New Wineskins Luke 5:36-39

- Jesus tells this parable to grumbling Pharisees and scribes.
- Why were they grumbling?
 - Questioned their associations.
 - Questioned their actions.

- Four parts to the parable reveal...
- 1). Tearing a piece of a new garment to patch an old garment.
 - Comparison with two groups tied to failing ideologies:
 - Pharisees John and his disciples.
 - Meshing the new with the old won't work.

- Four parts to the parable reveal...
- 2). Putting new wine into old wineskins.
 - Trying to fit the system of faith within the framework of Judaism.
 - The Galatians and Cretans tried this.
 - · Gal. 2:11-21
 - Titus 1:10

- Four parts to the parable reveal...
- 3). Putting new wine into new wineskins.
 - The new (gospel) approach was to be poured into a new vessel, the church.
 - Eph. 3:6-11
 - The new system was all inclusive and not closed off.

- Four parts to the parable reveal...
- 4). People that drink old wine do not want the new wine.
 - People become satisfied and comfortable with what they are used to doing.
 - We are so drunk that we don't think soberly.

New Wineskins • What this parable doesn't teach:

- This parable must be interpreted as it involved Jesus's purpose for it.
- It was not intended to be used as a proof text for those who clamor for a new hermeneutic influenced by culture.