**LINCOLN COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH**

**SERMON OUTLINE**

 **July 4th, 2021**

**Matthew 11:28**

**RECAP:** Last week we looked at the three statements of Christ found in verse 27. A statement of His granted authority, a statement of His internal knowledge, and a statement of external revelation.

**THESIS: Christ mercifully offers rest to troubled and burdened souls.**

**EXEGESIS: Matthew 11:28**

* **“Come!”** This word only shows up a few times in the GNT, because here it’s meant to be urgent! This is an immediate and precise call from Christ. Come now!
* **“The wearied ones.”** This word basically means “labor, hard work,” but it’s almost always used in the connotation of being tired or exhausted because of your work. **Matt. 6:28-29, Luke 5:5.**
* **“Those having been burdened.”** It is a passive participle, meaning this is a people who have had a burdened pushed on them, not a people doing the burdening themselves. **Luke 11:45-46.**
* While the lawyers and Pharisees have most definitely made it much worse, but that burden has existed ever since the Mosiac Law was put into place. **Romans 5:19-21.**
* **“And I will give you rest.”** The theology of God’s “rest” isn’t just a simple plea, but something traced all the way back to Genesis 2. **Hebrews 4:1-11** understands this concept as the joy of the Kingdom.
* Jesus can make this statement of general calling to all men right after also implying He alone grants access to the Father. “Many are called, but few are chosen,” **Matt**. **22:14.**

**CONCLUSION:**

* **There is no need to be weary and toil to be righteous for God’s sake.**
* **Lay your guilt and discouragement at His feet.**