

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a green vest over a blue long-sleeved shirt and blue pants, is sitting on a wooden swing. She is smiling broadly and holding a green ceramic mug. The background is a blurred autumn forest with warm sunlight filtering through the trees.

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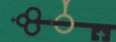
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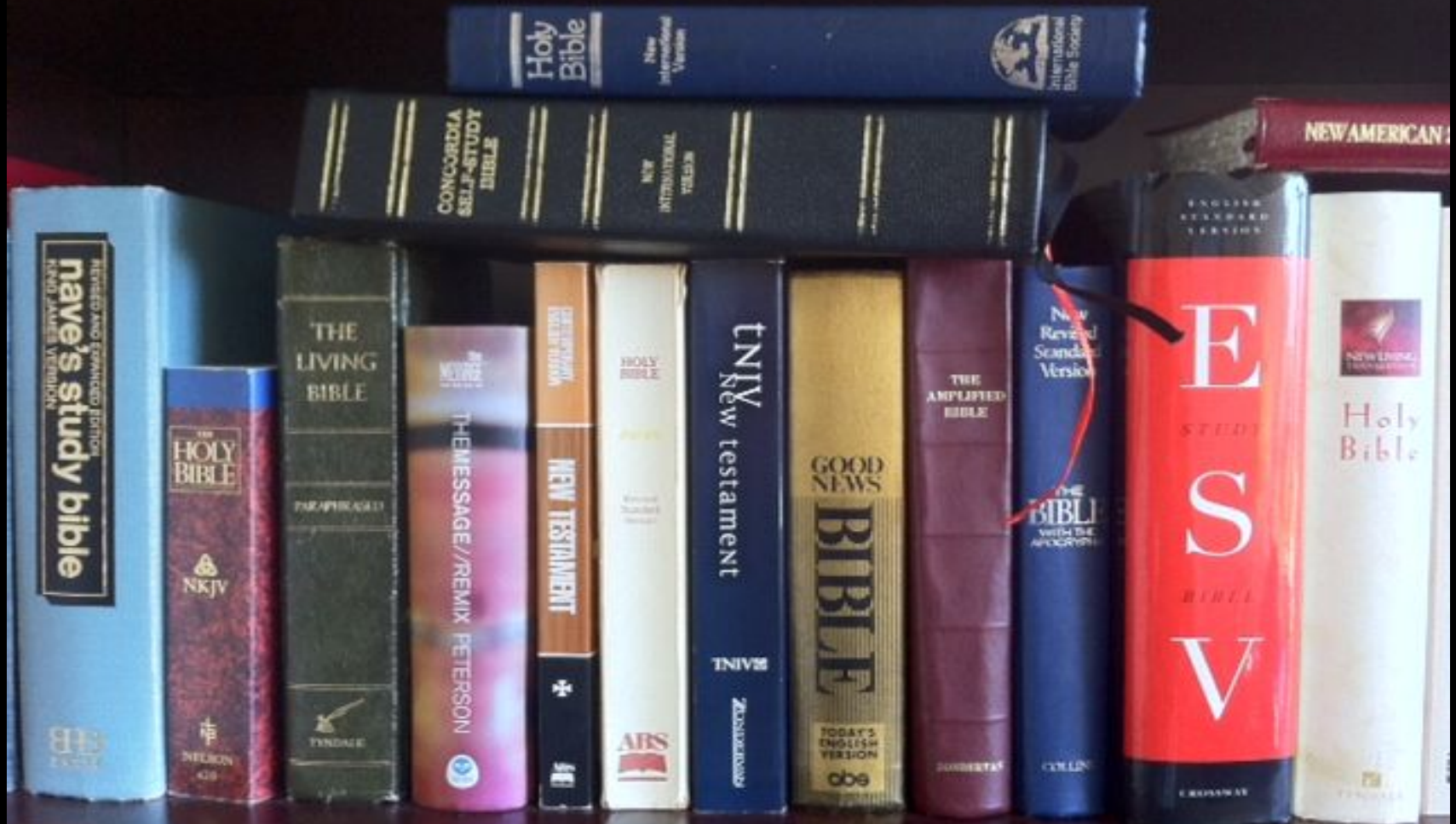
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*Little did Rosaria know
that Ken and Floy Smith
had been praying for
God's work at Syracuse
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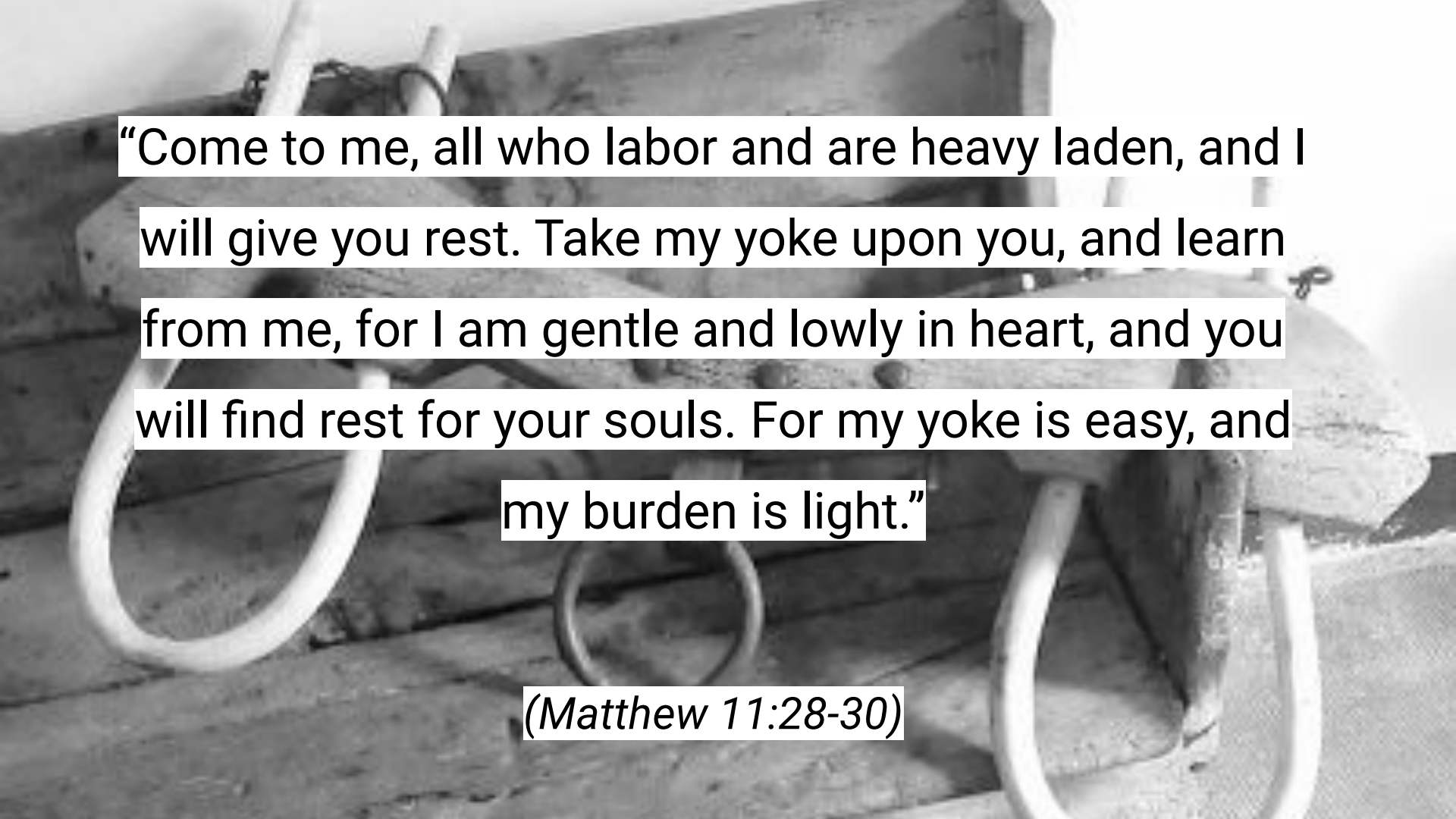
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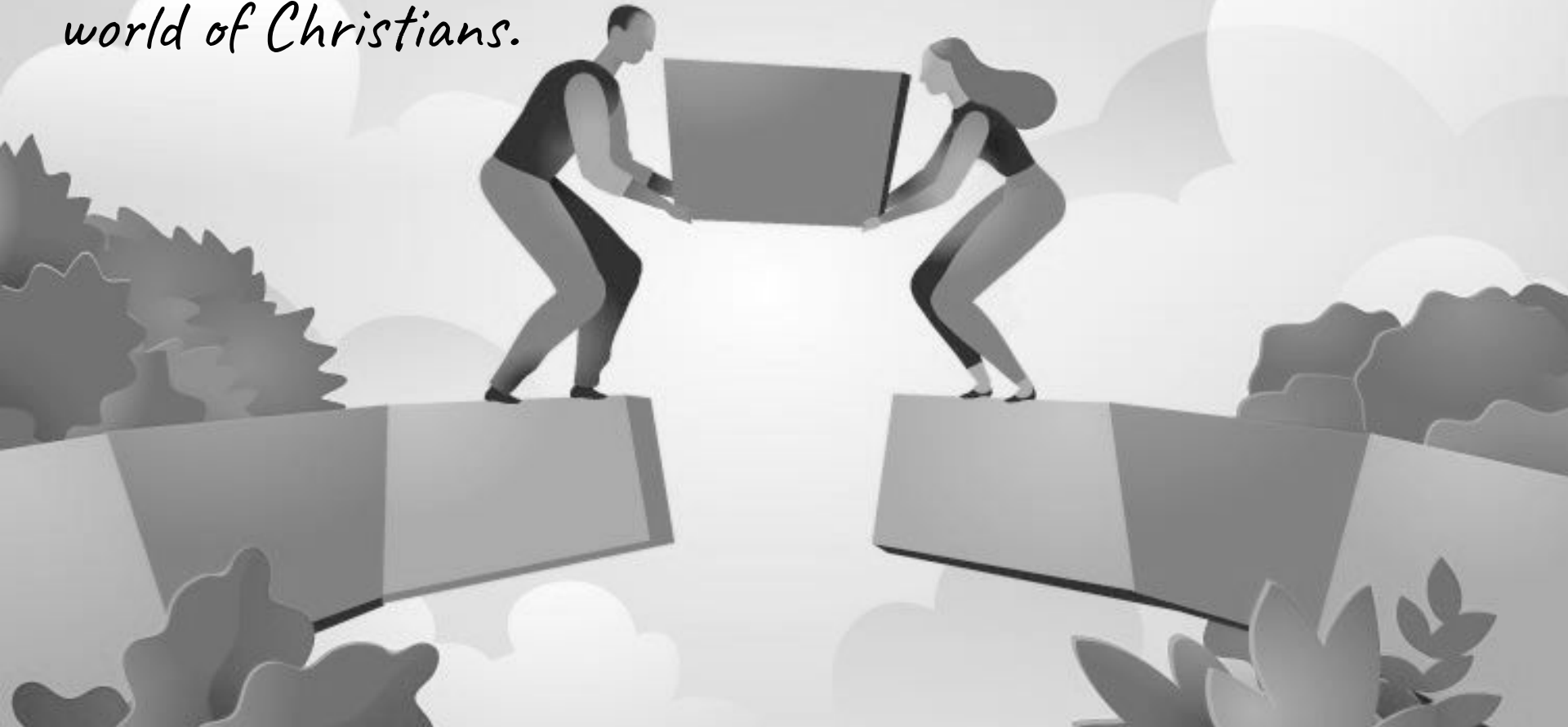




