

Spoken Word no. 225

“Galatians 5:9”

“A Little Leaven”

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This morning we will continue in our series from the Spoken word is the Original Seed, and this will be number 225 in our series. For our reading let us turn in our Bibles to the Book of Galatians chapter 5 and begin reading from verse 1 through verse 9.

Galatians 5: 5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. 2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing. 3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law. 4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace. 5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. 6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love. 7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth? 8 This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you. 9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

Now, we need to know what Paul means by this statement, *“A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.”*

Exodus 12:14-29 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever. 15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

Now, what does the Scripture mean to put away the leaven from the first until the seventh. What is this Leaven that it is so damnable that having it mixed into our wheat and baked in the bread would cause us to be put away from the Lord and the Congregation of the righteous.

Brother Branham typed Israel as a type of the Bride, and there is to be a memorial that he wants us to do, and we will find out that that seven days represents the seven church ages, and that no leaven is to be found in those seven days, and whosoever is found with leaven is to be cut off.

16 And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, (that means a gathering, or ingathering) and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you;

Notice we are to have another gathering that is called a holy convocation or Holy Ingathering once again as it were at the first. This lets us know that what was in the Alpha must repeat in the Omega. There was a gathering together unto Him at the first and there will be another gathering together unto Him at the last.

Now, let's read on to see the tenor of that holy convocation, or that holy gathering unto Him. In other words, we want to know the setting for this holy convocation, the atmosphere in which it will come about. And Notice God says, here, "no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done of you. (Notice what kind of activity is to take place during the time of this holy convocation, this holy ingathering. We are to be eating and resting, just like we are told in the Book of Malachi the 4th chapter concerning the time of the prophet of **Malachi 4**.)

Malachi 4:1 *For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. 2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings;*

Those are healing campaigns just like he did in alpha He is to repeat again in the Omega. And as a result of this presence among you which is evidenced by the great healing campaign it is to have an effect upon us) *and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.*

Now the question is what is a calf of the stall? It is a calf in the stall and all he can do is eat and rest, eat and rest, for he is there for the purpose of fattening up. Notice the Scripture says, and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. So it is all about growing up. Coming to full maturity. That is what this ministry of the Son of righteousness is all about, bringing the elect to a full maturity.

Now, in getting back to **Exodus 12:17** *And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever. 18 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening time at the evening time ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at evening time. 19 Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land. 20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations ye shall eat unleavened bread. 21 Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover. 22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that is in the basin; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.*

Now this is the verse of Scripture that brother Branham used when speaking on the Token, and the blood was taken here and was wiped onto the two door posts, and on the lintel which is the span just above the door opening. That formed the sign of the cross, and it was the blood of the lamb that was represented on the door which represents the Word. Jesus said, I am the door to the sheepfold. And He is the Word. And so the blood of the lamb was wiped on the door in the sign of the cross, foreshadowing what was to come when the Lamb of God would be slain on a cross.

Now, notice they were to take a lamb for a house, each house was to have their own lamb. Each house was to have their own relationship with the Lamb of God. And so is it today. So I ask you the question. Does your family have a lamb for the entire house?

23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. 24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever. 25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service. 26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service? 27 That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the LORD'S passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped. 28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. 29 And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

The Lord did not spare anything that was outside of the blood. And brother Branham told us that the last plague then was death and that the last plague today is spiritual death.

Now, I want to say this without hurting feelings, but if you will notice at this first Exodus, death took out the first born son of all who did not have the Token properly displayed in their home. And if the type holds, then is what we are seeing today the fulfillment of the spiritual death striking this nation and every home, and every first born son, in whose home the Token has not been properly displayed? I don't have the answer, but when I see the falling away from this Message of so many young men, I have to ask the question, and the parents must ask the question, did I have the Token properly displayed? And you know in your heart if you have done all you can to display the Token. But when I see so many television sets in so many homes of believers in the message, and I hear brother Branham tell us in order to display the token we must clean up the house and get rid of the television sets, and filthy news papers, etc, then have we properly displayed the token if we still have television sets in the home?

