Questions for Gospel Harmony #45

Luke 12.1-12

1. What does it mean that Jesus began to say these things to the disciples “first of all”? What is “the leaven of the Pharisees”? Why would Jesus use this metaphor? (verses 1)

2. Why does Jesus warn them that what they have covered/hidden, done in darkness, and spoken in secret will be revealed? (verses 2-3)

3. How do Jesus address the disciples? Why does Jesus say they should fear God? (verses 4-5)

4. Why does Jesus make this comment about sparrows? What comfort would it give the disciples? (verses 6-7)

5. Is this the confession one makes before baptism? If not, what is special about this confession and how should Christians put this teaching into practice? (verses 8-9)

6. Why mention the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit in this context? (verse 10)

7. Does this passage mean that Christians do not need to think about what they should say in normal conversation? If not, what does it mean? (verses 11-12)