

## 5. The Yeast (Leaven)

### Matthew 3:33-35 NLT

Jesus also used this illustration: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like the yeast a woman used in making bread. Even though she put only a little yeast in three measures of flour, it permeated every part of the dough.”

Jesus always used stories and illustrations like these when speaking to the crowds. In fact, he never spoke to them without using such parables. This fulfilled what God had spoken through the prophet:

“I will speak to you in parables. I will explain things hidden since the creation of the world.”

### Matthew 3:33-35 KJV

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.

All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.



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| ALWAYS     | HIDDEN    | SECRET  |
| BREAD      | KEPT      | SINCE   |
| CREATION   | LEAVEN    | SPOKEN  |
| CROWDS     | LITTLE    | STORIES |
| DOUGH      | MEAL      | THREE   |
| EXPLAIN    | MEASURES  | USED    |
| FACT       | MULTITUDE | UTTER   |
| FLOUR      | PART      | WITHOUT |
| FOUNDATION | PERMEATED | WORLD   |
| FULFILLED  | PROPHET   | YEAST   |