Matt 13:33 *Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.*

Now, we have several Scriptures here this morning that would appear to the carnal mind that they are completely in contrast. For in the Old Testament we read that for seven days there shall be no leaven to be found amongst you. For seven days, there will be no leaven in your home, or in anything with what you have to do. No leaven period.

And by the way, **Matthew 13** is the Rapture chapter and chapter **24** of **Matthew**, and in this **Matthew** chapter **13** we find many parables that speak of the end time and in particular the time of the setting froth of the Kingdom of God. When God comes forth to establish His kingdom with a Shout, a Voice and a trumpet, which we know to be the Rapture.

And we find the same parable in the Book of Luke, **Luke 13:20-21 20:** *And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God? 21: It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.*

Now, if we are not careful we can look at this parable and come to just the opposite meaning than what Jesus is laying out for us to know. You could say, the kingdom of God is like leaven, then leaven must be good? But that is not what He is telling us, because there is no place in scripture where leaven is likened unto that which is good and righteous, but rather it is looked at as being something evil.

Now, if we turn to **Luke** the **17th** chapter and **verse 20** through **22**, we read, *And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: It doesn't come with an outward show.*

Now, the Pharisees had a leaven of their own, and it was externalism. Everything to them was an outward show. That's like what we call the social Christian today, or the social Message Believer. You can't get them to come to church but when there is a social event they all show up for everyone to see that they are Believers.

Everything was done in a way that you could see who was who, and who was doing what. Jesus told them, you wash the outside of the pots and make them clean, so everyone could see you do it, but on the inside you are full of dead men's bones. And so we find Jesus telling these Pharisees, that the Kingdom of God when it comes will not be done with an outward show. And even the Angel of God had to rebuke brother Branham for making a show of it in the very beginning. That is not the way it will come, nor has come.

You know, people are looking for the coming of the Lord and for the clouds to part and for angels to descend and for everyone one earth to be able to see when it comes, but that is not the way it will come. It is a secret coming, for He has Appeared already and they don't even know it, nor are they in their “**churchianity**” even aware what has taken place.

And Jesus continues talking to the Pharisees saying, **21 Neither shall they say, Lo** (or look) *here! or, lo* (look) *there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.*

The kingdom of God is in your midst and you are not even aware of Who the King is and what His kingdom is all about. It will be in your very midst and you won't even be aware of it, because you are looking for something outward and thus you are looking in the wrong direction. The Bible tells us he was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, and he is rejected of all men. He wasn't beautiful, he wasn't a polished up preacher with a beautiful delivery. He wasn't what they were looking for, nor was He what they were expecting. This tree of Life was not some great big beautiful tree full of beautiful and delicious fruit, but the Bible tells us he was a tender plant.

Isaiah 53:2 tells us, *For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: and what is a root out of dry ground? It's all shriveled up and there is nothing beautiful about it. It says, he hath no form nor comeliness* (no splendor, no majesty) and the description Isaiah gives us continues, and when we shall see him,...

there is no beauty that we should desire him. THEREFORE 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Now, you say, that was the man Jesus? And I tell you, NO, that is God Himself in the man Jesus. God was in the prophet's and no prophet was received among his own people. God in those prophets was never received and never will be received because he changes not.

And so it is Christ in us that is despised and rejected, because he is the coach of this team, and He is the One who assigns who is to carry the ball, and it does not matter what person He assigns to do it, it is still His purpose and His plan, and He calls the plays.

