

1. Last week I taught in part Gal 5:9 and when time expired we were in the process of a word study of the Greek word ζυμωω translated leaveneth.
2. Before continuing, I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
3. Here is an expanded translation of Gal 5:6-8.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:6 For when we place our faith in Christ Jesus, there is no benefit in being circumcised or being uncircumcised. What is important is faith operating through and by means of doctrine resident in our souls.

Gal 5:7 You got off to such a good start, exploding out from the blocks. What caused you to look back and then turn away from the truth?

Gal 5:8 The arguments of the person who is influencing you do not come from God Who is even now calling you.

4. So far we have exegeted that portion of verse nine which in the KJV is translated "A little leaven leaveneth ..." noting it might be better rendered "**Just a small amount of leaven kneaded into the loaf before baking leavens ...**"

5. Let's see how the entire verse is translated in the KJV.

KJV-New Sentence

Gal 5:9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.

6. Leaven is used by Paul for false doctrine. He makes it clear a little false doctrine can be destructive. In many denominations today, we see false doctrine being at first tolerated and then later accepted as "Truth."

7. Paul was afraid the churches in Galatia would soon slide down the slippery slope to rampant apostasy. It was Paul's intent to stop it before it completely minimized the work of Christ.

8. The little leaven refers to that message brought from Jerusalem. The message in a nut-shell was: "It's okay to be a Messianic Jew but remember you must also be circumcised and keep the law for salvation. Many Christians and non-Christians attending church today believe: "eternal security is a license to sin."

- 8.1 Those believing "eternal security is a license to sin" are effectively saying Christ's death was not enough. Keep in mind any spiritual moron who believes his or her security is a license to sin does not understand the disciplinary power of God.

9. Now let's return to our exegesis of the phrase the whole lump.

THE WHOLE LUMP Ο ΟΛΟΣ ΦΥΡΑΜΑ.

1. **Ho Holos Phurama** is better translated “the entire loaf.”

2. **Holos** is an adjective variously translated “whole, all, every whit” and “altogether.”
Example:

1Jo 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the **whole** world.

3. **Phurama** in the KJV is used to describe that “which is kneaded, mingled” or “reduced to a consistency.” It is often used of bread dough or to describe a potter’s clay that has been mixed to a consistent mass. Examples:

Rom 9:21 Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same **lump** to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

1Co 5:5 To deliver such a one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

1Co 5:6 Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole **lump**?

1Co 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new **lump**, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

1Co 5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

1Co 5:9 I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators:

1Co 5:10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.

4. Now let’s see how our entire verse looks by way of an expanded translation.

Expanded Translation

Gal 5:9 Just a small amount of leaven kneaded into the loaf before baking will leaven the entire loaf.

5. While we are here and teaching about leaven. Let’s take a look at the *Doctrine of the Feast of Unleavened Bread*.

Feast of the Unleavened Bread

1. The Feast of the Unleavened Bread was a week-long festival beginning on the Passover and lasting seven days. It was to commemorate the deliverance by the Lord of His people from Egypt.

Exo 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 forever.

2. No work was to be done during this week except for food preparation.

Lev 23:7 In the first day ye shall have a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

Lev 23:8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day is a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

3. Only unleavened bread was to be eaten during this week.

Exo 12:18 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of that month ... ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the 21st day of that month ...

4. The Festival was to celebrate the unlimited atonement for Israel provided by grace at the Passover and the new way of life.

4.1 Israel was to be a new nation unlike any other nation with a supernatural way of life, i.e., a theocracy and a righteous nation.

4.2 The feast was also called the Feast of Weeks; unleavened bread was a sign of no sin; the feast was a type of the reality to come, i.e., the Lord Jesus as the Messiah solving the sin problem during His marvelous week of victory.

5. Old Testament Scriptures

Exo 34:18 "Celebrate the Feast of Unleavened Bread. For seven days eat bread made without yeast, as I commanded you. Do this at the appointed time in the month of Abib, for in that month (our March-April) you came out of Egypt."

Exo 34:19 "The first offspring of every womb belongs to me, including all the firstborn males of your livestock, whether from herd or flock.

Exo 34:20 Redeem the firstborn donkey with a lamb, but if you do not redeem it, break its neck. Redeem all your firstborn sons. "No one is to appear before me empty-handed."

Exo 34:21 "Six days you shall labor, but on the seventh day you shall rest; even during the plowing season and harvest you must rest.

6. New Testament Scriptures

1Co 5:6 Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast works through the whole batch of dough?

1Co 5:7 Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast--as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.

1Co 5:8 Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with bread without yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth.

7. Now let's see what we can learn from Gal 5:10.

KJV-New Sentence

Gal 5:10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

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Gal 5:10 I am confident in the Lord that you will take no other view. The one who is throwing you into confusion will pay the penalty, whoever he may be.

I HAVE CONFIDENCE Εγω πειθω εις συ

1. **Ego Peitho Eis Su** is better “From my previous experience I have the greatest of confidence in you ...”

2. **Ego** is the 1st person pronoun declined as a nominative singular followed by the verb **Peitho** parsed as a 1st person singular perfect passive indicative. Next follows the prepositional phrase **Eis Su**.

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