

Dear Friends

There are some wonderful verses throughout the Bible that remind us to come..

“Come,, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters” is found in Isaiah. In Matthew, Jesus says to “come to him all who are labour and are heavy laden and He will give us rest.” The two YouTube clips invite us to come to the Lord. In those times when we feel all alone, let us come to Jesus who promises us his rest, his restoration and his renewal.

[March 13 2022 \(Sanctuary Choir\) "Come to the Water" by Hasseler - Bing video](#)

Isaiah 55:1

New International Version

“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost.”

O let all who thirst
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without price
Why should you pay the price
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil
Let them come to the water
And let all who are weary
Let them come to the Lord:
All who labor, without rest
How can your soul find rest
Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without strife
Why should you spend your life
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor
Let them come to the water
Bring the ones who are laden
Bring them all to the Lord:
Bring the children without might
Easy the load and light:
Come to the Lord

[Matthew 11:28-30 Song "Come Unto Me" - Esther Mui \(Scripture Worship with Lyrics\) - Bing video](#)

Matthew 11:28-30

King James Version

²⁸Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

At a retreat some years ago, the minister set up a rug and a portable barbecue and spoke about Jesus calling his disciples to “Come and have breakfast!” He used this as he (the minister) invited us to join in Holy Communion. It waws very moving. John 21:1-13 tells the story of the disciples fishing all night and catching nothing. When Jesus says to throw the net on the other side they had a great catch, then he invites them to breakfast

12Jesus said to them, “**Come and have breakfast.**” None of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. **13**Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.”



What does Jesus say to me on a daily basis - here are a few of my thoughts

- “Come, sit with me and let’s talk about the day, what have been the highlights?”
- “Come, and have a cuppa, and let’s chat together”
- “Come, and bring your joys and your troubles to me,
I will give you rest and I will renew your strength.”
- “Come, and we’ll talk over your plans and see how they fit in with mine”
Jeremiah 29:11 ¹¹For **I know** the plans I have for you," declares **the LORD**, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, **plans** to give you hope and a future.” His plans are **BEST**.
- “Come as you are, that’s how I want you.” Jesus loves me just as I am.

[Come As You Are - Deidre Brown/Paul Gurr - YouTube](#)

Come as you are, that's how I want you.
Come as you are, feel quite at home.
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?

No need to fear, love sets no limits.
No need to fear, love never end.
Don't run away, shamed, and disheartened.
Rest in my love, trust me again.

In Christian love

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I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous.
I came to bring peace, not to condemn.
Each time you fail to live by my promise
Why do you think I'd love you the less?

Come as you are, that's how I love you.
Come as you are, trust me again.
Nothing can change the love
that I bear you.
All will be well, just come as you are.