Can you imagine a team getting upset because the coach uses different players to move the ball downfield? Oh, no, we have our man to do it, and yet the man they want might be injured and not even on the field any longer. Well, let me just say this. If a team will not do as the coach assigns them to do, He will just get rid of those players and get Himself others that will do as He tells them to do. *22 And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. and why won't they be able to see one of those days?*

Because they are so busy looking backward or forward, and failing to see that God is the same and changes not. Now, Jesus was telling those Pharisees that the Kingdom of God was standing right in their midst and they were not even aware of it. They were so organized within themselves that when he was there, they didn't even know it.

Water From the Rock 55-0224 24 *When Martin Luther built the first camp, he organized it so tight he just couldn't be nothing else but a Lutheran. God come right along, moved the Pillar of Fire out, the children followed it. Wesley brought the message. And the first thing you know, Wesley organized so tight, till he couldn't move. Then the first thing, the Pillar of Fire moved out, and here come the Pentecostals going right on with it. The Pentecostals organized so tight till they're fussing whether they're oneness, twoness, threeness, or one hump camel, two hump camel, three hump camel, this way, that way, that way, God's moving right on out, leaving them. That's right. The Holy Spirit's moving on, children's a following It.*

Deceived Church By The World 59-0628M 83 *But as Israel was bound by their kings, that they could not follow their real King, and their real King, when He came, they didn't recognize Him, so is it today, O Lord, the King of glory has appeared in the form of the Holy Ghost, and, Lord, they don't know it. They don't recognize it. They're so organized so tight, that they do not understand it, because it's not in their organization. Lord, this is a work of the Devil that's done this to the people. May the Samson of God, may the true in heart, those who are longing and crying, and pleading and holding on, may they stay with it, Lord, until this new crop grows out, until there comes forth again a joy in Zion, and there comes forth a group that can recognize and understand, that can see the Messiah and the hidden powers that's hid from the world, that they will not understand now. Grant, Lord, that they'll see this. For we ask it in Jesus' Name. Amen.*

What Does Thou Here 59-0301E 54 *Why can't this America see it, Lord? Has her senses so dull, is the church so organized so tight. And they won't cooperate. They won't do nothing but criticize.*

Now, look, in **Luke 17** when Jesus is having this discourse with the Pharisees, he is telling them that although the King is in their very midst, yet they can not see what is taking place, and he tells them so will it be when the Son of Man is manifesting Himself to the world. He who made the world will come to the world and the world will receive him not. That's

John 1:10 *He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. 11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.*

Now, in getting back to **Matthew Chapter 13** we see in this parable three things here. **Matthew 13:33** *Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.*

Now, if we approach this Scripture here and keep it in continuity with the rest of the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelations, we have three things here.

#1) It is speaking of leaven. It is speaking of this leaven which the Kingdom of Heaven is likened unto.

#2) This leaven was hid in three measures of meal. So we have thus far the leaven and the meal, and finally we have the third which is...

#3) The woman and she is the one who did it. She is the one who hid the leaven in the meal. Now, we know that woman always represents the church. So we are looking at what this church is doing. And we know what kind of a church it is when we look at the character of the woman. We can tell whether she is a true bride or a false bride which is a whore.

Now, we are dealing with the Kingdom of God. That is the subject Jesus is speaking about. And we know a kingdom is not a piece of land, nor is it a place, but rather a kingdom consists of one thing and one thing only. A kingdom is simply a King and His people. For you can not have a kingdom without a king and his people. And therefore, Jesus is telling us what the conditions of the Kingdom of God will be like at the time when the Son of Man is revealed. Now, let's just look at this meal that the woman hides the leaven in. The word meal is associated with bread, and we know that the Word of God is our bread. Jesus said, man shall not live by bread alone but by every Word that proceeds out of the mouth of God. And meal represents the Bread of Life being broken down. That's meal see. It is the bread of Life, broken down for the people.

Now, notice this woman had three measures of meal, but she hid something in these three measures of meal, and it was leaven, to make it more than what it really is. She HID it.

