

"THE YOKE OF RABBI JESUS"

1. Look up Isaiah 55:1-3 and Exodus 33:12-14. How does each connect with Matthew 11:28-30?

2. What are some negative ways the Bible uses the image of a yoke (Deuteronomy 28:48, 1 Kings 12:14, Lamentations 1:14, Numbers 25:1-3, 2 Corinthians 6:14)?

3. What are some positive uses of the yoke imagery in relation to God's Law and Commandments, Wisdom, and God's Kingdom?

4. What does it mean to come under the Yoke of Torah?

5. How did Jesus equate Himself with the "Law" of God? What did He mean by doing this?

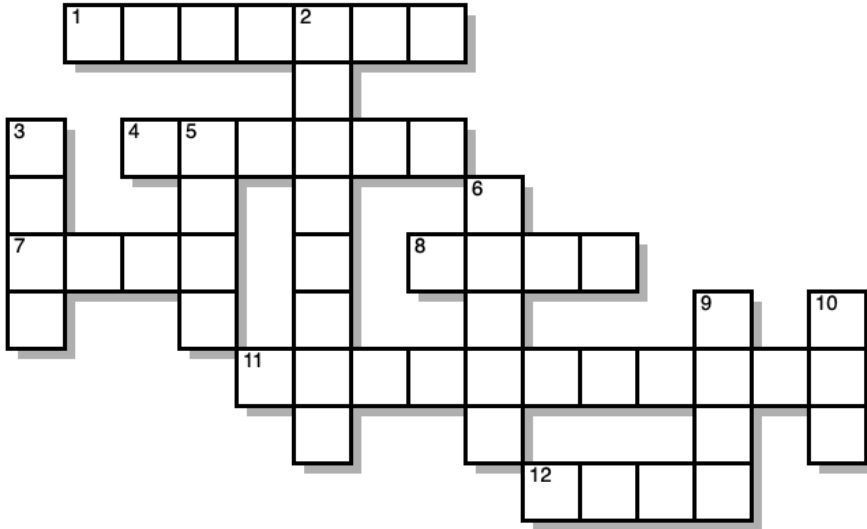
6. Who were the Samaritans? Why was there such animosity between them and Jews?

7. Why does the text say Jesus "had to go" through Samaria, when (from a geographical perspective, He clearly didn't)?

8. What would Jesus' disciples have thought of the route to Galilee that Jesus chose? What would they have thought of Jesus' command for them to go and buy food from them? What was Jesus trying to teach them in doing so?

9. Why did the Samaritan woman come to this particular well? Why at this time?

10. What are some examples you can think of where sin promised fulfilment, but left you or someone else isolated and spiritually thirsty? How does yoking yourself with Jesus quench that thirst?

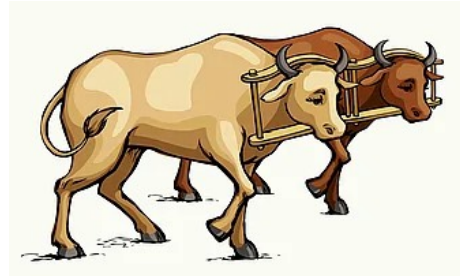


Down

- 2 In 1 Kings 12:14 the evil King _____ told his people, "My father made your yoke heavy; I will make it even heavier".
- 3 In Isaiah 55:1-3, God invites His people, saying "_____ to Me".
- 5 This apparatus is used to bring two animals together for the purpose of completing a task.
- 6 Jesus claims connection to God's promise of life-giving _____.
- 9 What does Jesus offer to those who are weary and heavy-laden?
- 10 All we need to do to be connected with Christ's life-giving presence is to do this (John 4).

Across

- 1 In what region did Jesus meet the woman at the well (John 4)
- 4 Outside what city did Jesus meet the woman at the well (John 4)?
- 7 "Come, buy wine and _____ without money and without cost." (Isaiah 55:1)
- 8 "So Israel yoked himself to Baal of Peor. And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel."(Numbers 25:3)
- 11 For what partnership has righteousness with _____? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? (2 Corinthians 6:14)
- 12 In Hebrew, what does the term "remez" mean?



WORD SEARCH:

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| come | oxen |
| weary | burden |
| yoke | Law |
| gentle | Jacob |
| humble | woman |
| rest | Bible |
| souls | cost |
| easy | wisdom |
| light | Kingdom |
| hint | marriage |
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