

KINGDOM CULTURE Part 6

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I. Matthew 13:33 - Kingdom of Heaven and leaven

A. V33 - Kingdom of heaven is like...

1. Kingdom of Heaven - *Not just geographical place* - The foundational, principal components of heaven; the system or culture of heaven
2. Culture - *Webster* - The set of attitudes, values, goals, and practices of a society, or organization.
 - a) Kingdom Culture is the set of attitudes, values, goals and practices of the Kingdom of Heaven.

B. Kingdom of heaven is like leaven - Not like leavened bread but leaven

1. Leavening - Generic term; Adding a small amount of something to dough to create a higher or fluffier loaf
2. Leaven - *zumē* - To ferment; the main ingredient added to make bread rise; yeast

C. How does the Leavening process work?

1. For fermentation to occur, it requires a base, and a strain.
 - a) The base is a carbohydrate, or the flour, salt and the strain is usually a type of bacteria or fungus or the yeast.
2. Yeast is considered a living organism — the ability to use energy (eat)!
 - a) When yeast, humans, and other living organisms use energy (eat), they break down high-energy molecules like sugar to get the energy they need and give off a gas called carbon dioxide as a byproduct of this reaction
3. As soon as yeast (living organism) comes into contact with flour and water, the fermentation process starts. This reaction produces carbon dioxide gas which gets retained by the dough in the small pockets of the gluten structure. As more gas is produced, the gluten stretches and the bread rises.

D. What is the yeast in the leavening process? - A catalyst

1. Catalyst - An agent that provokes or speeds significant change or action without itself being affected.
 - a) Provoke - To stir up purposely, to provide the needed stimulus for
2. Catalysts can have both a fairly mild or slow impact as well as instant dramatic impact but either way they are necessary to provoke change
3. Yeast or leaven is a catalyst that provokes or speeds up change or action. It is an influencer!

E. Mark 8:15 (NKJV) 15 Then He charged them, saying, "Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod."