God's Only Provided lace Of Worship 65-1128M 186 *The meal offering was a type of Christ. Let's just take that one.190 And the meal offering that was Christ, He was the Meal offering, and the meal offering must be ground with a certain burr that made every little chunk of meal the same, shows that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever..*

Christ is the Word. All the types of everything: the tabernacle, the showbread, everything, the broken kosher under the plate was His broken body, that the Jews can't explain yet why they do it (See?), and all these other things typed Him.

193 *Now, then, Him in view, we see now all denominations and creeds left behind; for He is the pure, unchangeable Word of God, which is the unleavened bread: St. John 1. That's right. He's the unleavened Bread. So you add this, or add that, it's a leaven added to that what's already been originally give for you.*

And he told the story of Elisha and how he went to the school of the prophets and someone wanted to impress him and so they went out and gathered what they thought were wild peas but turned out to be wild gourds, and when they put them in the pot and began to boil them, someone cried out, there's death in the Pot, and so Elisha took a meal offering and put it into the pot and made it so that they could eat. And notice, how there is death in the pot today. The woman, the church mixed in with the three measures of meal leaven, and it's killing the people spiritually today, just like what they are doing in the natural with all this DNA altering and gene splicing and hybridizing the corn and wheat. Hybrid wheat and hybrid corn produces hybrid meal, and if you eat it, what does it do to you?

And look how in the natural they have polluted the corn and are genetically engineering it to be something that it was not meant to be. And why do they do it? To make it look better. And why do you add leaven to meal? To make the loaf appear bigger and nicer looking. Yet the Kingdom of God is not to come by observation. And if it is not to come by observation, then why would you want to make it look better than it is meant to look? And what is the effect it is having on the people? It's changing the bodies of men and women, from strong and healthy to weak and infertile. The meal is destroying the people in the natural and what have they done to the meal offering? They, the woman, the church have polluted it by adding leaven.

Notice the words of warning from the Apostle Paul to the **Galatians 1:6** *I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:* (Now that word another is not from the Greek word allots which means a different one altogether, but it was taken from the Greek word haters which means of another nature. So in essence he is saying, *I marvel that you are so soon removed from the Gospel of Christ unto one that has a different nature from the original One you received.*) And then he says, **7** *Which is not another;* (he says, here, which is not an allos, which is not a totally different one altogether, but it is the same one that has been perverted.) *but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.* (And this word pervert came from a Greek word that means to change or to turn. So we see here that they were swerving away from the truth unto a false truth.) And then he warns them, **8** *But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.* **9** *As we said before, so say I now again, If any [man] preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.*

So we see that to take this other meal is to take the curse which is death, and in this case spiritual death.

Spiritual Food In Due Season 65-0718E 124 *Notice, there was meal in the barrel. Every time she went after meal, there was meal in the barrel. There was oil in the cruse, every time she went for it. Why? Meal represented Christ in the meal-offering. The burrs had to be set just right to grind every one of them. Every burr of this meal exactly the same, showing that He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. That was the Word, the Bread of Life following the message, to vindicate the Word. So is it today, friends. So is it today, that the Bread of Life that the children eat on, follows the Message of God, to sustain them during the time of the drought. What if He stood in our presence today? What if He stood in our presence right now? He would act and do just exactly like He done the days when He was in flesh here on the earth.*

God's Only Provided lace Of Worship 65-0220 76 *The Meal Offering was Christ. Every burr had to be set the same, and every little piece of meal had to be ground the same for the meal offering, showing that He is the Healer, and He substitutes and takes away death and puts Life by the two laws. Hallelujah. Where death is one place, when Christ comes in, Life comes in. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever. And where there was death, there became Life, because that Christ was bought in, the Meal Offering.*

Notice that the meal represents life, and the woman took three measures of this meal which represents three measures of life and yet she mixed in with life something to try to make that life more beautiful, to make it bigger than it is supposed to be, and to make it better looking than what it was meant to be, and by doing so she perverted it and caused death in the pot.