“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

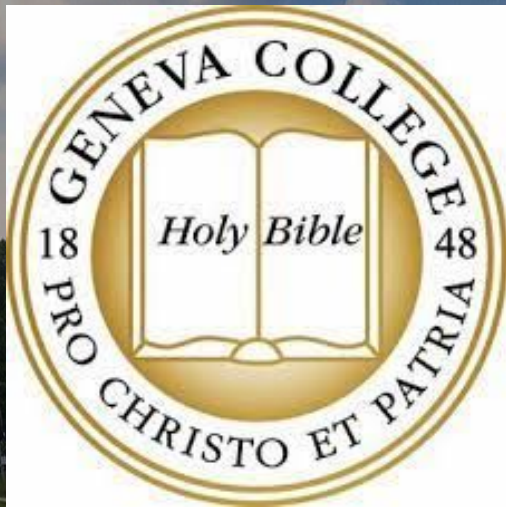
(Matthew 11:28-30)

“R” helped Rosaria navigate the completely unfamiliar world of Christians.



*Let us therefore come boldly
unto the throne of grace, that
we may obtain mercy, and find
grace to help in time of need.
(Hebrews 4:16)*







Rosaria is still invited to speak to university students, although these days, there are often protests.

A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding a rectangular metal loaf pan. Inside the pan is a large, golden-brown loaf of bread with a cracked crust and some dark spots, possibly raisins or chocolate chips. The person is wearing a light blue long-sleeved shirt and a bright yellow sweater. A patterned cloth with green and purple designs is draped over the sides of the pan. The background is softly blurred, showing a warm, bokeh light source.

Radically Ordinary Hospitality



Common Barriers

False sense of entitlement - the personality excuse

Hidden sins and bad habits - when you feel
hospitality will expose you

Idols - clinging to possessions

*“It’s where strangers become neighbours,
and neighbours, the Family of God.”*





“You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.”

(Matthew 5:14-16)

