Matthew 11:29, 30 Ps. #'s: 376, 247, 357, 338 Introduction

- I. Our focus as we being a new year must be Christ.
- II. The Lord Jesus Christ provides beautiful and fitting guidance for this new year.

Taking Christ's Easy Yoke

I. The Meaning

A. Christ is the yoke. He uses a figure of speech to teach us about Himself.

B. In this new year, Jesus calls us, "Take my yoke upon you." What is He calling us to do?

II. The Manner

A. Jesus calls us to take this yoke in this way: "and learn of me..."

B. What is particularly revealed about Him in the text is that He is meek and lowly in heart.

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III. The Blessing

A. In Him we find rest for our souls. May our eyes be fixed on this in the new year.

B. Having this rest, we also have great joy in Him. A yoke that is easy and burden that is light gives great joy.