Now, we have shown you how that women represent the church, and yet we have also said if you look at the nature of the woman it will tell you if she represents a Bride or a false bride. In this parable Jesus tells us what kind of woman this church is. She is a false church because of her very nature declares what type of a woman she really is. Jesus says, the woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened. Notice that she hid it. she was sneaky about what she was doing. The word hid mean to **1. To put or keep out of sight; secrete. 2. To prevent the disclosure or recognition of; conceal: tried to hide the facts. 3. To cut off from sight; cover up: Clouds hid the stars. 4. To avert (one's gaze), especially in shame or grief. v. intr. 1. To keep oneself out of sight.**

And notice if this woman reflected Christ as her husband she would not be trying to conceal but reveal. So we see this woman is a bad church. She is a whore. She has tried to hide and get away with this deed so no one would notice. And Jesus said what she did leavened the whole lump. Leavened the entire lump. And what is to be made from the lump? It is to be baked and the bread is the result. And so she leavened the entire bread of Life until there was not Life left in it, only death in the Pot. And remember, the same Word that is our blessing becomes our curse if we do not handle it the way it was ordained to handle it. Thus all three measures of meal were thus polluted, until Jesus said the entire lump was polluted. All tables become full of vomit.

What the canker worm didn't eat the locust did, and what the locust left the palmerworm ate, and what the palmer worm didn't eat the caterpillar ate and so on until the whole thing was destroyed. And that is why God had to come Himself in this last day to restore all that had been eaten right down to the very roots.

Now, what are those three measures of meal? Justification, sanctification and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and notice how she perverted the teaching of these three Scriptural doctrines. And what did she pervert them with? False Doctrine! She took false doctrine to pervert the True meal or true doctrine. We find our answer to this from the very words of Jesus in **Matthew 16:6** *Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees. 7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread. 8 Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread? 9 Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? 10 Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? 11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees? 12 Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.*

So we see that the leaven represents false doctrine that is added to the right portions of word. And remember the burrs had to be ground to the same in every detail. Therefore, the meal represents a rightly divided Word, and yet the leaven represents a false doctrine that was added to the three measures of Justification, sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, that just perverted the whole understanding.

And without these three rightly divided measures of meal you can not have communion and fellowship in the Presence of God without breaking the bread of Life with Him. God wants to have fellowship and communion with us, around His Word. And Abraham, the Father of our Faith showed us how it is to be done.

Genesis 18:1 *And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: (Notice this is speaking of the Appearing of the Lord Himself. This is speaking of the presence of the Lord.) and he (Abraham) sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; 2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, 3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favor in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant: 4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree: 5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said. 6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly (she did not have time to add anything to it, she had to hurry and quickly do it. when we make the communion bread, it is to be done in haste just like when they were to make the bread at the first Exodus. Just as Abraham had Sarah do it in haste, quickly, not time to let it rise. You take only pure whole grain flower and water only, and add nothing else. No oil, no leaven, just pure grain wheat and pure water and knead it and roll it and then bake it quickly. Notice*

Abraham said,) Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth.

You've got to be able to rightly divide the Three measures of fine meal, justification, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and then you are ready to break the bread of Life with the Author of Life Himself in His Very presence. And He is here this morning to do so.

The Masterpiece 64-0705 136 *Justification made a way for sanctification. Sanctification made a way for the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The baptism of the Holy Ghost made a way for the Holy Ghost Itself to come right down in perfection, back to the Word again to manifest Itself. 43 Let us pray*

Let us bow our heads in prayer.

Restoration of bride tree 62-0422 P:122 *Now, this little fellow started to destroying: destroying what? The cankerworm got into the bark. Watch what it did; it begin to destroy the bark. What did it do? It made a natural church for a spiritual church. Yes, sir. It took away the true and give it a false. Now, remember, the leaf--the fruit, the palmerworm eat. The leaf, the locust eat. Now, the bark, the covering, the religion, the doctrine, the doctrine, the cankerworm got.*