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INTRODUCTION

This is a simple publication or mini-book, and so, it's a bit different from my past ones because it was made very quickly on Google Docs, regardless, here is an explanation of the Scripture Mark 2:18-20, which is now known as the parable of the bridegroom & fasting.

THE METAPHORICAL MYSTERY EXPLAINED

The people who were asking Jesus Christ about His disciples' lack of fasting were considered rude and too nosy, so Jesus Christ trolled them and responded with a parable, so they would likely focus on "being wise" instead of Him and His disciples, and what they did or did not eat. It is assumed they thought that Jesus Christ said that His disciples are instructed to fast at a later time for whatever reason, and were therefore not engaging in fasting at that time. Hence, Jesus Christ behaves a certain way sometimes because He was very fond of communicating select information for the purpose of contributing to the Bible, and perhaps also making inside jokes with His disciples, although they often didn't always understand what He was initially saying either, but they learned eventually (Matthew 16:5-12).

Anyway, the bridegroom is a reference to Jesus Christ (likely the male equivalent spiritual title of The Bride, Isaiah 61:10), whose presence is comforting, reassuring and inspiring to His disciples, and therefore because He is present they have all the spiritual and emotional sustenance or food they need, and are thus not fasting. However, the fasting that is foretold, speaks of Jesus Christ's death, resurrection and ascension to Heaven, which is a point in time that the lives of the disciples would change, as He wouldn't be there anymore. Therefore, His disciples would have to go without the comfort, reassurance and inspiration they once gained from His presence, leadership and friendship.

- *Mark 10:16-20 - ¹⁶ "Behold, I send you out as sheep among wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. ¹⁷ But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils, and in their synagogues they will scourge you. ¹⁸ Yes, and you will be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony to them and to the nations. ¹⁹ But when they deliver you up, don't be anxious how or what you will say, for it will be given you in that hour what you will say. ²⁰ For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.*

Quick Bible Study Question: Why are the teachings of the Pharisees and Sadducees equated with yeast? What do you think the implication is?