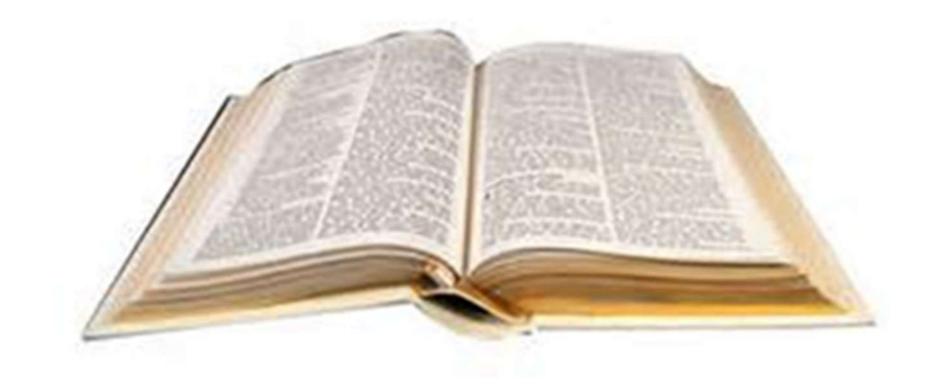
# Jesus instructs his disciples. Something for you. Luke 12:1-12 part of a long section & question interjections





He just left a seriously hostile group of Pharisees and Scribes





#### We have something more to learn from them

when a crowd of many thousands had gathered, so that they were trampling on one another, Jesus began to speak first to his disciples,



Notice a different reaction from the crowds There's a message for disciples & the rest

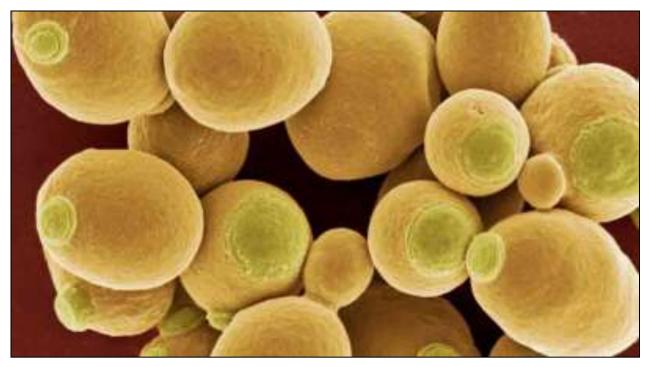
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"Yeast" effects destroyed the Pharisees (It's not about bread!) There's a warning for us here! What destroyed them could destroy you too.

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Yeast effects spreads through dough Not to be in Passover week or sin offerings So it comes to be associated with 'sin'.

### saying: "Be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees, which is <u>HYPOCRISY</u>

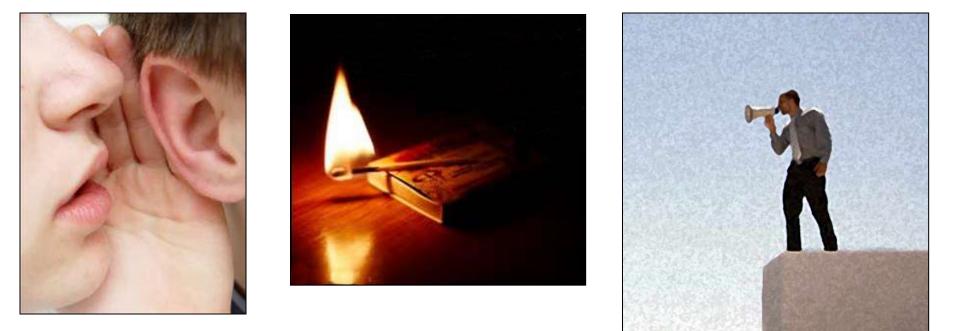


A Greek word but not just a Greek problem !! Hebrew roots also :-To flatter, To colour with dye/paint, To desecrate/ pollute. Isaiah. 24:5, Jer. 23:15

# TOXIC!

## Hypocrisy –Playing at Faith

NT. Ananias & Sapphira Acts 5 Peter & Barnabas Galatians 2:12-13 There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. What you have said in the dark will be heard in the daylight, and what you have whispered in the ear in the inner rooms will be proclaimed from the roofs.

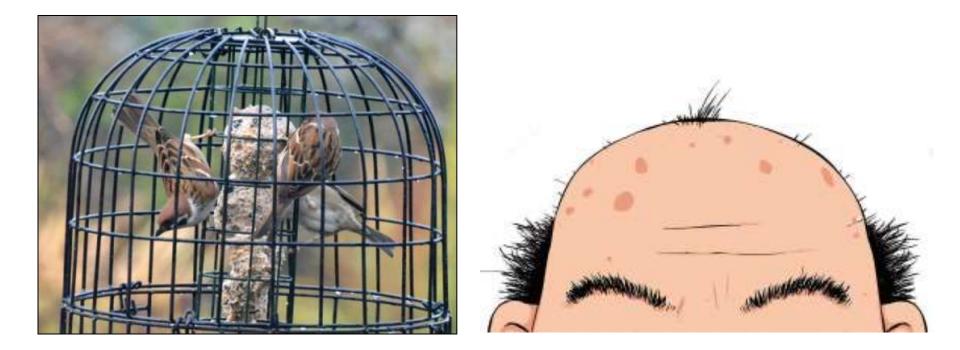


# The Truth will come out!

"I tell you, my friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that can do no more. But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him.

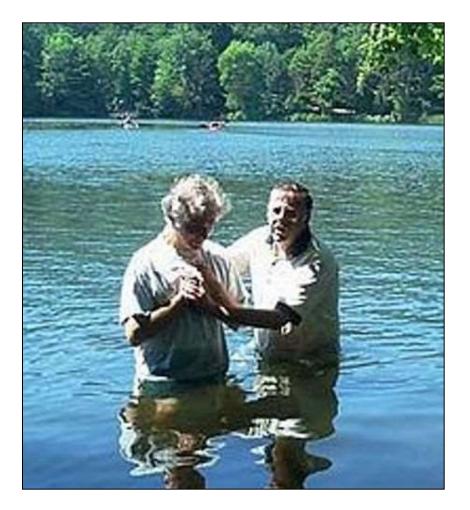


Comfort for "friends". Do not fear limited man. What they do to me they'll do to you. But have a correct fear of God - Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.



# God cares for you, values you, knows you.

"I tell you, whoever publicly acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man will also acknowledge before the angels of God. But whoever disowns me before others will be disowned before the angels of God.



There are great rewards for the faithful.

For those who deny and reject there will be great loss

# Don't be afraid to admit to being Jesus' disciple.

And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven.

Rejecting or cursing the Testimony coming from the Holy Spirit has very serious consequences.

Judgement will be given against them.

To totally refuse the offer of salvation leaves no alternative.



"When you are brought before synagogues, rulers and authorities, do not worry about how you will defend yourselves or what you will say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what you should say."



#### The Holy Spirit in you will be there to help. So DON'T WORRY

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the Son of Man will also acknowledge (you)

the Holy Spirit will teach you

Father knows The Son forgives The Holy Spirit enables





