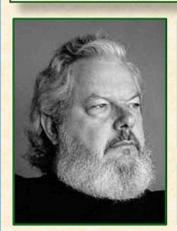
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Kingdom Fresh is the best! Why? There is Life inside!

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From Eliyahu

While I was preparing for tonight's meeting I came across these words of Yeshua:

"No man having drunk old wine immediately desires new, for he says, The old is better." (Luke 5:39)

This is not just true of wine, but seems to be true of many other foods as well. As I thought about this I wondered, why is that? So, being me, I decided to do a study on the question of why we sometimes seem to like to eat the familiar better. Here are some of the reasons I discovered:

1. Health Concerns

Some people stick to familiar foods due to health concerns or dietary restrictions. They might be cautious about trying new foods that could potentially cause them to feel unwell. Those of us who have no such problems might try to get such a person to eat something we like, that they reject, not being aware of their health issues. Not meaning to, this can put them in an awkward position, as if they have to explain their health problems every time they eat. I suggest, if someone doesn't want to eat something, its best to just let that be.

2. Sensory Preferences

It is common to think everything tastes and smells the same to every other person. This is not true. Everyone has unique sensory preferences when it comes to taste, smell, and texture. Familiar foods have already passed the taste and smell test of the individual, so align with personal preferences, making them more enjoyable. New foods might not meet those sensory expectations, while having something you know is a sure thing.

3. Habit and Routine

Eating habits are often ingrained in daily routines. People tend to eat the same foods regularly because it simplifies decision-making and meal preparation. Breaking this routine to try something new requires extra effort and planning.

The reasons above that people stick with the foods they know are mostly of a practical nature. However, there is a good bit of emotion involved with food as well.



Below are some of the emotional reasons people may prefer familiar foods:

4. Cultural and Social Influences

Cultural and social norms play a significant role in food preferences. People tend to eat what is common and accepted within their culture or social group. A person may choose the food that is accepted by their group rather than something else to feel like they fit in.

5. Past Experiences

Negative past experiences with trying new foods can create a lasting aversion. If someone has tried new foods before and had an unpleasant experience, they might be less inclined to take the risk again.

6. Fear of the Unknown

Trying new foods can be intimidating because it involves stepping out of one's comfort zone. The fear of not liking the taste, texture, or even the potential for an allergic reaction can deter people from experimenting with new foods.

7. Comfort and Security

Familiar foods provide a sense of comfort and security. They are associated with positive memories and experiences, often from childhood or special occasions. This emotional connection makes people feel safe and content.

All of this may be of interest to different people for different reasons. Yeshua was not a food critic, and neither am I. My primary interest here is spiritual. Yeshua mentioned this trait of wanting the familiar wine better than the new wine for a spiritual reason. What He was getting at was the tendency of the Pharisees to turn away from the new Kingdom 'wine' He was bringing, thinking what they already had was better.

But was it better? The power of Yeshua's new 'wine' was demonstrated in what He did. He cast out demons, healed the sick and even raised the dead. Isn't that better than the old traditions of the Pharisees? Why were they holding on to the old when something better was being offered to them? That's the point isn't it?

That's not just the Pharisees is it? We have lots of 'new wine' here at Tsiyon, and we often see people who won't even consider what we are offering. Why? The answer is to be found in the points above. Perhaps if we come to understand those reasons better, then we might learn how better to open people's minds to the Kingdom fresh 'wine' they may not of considered before.

Kingdom Fresh is the theme of this episode of Yeshua's Narrow Way that I will be streaming live at Tsiyon.Net at 8 PM, Central. We will also be streaming live on other video platforms and all are invited to this discussion of Matthew 9:1-17. Yeshua was bringing something Kingdom fresh, that could only be enjoyed by those who had the courage to sample something new. We will be sampling some of that tonight, and we invite you to step up to the table with us! This live stream will begin tonight at Tsiyon.Net at 8 PM, Central. Come and get some of that good Kingdom wine!

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"In the world you shall have tribulation; but be of good courage!

I have overcome the world." John 16:33

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