

I. JESUS INVITES THE WEARY & BURDENED TO COME TO HIM. (Matt. 11:25-30)

"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."



1. The Yoke of the Law of Moses.

"Why are you putting God to the test by placing upon the neck of the disciples a yoke which neither our forefathers nor we have been able to bear?"

Acts 15:4



2. The Yoke of the Oral Law.

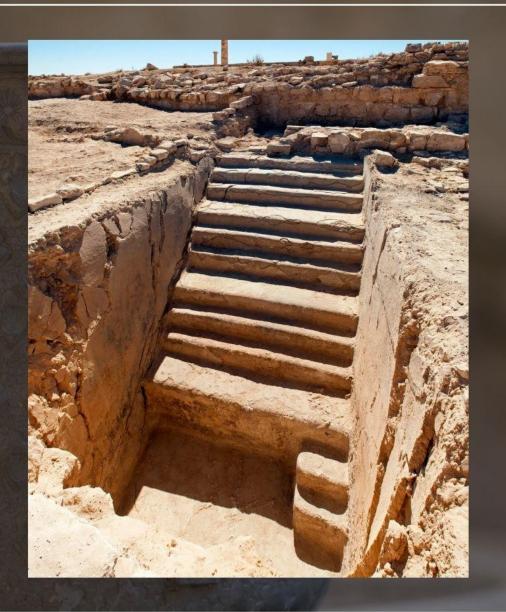
"They tie up burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but they themselves are unwilling to move them with so much as a finger."

Matthew 23:4

- Ritual Hand washing
- Ritual Immersion



Hand washing station at the Western Wall



Discussion over the amount of water.

§ 1:1 - [A minimum of] a quarter [of a log] of water must be poured over the hands for one [person] and even for two. A minimum of half a log must be poured over the hands for three or four persons. A minimum of one log [is sufficient] for five, ten, or one hundred persons.

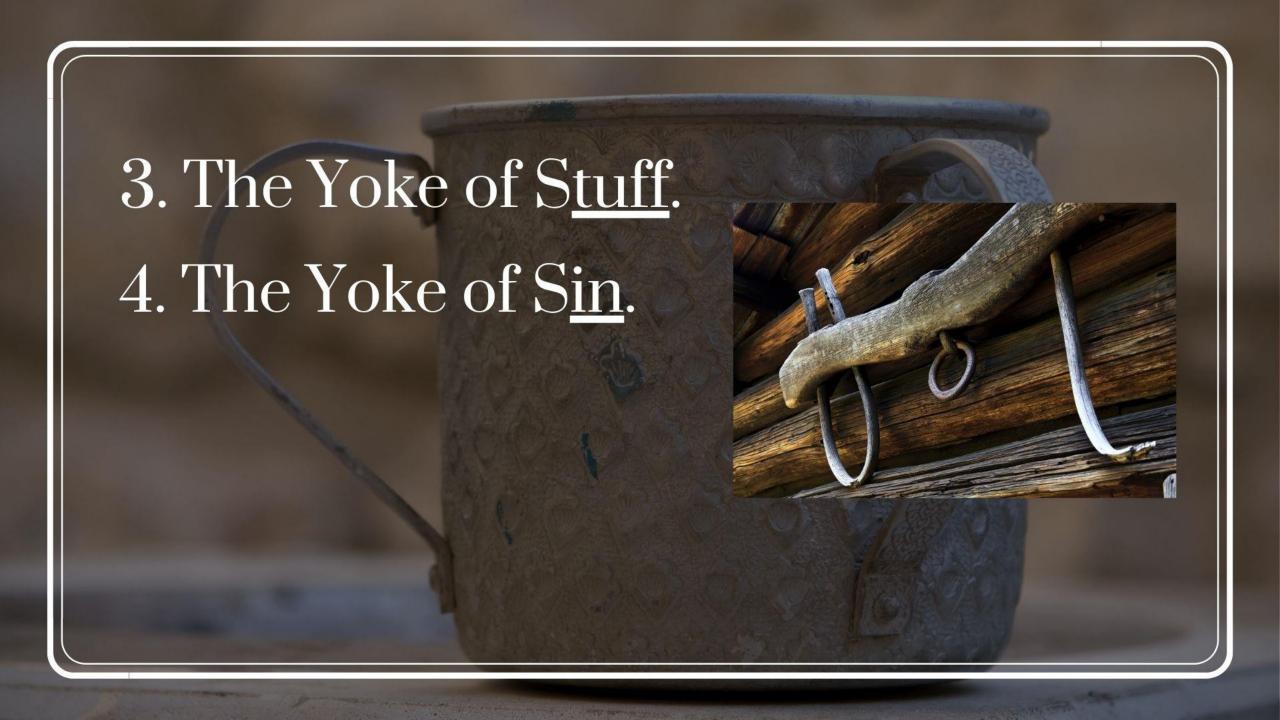
BLESSED ARE YOU, LORD OUR GOD, RULER OF THE UNIVERSE, WHO HAS SANCTIFIED US WITH YOUR COMMANDMENTS AND COMMANDED US REGARDING HAND - WASHING.

