



Complete

Which Yoke Are You Wearing?

Colossians 1:19-23

Christ's Purpose:

1. The Father **IN HIM** - The fullness of deity to dwell in Him

Psalm 16:11

You will make known to me the path of life; in your presence is fullness of joy; on your right hand there are pleasures forever.

Where is real pleasure found?

Creation: it was good

Man: it was very good

Christ: This is my Son in whom I am well pleased

Reconciliation: It pleased the Lord to crush Him

Us: God is pleased to dwell among us

- Dwell Among
 - Adam & Eve: walked with - Gen. 3:8
 - Tabernacle - Exodus 40:34
 - Solomon's Temple - 1 Kings 8:10-11
- Dwell In
 - In Christ the fullness of God
 - a full and permanent dwelling
 - Christ in us - Ephesians 3:17

2. The Father **THROUGH HIM** - The reconciliation of all things through Him

reconcile – *apokatállássō* - restoration of a relationship of peace which has been disturbed

Reconciliation: Yoke Principle - Romans 6:4-7

a. Me yoked to sin

b. Christ yoked to sin

Leviticus 26:13

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt so that you would not be their slaves, and I broke the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect.

2 Corinthians 5:21

He made Him who know no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Numbers 19:2

Speak to the sons of Israel that they bring you an unblemished red heifer in which is no defect and on which a yoke has never been placed.

Hebrews 9:13-14

For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

c. Me yoked with Christ

Matthew 11:28-30

Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

3 Things about Yokes:

1. A yoke is head to head
 - a. Mind of Christ - 1 Corinthians 2:16
 - b. Renewed Mind - Romans 12:2
2. A yoke is intimate - Jn.15:4
3. A yoke reveals Lordship
 - Right: John 13:15
 - Wrong: Ephesians 4:20

Galatians 5:1 It was freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.



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