is Light"

IV. <u>The Compensation in the Parable</u>: "Learn of Me"

- A. The Promise for the learning: to the Industrious.
- B. The Person in the Learning: "Of ME"
 - 1. Christ will be our teacher: (John 16:13)
 - 2. Christ is also the Subject Matter: (Jn 15:26)