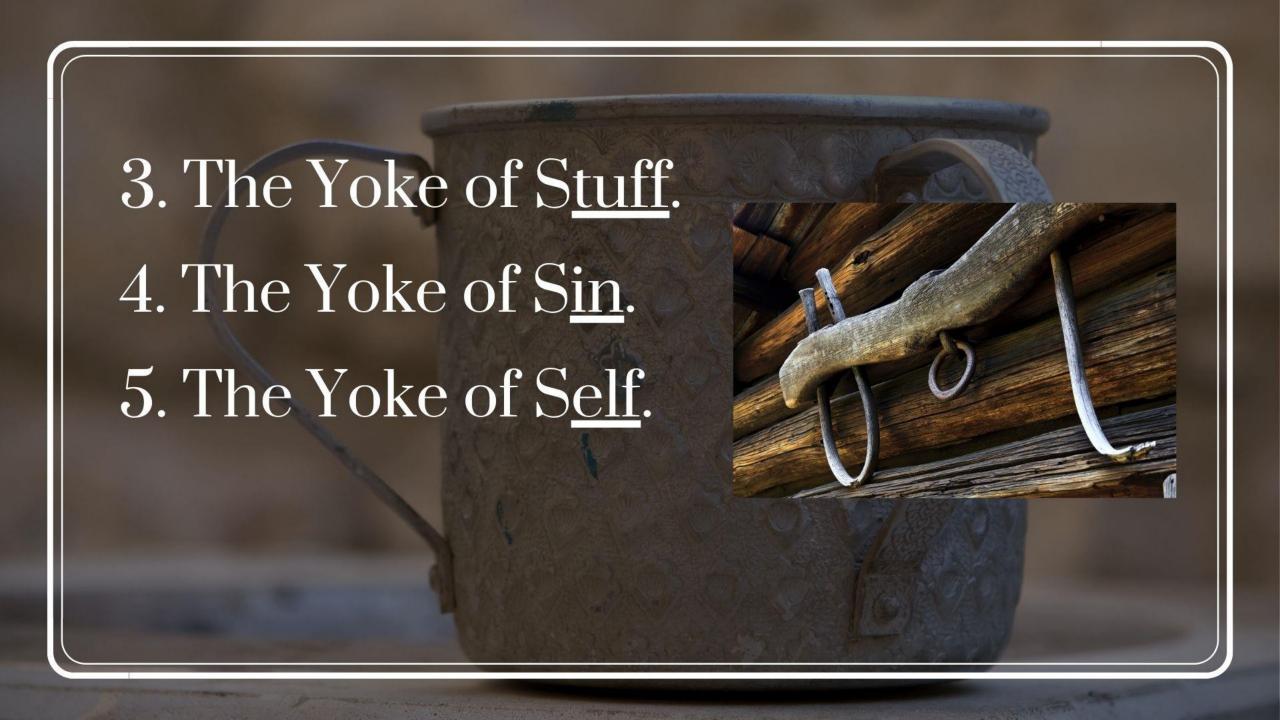
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קְדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְווֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ עַל נְטִילַת יָדִיִם

BARUCH ATAH A-DONAY, ELO-HEINU MELECH HA'OLAM, ASHER KIDESHANU BEMITZVOTAV VETZIVANU AL NETILAT YADAYIM An external power source required:

§ 1:5 - A person may place the jug between his knees and pour out the water, or he may turn the jug on its side and pour it out. A monkey may pour water over the hands. Rabbi Yose declares these [latter] two cases invalid.









- 4. The Yoke of Sin.
- 5. The Yoke of Self.
- 6. The Yoke of Jesus.



"How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"

Hebrews 9:14



