Lighten the Load

Cracked – Part 2

"COME to me, all you who are weary and <u>burdened</u>, and I will give you rest. TAKE my yoke upon you and LEARN from me, for I am <u>gentle and humble</u> in heart, and you will <u>find rest for your souls</u>. For my yoke is easy and <u>my burden</u> <u>is light</u>." Matthew 11:28-29 (NIV)

1) Connect with Jesus.

"Come to ME, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." vs. 28 (NIV)

"...you will find rest for your souls." vs. 29b (NIV)

How to connect:

My <u>prayers</u> His <u>Word</u> Other <u>believers</u> Repeat <u>daily</u> (1 Peter 5:7) (Ps. 119:105) (Galatians 6:2) (John 15:5)

2) Give up control.

"Take my yoke upon you...For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." vs. 29a, 30 (NIV)

A yoke symbolizes: $\frac{\text{Partnership}}{(Ps.55:22)}$ and $\frac{\text{Submission}}{(Gal. 5:25)}$

3) <u>Learn</u> from Jesus.

"...LEARN from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart." vs. 29b (NIV)

Causes of stress: Aggression and Arrogance

"Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him." Psalm 62:1 (NIV)