MAT 151

The Leaven of Satan’s system

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[Mat 13:34](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/mat/13/34/s_942034) All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables, and He did not speak to them without a parable.

[Mat 13:35](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/mat/13/35/s_942035) *This was* to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:
“I WILL OPEN MY MOUTH IN PARABLES;
I WILL UTTER THINGS HIDDEN SINCE THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD.”

What we need to recognize again is historic context in that at this point the majority listening to the parable knew that what we call yeast today was what the leaven was all about…that leaven once introduced to the dough took time to set in motion.

My baker friends out there in California Matthew & Kimberly understand this principle I’m sure.

Let me give you a definition from a Biblical dictionary;

Smith’s Bible Dictionary;

/Various substances were known to have fermenting qualities; but the ordinary leaven consisted of a lump of old dough in a high state of fermentation, which was mixed into the mass of dough prepared for baking. This was set aside to rise up even before baking because the fermentation needed time to do its work. This dough was now tainted and a type of sour dough.\

This is the simplistic way to explain the process but I just want you all to have a grasp on this concept. Because what happens is the leaven needs time to do its work.

Leaven dough was set to the side so the dough would have time to rise even before baking…another words leaven was allowed to set in to do its work without the naked eye even noticing it at first.

/Mat 13:33 - *The kingdom of heaven* (Bels on the earth) *is like leaven*,

Two theories on this, only one holds true. One - that this speaks to how the word of God grows, spreads out across the world. The second which I believe is accurate, is *leaven* is never used in a good sense in scripture!\

So, in order to really follow this concept and understand what TLJC is pointing out we need to look at the word leaven.

First keep in mind TLJC has used the kingdom of darkness and the attacks upon His people in every parable so far and He is pointing to future references to wake His new teachers up to what is coming.

/The *leaven* refers to false doctrine in the Tribulation, which is already slipped in during the Church Age. Leaven is always used in a bad way; leaven always depicts evil in the scripture.\

Turn to Exodus chapter 12.

The true Biblical meaning of leaven is found in Exodus 12:8-19; Exo 13:7; Exo 34:25, and it is always evil. There are five kinds of leaven in the New Testament and they are all evil as well:

/New Testament- the Leaven of Herod, Mark 8:15, worldliness; the leaven of the Sadducees, Mark 16:6, rationalism or human viewpoint; the leaven of the Pharisees, Mark 8:15; Luk 12:1, religion, legalism; the leaven of the Galatians, Gal 5:9,\

Take a note on these as you turn to Exodus chapter 12 with me.

I probably won’t go into every one of these but I’ll touch on a few today.

I have to see where the HS leads me in this study.

/Legalism in salvation and spirituality; the leaven of the Corinthians, 1 Cor 5:6-7, licentiousness. In the leaven of the Galatians and the leaven of the Corinthians we have the two trends of the old sin nature. The trend to toward asceticism is the leaven of the Galatians and the trend toward sensuality / perversion is the leaven of the Corinthians.\

Now as we get into Exodus 12 –

We can note that leaven bread is brought to the forefront and anytime we get into a first mentioned principle in the Bible it becomes important to follow that principle until you see God’s word point you in a new direction.

Now in Exodus chapter 12 we see the Passover event that would ignite all the Jewish rituals. To this very day most orthodox Jews still follow….

Unfortunately, they are living in the wrong dispensation but none the less this is where it all began.

Exo 12:5 Your lamb shall be an unblemished male a year old; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

[Exo 12:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/6/s_62006) ‘You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight.

There is so much prophetic scripture here pointing to TLJC that I would be completely side tracked if I started pointing it out…so we will stay on track with the word leaven.

[Exo 12:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/7/s_62007) ‘Moreover, they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it.

[/Exo 12:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/8/s_62008) ‘They shall eat the flesh that *same* night, roasted with fire, and **they shall eat it with unleavened bread** and bitter herbs.\

The eating of unleavened bread was even seen in Genesis with father Abraham…that is the pure bread. Leaven bread speaks to a bread that has been tainted… it is not pure.

[Exo 12:9](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/9/s_62009) ‘Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but rather roasted with fire, *both* its head and its legs along with its entrails.

[Exo 12:10](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/10/s_62010) ‘And you shall not leave any of it over until morning, but whatever is left of it until morning, you shall burn with fire.

[Exo 12:11](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/11/s_62011) ‘Now you shall eat it in this manner: *with* your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste—it is the LORD’S Passover.

[Exo 12:12](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/12/s_62012) ‘For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments—I am the LORD.

[Exo 12:13](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/13/s_62013) ‘The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy *you* when I strike the land of Egypt.

The blood dripped on the door frame was like the shape of a cross.

Feast of the Unleavened Bread is highlighted here folks;

[Exo 12:14](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/14/s_62014) ‘Now this day will be a memorial to you, and you shall celebrate it *as* a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations you are to celebrate it *as* a permanent ordinance.

[/Exo 12:15](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/exo/12/15/s_62015) ‘Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, but on the first day **you shall remove leaven from your houses**; for **whoever eats anything leavened** from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.\

Notice the serious nature of leavened bread.

