I Is the Problem

Luke 12:1

... "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy."

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

"Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

Leviticus 23:15-17

"You shall count seven full weeks from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering. 16 You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath. Then you shall present a grain offering of new grain to the LORD. 17 You shall bring from your dwelling places two loaves of bread to be waved,..." made of two tenths of an ephah. They shall be of fine flour, and they shall be baked with leaven, as firstfruits to the LORD. אני אני έγω Ι

5 Symptoms of Ego in Daily Life:

(1) **The ego is all about making myself right and others wrong.** (It equates self with thought.)

(2)

The ego causes feelings of superiority and inferiority.

(Constant need to maintain the boundary of self.)

(3)

The ego equates *having* with *being*.

(We must *have* more to maintain the boundary of self.)

Luke 12:15 And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions"

(4) The ego equates *doing* with *being*.

(We must do more to maintain the boundary of self.)

Luke 10:41-42 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

(5) **The ego is the cause of all depression and unhappiness.** (I deserve MORE! Or LESS!) (Always compares self with others.)

- Ego is an illusory soul.
- The detachment from ego can take place almost instantaneously.
- Humility is a source of oneness with the other, and with the source.