

Aug 24/25 - "Gentleness"

Matt 11:28-30, 23:1-12; James 1:19-25

Small Group Questions

1. Jesus' invitation in Matt 11 is for those who are tired. What are some of the reasons our world/culture is tired right now? What about in Jesus' day?
2. Why does Jesus use the imagery of a yoke in inviting people to come to him? What does the 'yoke' imagery represent?
3. Why does Jewish practice put the Shema ("The Lord our God, the Lord is one") first, before any of the other commandments? What are the implications of that?
4. Why is Jesus' yoke different than the yoke that other rabbis taught?
5. The Greek word "praus" (Eng: gentleness, meekness) has several different elements to it. What are some of those? Did any of them stand out to you? Why?
6. How is Jesus' yoke 'easy'?