

**Break the Yoke
Part Three
Newport News Campus
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Opening

- vbji.org (upcoming fundraiser April 13th...)
- VUP...what a great worship night!
- new order of service
- series launch...there's a reason you'll never see a yoke on a Musk Ox!

Introduction

-Isaiah 10:27 KJV

-Isaiah 10:27 NASB (preach...musk ox slides reference)

-Luke 4:18...we certainly believe this!

-Acts 10:38

-How much time have we spent in our lives regarding certain struggles pleading with God to deliver us when His response to us all along has been, grow out of it!

-Psalm 27:13...I believe this!!

-Deuteronomy 29:29

...and I believe there will never be the fullness of Psalm 27:13 realized in our lives until we embrace Deuteronomy 29:29 and become Isaiah 10:27...fat!!!!

-(mention Pathways being our spiritual fatty foods!)

Yokes

-Acts 26:14

- A long stick with a pointed end...
- Image is a person “yoked” and being directed by God

-Whenever you accept a yoke, you are accepting both a direction and an influence, a destination and a master.

-Matthew 11:28-30

- “yoke” is a Rabbi’s interpretation of the Law
- An easy yoke means Jesus’ expectations are reasonable
- “burden” is the same word for a ship’s cargo
- A light burden means you were created to carry it

Hophni and Phinehas

-1 Samuel 2:12-14

- Peace offering process explained...
- How the Hophni and Phinehas knew which houses...
- The fork...
- Later the demand... (they became more emboldened)
- Temptation is gradual!!!
- Both priest and person forbidden to keep another’s portion

-Leviticus 3:16b-17

- Never fat or just fat of a sacrifice?
- Hophni and Phinehas taking people’s portion AND The Lord’s!!!!
- Isaiah 10:27 (prophetic play on words...one fat given another fat gained)

-Stewardship and Generosity

- Are you keeping a portion that God intends for you to give to another?
- Are you keeping a portion that God intends for you to give to Him?

Band

-Proverbs 6:16-19 (example of context defining seriousness of sin)

-1 Samuel 2:12,17,22

-Are you living your life with a fork in the pot?

-Am I yoked with debt and lack because the spiritual fatty foods of stewardship and generosity are missing from my spiritual diet?

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