

**Series: Victory In Jesus** (10/15/17)

**Title:** Victory Through Submission:

**Text:** (Matt 11:25-29)

***Victory In Jesus:***

Salvation: Victory over the Penalty of Sin.

Separation: Victory over the Presence of Sin.

Submission: Victory over the Power of Sin.

***1st Necessary Decision:***

When I was saved, God saved my soul.

When I was saved, I was saved out of Necessity:  
I had a need.

God delivered me from the Penalty of Sin-Death/Hell

I got saved, when I ***“Willed”*** to be saved. (I Chose to)  
I got Saved when I was ***“Willing”*** to be Saved!

***Illus: Informed Consent:*** It is permission granted in  
the knowledge of the possible consequences:

Typically given by a patient to a doctor for treatment  
with full knowledge of the possible risks and benefits.

***God will not GO against OUR Free Will.***

God will sometimes change OUR circumstances  
to make US Freely Willing to GO.

(Matt 11:25-27)

***We all want to know God’s WILL for our life.***

You cannot “Will” to know the Father’s Will.

You cannot MAKE God reveal it to you when its  
convenient for you.

You cannot MAKE God change His will to fit OURS.

To know the Father’s WILL, you ***Cannot*** have a Will  
of your own, that takes precedence over His Will

***2nd Necessary Decision:*** To Deliver Myself, from  
“My-Self WILL”.

Did you know you are born with a Selfish Nature?  
***Not Sure?*** Turn & ask the person sitting next to you

Selfish Nature means: My Self Interest trumps all.  
(I.E.) *We Do What We Want To Do When We Want To.*  
(I.E): I don’t always do what’s best for me.

***3 Groups of People:***

1. What’s Mine is Mine, & you Can’t Have it!
2. What’s Your’s is Mine, & I Want It!
3. What’s Mine is Your’s if It will Help you.

*We battle between 1 & 3.*

To Operate Successfully in Society we all must  
Respect Authority.

*Illus: When we a kid throwing a fit at the store, & the parent throwing a barrage go No's at them.  
NO, No, No, No, NO!, Oh alright, & We shout UGH!  
You want to Scream!*

*You are growing a BRAT-morphs into a Winey adult,  
who doesn't realize their an adult until an Adult  
crashes their world!*

***Children, Your's included has a Selfish Nature!***

Babies Love their parents Naturally.

Babies Lean upon their Parents Naturally.

Babies Learn: Either to be Submissive or they will be  
Self Willed Naturally.

*Illus: We were raising a child we didn't like!  
When they can get us to give them what they want,  
when they want it, WHO is in CHARGE?*

All children are born with a "Will" that has to be  
broken, or they will grow up to not respect authority.

We all want to know the WILL of GOD, but we don't  
like to admit that WE all have a Self-WILL.

We MUST 1st Deal with our Self-WILL so we can  
know His WILL.

We Submit OUR "WILL" to HIS "WILL" before God  
can Perfect His "WILL" in US.

*Illus: I grew up the sitcom "Who's the Boss?"  
Widower, "Tony" Micelli: former baseball player.  
Forced to retire due to a shoulder injury.*

Wanted to move out of Brooklyn to find a better  
environment for his daughter, Samantha.

He ends up taking a job in upscale Fairfield,  
Connecticut, as a live-in housekeeper for a  
divorced advertising executive Angela Bower  
and her son Jonathan.

The was clear role reversal of the two lead actors,  
where a woman was the breadwinner & a man  
stayed at home and took care of the house.

For 8 Seasons, we laughed at the tension created as  
the 2 lead actors went back & forth vying to see  
who would actually be in charge.

Our Problem is we live in the constant tension of the  
Roll Reversal of Our Self-WILL submitting to  
God's WILL!

***Our Self-WILL is used to being the BOSS!***

The Problem is: It's difficult to live like this.

Our Self WILL is impossible to Satisfy.

Our service to God is done in our Own Strength.

Serving our Savior: It's Easy & Satisfying.  
Because It is done in His Strength.

We have to Submit to God's WILL as the Authority in our lives to receive the Promise of Victory over the Controlling Power of Sin.

**(Matt 11:28-30) Jesus Shows us how:**

**(Vs 28) Come unto me**, Christ is the one calling to us (John 12:32) *And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.*

(Rev 3:20) *Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, & open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.*  
***The Choice is ours to answer His Call.***

*Illus: Witnessing to Atheist. I don't believe that a loving God would send someone to hell.*

*If you were God, WHY Would you want to spend eternity with someone who hates you?*

God did everything for us to be Saved, & We told Him to get lost. All god says to that is , OK.

***The Choice is ours to answer His Call.***

***All that come to Him are Secure In Christ***

(John 6:37) *All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.*

(Matt 11: 28) *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*

(Vs 29) *ye shall find rest unto your souls.*

*Illus: We can relate, do you ever repeat yourself to your kids?*

***Anytime Jesus repeats Himself, its worth noting.***

**(Vs 28) Come unto me, all ye that labour**

**The promise is to those that are Laboring:**

Rest: Not Relaxation, or taking of ease.

