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"Come to me, ... and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28 - NIV

### Summer rest

### June 2023

A lot happens between September and the following summer. How can you long for a summer rest in which much is put on the back burner. But worrying about the people around you, the world far or near, or your own health don't take a vacation. However, rest is not only less activities, less people, less agenda items, less pressure, ...

How do you really relax? Jesus invites us to come to Him when we are weary and burdened. He knows about our busyness and our worries...after all, He was always called upon! He saw joy, but also sorrow, sickness and injustice – and that never left Him unmoved. That is why Jesus also took the time to rest with his Father – in order to be able to continue afterwards.

That is how He is here and now with us. Tell Him, hide with Him, trust in Him. This Summer, take the time to do that. He is the only one who can give us the inner and deep rest that helps us to catch our breath and see things in the right perspective, or perhaps even from a different perspective.

Wishing you a relaxed Summer, hopefully also with a nice book and relaxing activities, but above all a beneficent mental rest, with Him!

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# Dutch speaking conference – November 4 – speaker Ms. Els van Dijk

Our 2-yearly conference will be held again on D.V. Saturday, November 4. No longer via Zoom but physically with personal meetings. We are very happy that Ms. Els van Dijk, former director of the Evangelische Hogeschool, wants to equip us this day!

- Location: Badhoevedorp Tyndale Theological Seminary
- Speaker: Els van Dijk
- Theme: Hopeful life
- Time: 9:30 15:15 uur

Welcome to everyone, both participants in the groups and others who are interested and like to get acquainted with our work.

An invitation will follow later, but the date can be put in the agenda.

We hope to see you there!





# Together-Online Group – join from the comfort of your own home

Is there no group in your area or are there other reasons that make it difficult to join a group? An online group then might be the solution for you!

Participants can live anywhere (in the Netherlands or abroad!) and form a group together.

We are working at setting up such a Dutch-language group in the Fall. Lead by trained leaders, you meet online for Bible study. The experiences in other countries are positive and participants experience this as very valuable. A permanent group that you regularly 'see and meet' and sympathize with you – so Together Online, with God's Word.

If you are interested or have questions, please fill in the contact form on our website: https://www.cbsi.nl/contact/.

### **News updates:**

### • New study: Return to Jerusalem

This study is ready for use by September. The Israelites come back from their captivity in Babylon. A study in 30 lessons in which many prophetic books of the O.T. are studied in whole or parts of it.

#### • Greece

CBS Greece will be highlighted in the back of every Workbook next season. This country is also part of CBS' worldwide international work.



We like to encourage you to pray in the groups for the prayer points mentioned herein to support the work and the people there.

# Witnesses after the study of James

**Griet:** I have to think more before I speak and have to keep that in mind. I learned the importance of putting your own interests aside for others, I will try that even more now.

**Janny:** I may tell God everything: my desolation as well as my grief. I always may ask for more courage, power and wisdom.

**Ria:** don't look to the outside of people, and listen more consciously. It is good to study together, it brings you closer to each other.