

In the yoke you pull with your mind. You work with your hands.

Jesus was yoked to the scripture about Himself. We are God's word in motion.

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

29 **Take my yoke upon you**, and **learn of me**; for I am **meek and lowly in heart**: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Verse 29 is talking about pulling the load with Jesus. The key to success in this part of our life is - don't fight it but be **meek and lowly in heart**. You perform this in your mind. This is the rest. The load we are pulling is the truth of His word. We are taking His Word to this world in different places. Our trouble is - getting it there. It's a tough pull sometimes. We get weary and faint in heart. But we do not do this alone.

The reason His yoke is easy is - He is in the yoke with us - pulling the most. We can slack off and let Him keep the pace. It is His timing that frustrates us. We just need to show up and get in His yoke. He will make us look good cruising at His speed. He takes pleasure in what He can do when a believer is yoked to Him believing the promise.

I was asked by a great man, Pastor Don Cox, to speak in Milford, Ohio Sunday evening. On our way there, we got into the Express Lane on I 275, going east on the north side of Cincinnati. Two minutes after making that determination all traffic in this one lane stopped. A concrete wall was on one side and a safety steel girder wall on the other side. I remember the moment. My mind kept pulling to get to church but nothing moved. I was in His yoke - going to church - at His speed.

I watched people get out of their vehicle, stretch as tall as they could to find the source. My mind was pulling on the yoke. Then I saw how vain I was. This is supposed to be easy. I was out of control. I quit pulling and relaxed. I became meek. I released everything into His Hands. He would work everything out whatever it was.

I don't know how long we sat there but later the traffic started to move. We got to church two minutes late. We had a great service. I told them my experience getting there. A friend of mine, the song leader, told me he had been in the same traffic and called the church to say he would be late. They told him Bro. Friend was on his way to speak. He told them to call and tell him not to take the express lane. Too late. I was already on it. We were both stopped in the same traffic not knowing it. We were both in the yoke with Jesus pulling toward church. We told our story in church. My friend stated the basis for the stall was a Taxi had a flat tire. It is amazing what your mind can assume in a time like that. The next time I will remember the yoke and make it easy.

The yoke we take on us is His Word. Our faith continues in that yoke until we have arrived. We pull believing God will not fail. We can become well experienced at this. When you become good at something it is easy to do. It just flows. When yoked to God's Word we become a good believer. The toil is pleasant. The yoke is easy and the burden light. God's Word cannot fail. **How easy can it get.** We are yoked to the success of His word.

The key is to want what God wants. Give God what He wants. I delight to do thy will O God - should be our slogan. Start your day yoked in a scripture. It will make your day easy and your burden light. Everything takes time. Allow enough time to do the will of God. Plan your day around it. When you get up in the morning get in the yoke. Stay yoked to the Word and move at His pace.