*Illus: A person floundering in the middle of a lake. He is laboring b/c he knows he is drowning. He is Laboring to Save Himself.*

**The Lost person is never at Rest:**

He is laboring to somehow Save Himself.

**Religion of Works is a Burdensome Yoke:**

(Act 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?*

**Paul called it Bondage:**

(Gal 5:1) *Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.*

**(Vs 28) Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden,**

Man made religion places a heavy burden on men & gives no rest. (No Guarantees)

**The Saved, But Self Willed Christian is never at Rest Either:**

**Because they are trying to Serve God:**

*According to their Self Will.*

*How often does God do things the Way you want?*

*How many people would be alive by 5pm if He did?*

**The Saved, But Self Willed Christian is never at Rest Because they are trying to Serve God:**

**According to their own Convenience.**

*How often does God do things on Your Time Table?*

*Illus: My kids would our family to open a 7/11.*

*(Men's Vice Store)*

God is not a 7/11. He is not here for our Convenience

God is not open 24hrs/7days a week just for us.

**The Saved, But Self Willed Christian is never at Rest Because they are trying to Serve God:**

***According to their Own Power!***

*How often does God move the Mountain for you?*

*Illus: I live in neighborhood with people who have allot of Education, Affluence, Really Cool Jobs.*

*Out Walking their dog, Picking up Dog Poop!*

*The Irony Kills Me!*

*6-8 yrs of College Education.*

*High Ranking Officers.*

*Security Clearance.*

*Seen & Done Incredible things.*

*Being led around by a 3lb dog, & picking up it poop!*

***This is how a Self Willed Christian lives.***

We want The God of the Universe, The Great & Terrible God, Creator Omnipotent to follow us around where ever we want him to go & when we are done doing our business, clean up the Mess!

***Well were so cute like Peek-a-poo.***

*No No we're not.*

**(Vs 28) Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.**

**Peace With God in Salvation:** (Heb 4:9-11)

**REST~ Refreshment: A cold Drink on a Hot Day!**

Not a Rest FROM the Work of God, but a **Rest IN** the Work of God.

As a Self-WILLED Servant of God, we get weary **IN** the Work, but Not **OF** the Work!

**Remember: Busy-ness is not Holy-ness**

God's Rest is not Inactivity, BUT the Harmonious working of our body, soul, & spirit with His Spirit.

This Rest is Satisfying @ promotes Growth in Christ.

**(Matt 11:29) Take my yoke upon you,**

It's not **OUR** Yoke;

It's not a **Man-made** Yoke (Pastor, Denomination)

It's **HIS** Yoke! - It's Jesus's Yoke.

**The Yoke is a Symbol of Authority.**

To take the Yoke, we must be Submissive to Christ.

**We must YIELD to the His Authority.**

***I don't lose my WILL; I Give My WILL to Jesus!***

(Rom 6:12-14) We have a Choice

(Rom 6:16-18) Yielding to Christ Frees Us!

**Explain a Yoke: Couples 2 things together.**

*2 Oxen, OK*

*OX & Horse, No Bueno!*

*2 different Animals.*

*2 different Temperaments.*

*2 Different ways of doing things.*

*2 Different Strides.*

*3 Legged Race with a child. Huge Steps.*

*Like walking w/Sara.*

*Shuffle along like a stroke survivor.*

It's **HIS** Yoke! - It's Jesus's Yoke.

**Christ's Yoke is not imparted to us to carry alone.**

***We Share Christ's Yoke with HIM!***

He is right next to us the entire time.

**We got into the Yoke when we were Saved.**

***We have Peace with God in Salvation.***

We cannot Get out of the Yoke.

**The Problem with a living a Self Willed Life is...**

***If you try & Pull in your own direction, it will chafe.***

There is a constant Agitation.

There is no Rest from the chaffing.

You Can be saved, & DENY His yoke & have No rest

**Submission is a Conscience Choice to put ourselves under Christ's Authority:**

**Before we were Saved,**

We were yoked to Satan by our Fleshly SelfWill and False Religion.

There was no Chafing because we were going in the same direction at the World's Pace to satisfying of our Flesh!

**(Matt 11:29) Take my yoke upon you, & learn of me**  
**Christ's Yoke is not imparted to us to carry alone.**

***We Share Christ's Yoke with HIM!***

If I give Christ ALL of ME, I get ALL of HIM!

*Illus: Add a 1 to a bunch of 00000000's = 1 Million*

***Now you Got Something!***

**He got your soul at Salvation & He Saved It.**

Now Christ Wants your SELF-WILL

**(Matt 11:29) *Take my yoke upon you, & learn of me***  
**for (because) I am meek and lowly in heart:**

(Heb 4:14-16) He knows what it is like to be us.

**and ye shall find rest unto your souls.**

(Phil 4:6-9)

***We Have the Peace of God in Surrender***

**(Matt 11:30) For (because) my yoke *is* easy,**  
**and my burden is light.**

It's carried by Him With You.

Its all carried by His Power For You.

All we have to do is answer His call to Take it.

Submit Our Self-Will to His Will.

And we will have REST!