

The Red-Letter Words of Yeshua ~ Part 102

Ministry from Galilee to Judea ~ Part 3

In our last post, we began our series on **Ministry from Galilee to Judea**. In this post, we continue to explore that topic by learning that **Yeshua Rejoices in the Father's Will**.

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²¹ **At that moment, He was filled with joy by the Ruach HaKodesh and said, "Father, Lord of heaven and earth, I thank you because you concealed these things from the sophisticated and educated yet revealed them to young people. Yes, Father, I thank you that it pleased you to do this.**

Lord of heaven and earth is a title emphasizing **God's** authority over all creation (compare Acts 17:24–26). **Young people** likely refer to **Yeshua's talmidim**, indicating newer **Believers** rather than age. (Compare Matt 10:42.)

²² **"My Father has handed over everything to me. Indeed, no one fully knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."**²³ Then, turning to the talmidim, He said, privately, **"How blessed are the eyes that see what you are seeing!"**²⁴ **Indeed, I tell you that many prophets and kings wanted to see the things you are seeing but did not see them, and to hear the things you are hearing but did not hear them."** ¹

To see the things you are seeing. For centuries, the righteous among **God's** people desired to see **God's Kingdom's** arrival.

Rest for the Weary

²⁸ **"Come to me, all of you who are struggling and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me because I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."**²

Yokes were heavy; wooden crossbars were used to connect two oxen for more efficient plowing. Here, **Yeshua's** yoke represents His teaching. Allegiance to Him and His kingdom results in a sense of peace - it is not laborious, like keeping the requirements of the **Jewish** leaders of the time, but joyful. **My burden is light** in contrast to the burdens imposed by Israel's religious leaders (compare Matt 23:4).

In our next post, we examine the **Parable of the Good Samaritan**.

¹ Luke 10:21–24.

² Mattityahu 11:28–30.