The same principle was taught again in chapter 13;

/Exo 13:7 “Unleavened bread shall be eaten throughout the seven days; and **nothing leavened shall be seen among you**, nor shall any leaven be seen among you in all your borders.\

Even as the Exodus generation proceeded into the wilderness and they began to establish their rituals it was brought out again.

/Exo 34:25 You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice **with leavened bread**, nor is the sacrifice of the Feast of the Passover to be left over until morning.\

I’ll put a few of the NT scriptures related to leaven bread up here as well so we can all take note that it is never used in a positive manner inside the plan of God.

This is the words of TLJC-

/Mar 8:15 And He was giving orders to them, saying, “Watch out! **Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod.**”

Leaven of religion, cosmic viewpoint and human effort.\

Turn to 1Corinthians chapter 5 so we can see some of what I am telling you.

/Gal 5:9 A little leaven leavens the whole lump *of dough.*

Leaven of legalism and deeds of the flesh.\

1Cor 5:1 It is actually reported that there is immorality among you, and immorality of such a kind as does not exist even among the Gentiles, that someone has his father’s wife.

[1Co 5:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/2/s_1067002) You have become arrogant and have not mourned instead, so that the one who had done this deed would be removed from your midst.

In other words, you are comfortable turning a blind eye to such behavior.

The letters from Paul were actually believed to be 3 letters and only the two are covered in the original context which means these are the ones God ordained for us to read.

[1Co 5:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/3/s_1067003) For I, on my part, though absent in body but present in spirit, have already judged him who has so committed this, as though I were present.

[1Co 5:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/4/s_1067004) In the name of our Lord Jesus, when you are assembled, and I with you in spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus,

[1Co 5:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/5/s_1067005) *I have decided* to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of his flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

/[1Co 5:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/6/s_1067006) Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a **little leaven leavens the whole lump *of dough****?*

Leaven of lust & licentiousness \

[1Co 5:7](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/7/s_1067007) Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, just as you are *in fact* unleavened. For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed.

Notice what Paul is calling the born again Bel….saying you are living in your OSN…meaning leaven bread. Live in your new nature unleavened bread…pure and clean from cosmic filth.

/[1Co 5:8](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/1co/5/8/s_1067008) Therefore let us celebrate the feast, **not with old leaven**, nor with the **leaven of malice and wickedness**, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Leaven speaks to the old sin nature.\

Paul was dealing with the repercussions of a sexual relationship outside the plan of God that now was causing confusion and division and he needed to rectify that problem.

But the lesson and focus today is on the word leaven…it is not used in a good sense.

Let’s finish up by going to Revelation chapter 17.

Because we need to look at the woman in Mat 13:33;

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Peck was a large portion like several quarts of measurements.

 The woman refers to the ecumenical religious system of the Tribulation — Revelation 17:1-15.

/She took and hid the leaven in three measures of meal: first measure of meal — the Church Age, and the leaven in the Church is false doctrine. This is Satan’s mystery form of religion, twisted scripture and emotional teaching designed to distract & confuse.\

This covers the large denominations as well as the smaller spiritual movements that eventually will fall under one system by the time the Anti-Christ gets a seat of power over the whole world.

A one world government and one world banking and one world religion.

 /Then in the Tribulation is the second measure of meal which is hidden (Mat 13:33 peck/measure)— iniquity or religion is revealed and the second measure is the Gentile Unbels of the Tribulation; and then the third measure of meal is the Jewish Unbels of the Tribulation. The deception has already begun! \

We know the Apostle John was given the insight and prophetic vision of the end times.

Rev 17:1 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying, “Come here, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters,

This great harlot will be a large religious movement that has been established.

 Most scholars agree that it is probably a large denomination already established and sitting in a position of power for a long period of time. REPEAT

What they do is begin to open themselves up to other smaller movements and religions that they will embrace and get them to bend to their doctrines.

[Rev 17:2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/rev/17/2/s_1184002) with whom the kings of the earth committed *acts of* immorality, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her immorality.”

[Rev 17:3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/rev/17/3/s_1184003) And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns.

This speaks to the one world religion riding the beast which means the satanic agenda.

**/**[Rev 17:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/rev/17/4/s_1184004) **The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet**, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold **cup full of abominations** and of the **unclean things of her immorality**,\

[Rev 17:5](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nasb/rev/17/5/s_1184005) and on her forehead a name *was* written, a mystery, “BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.”

/During the Tribulation all spiritual organizations will be taken over by the false religion; leaven will take over the meal; Mat 13:33 -*“until it was all leavened,”* it permeates everything. Apostasy will be in every organization at that time. \

Closing note are we in a cycle of discipline ?? it is possible.

Something to think about….

Because in God’s cycles of discipline there is a weakening of the nation from within…God’s word and the family unit begin to disappear….disrespect for authority and rebellion begin to occur out on the streets.

 Corruption from the government hurts the people.

Illness and attacks from outside forces begin to happen…financial problems overtake the land.

That nation then becomes vulnerable to be attacked in the military sense by their enemies.

The decline or attack on the 4 divine institution that God established is when it happens folks….Free will, volition….Christian Marriage….the family unit….nationalism.