

All Night Prayer Service Session I in Malang, July 08, 2010 (Thursday Night)

Exodus 29: 1

29:1 *"And this is what you shall do to them to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests: Take one young bull and two rams without blemish,*

The requirement for ministering is holiness.

The three kinds of animal offering here have been fulfilled by Christ's sacrifice.

- A young bull= sin offering to finish sins,
- The first ram= fully surrendering offering,
- The second ram= consecration offering. Fully surrendering ourselves to God with our obedience, He will employ us.

If we are unwilling to be reconciled to finish sins, we will never be able to surrender ourselves fully to Him.

verse 10-14= the sin offering,

verse 15-18= the fully surrendering offering,

verse 19-35= the consecration offering.

We are learning about **verse 29-30**

29:29 *" And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed in them and to be consecrated in them.*

29:30 *"That son who becomes priest in his place shall put them on for seven days, when he enters the tabernacle of meeting to minister in the holy place.*

The high priest was Aaron. Now our High Priest is the Lord Jesus.

The priests were Aaron's sons. We are the priests now.

The priests had to wear the garments of high priest before ministering (verse 29).

Meaning we also receive the garment of Jesus, High Priest, when we are employed by God to minister Him in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

The garments mean our lives.

Thus, **one who is employed by God has the life of Jesus**, that is to say His characters, His power, heart and mind. We will do all things as Jesus does and have His charisma.

It is said in verse 30 *"That son who becomes priest in his place shall put them on for seven days."*

"7 days" means the figure of perfection.

Thus, **the Lord gives the priests His power until the world ends** to reach the perfection.

Therefore, do not stop ministering before we are perfect because we will still minister Him after we are perfect.

THE PRIESTS

Meaning people who are chosen from many servants of God to put the garments of high priest on and to minister God in the true ministry.

In short, not all people may put the garments on, **only those who are chosen.**

Nadab and Abihu were the examples of ones who died because their ministry was unworthy (they ministered with strange fire) so they cannot put the garments of high priest on.

Therefore, **let us minister with holiness and true ministry.**

Being employed by God, we have to take His example as our High Priest.

There are three examples of the High Priest as follows:

1. **Hebrews 5: 8-9**

5:8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

5:9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,

The first example is **the obedience.**

2. **Hebrews 7: 26**

7:26 For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens;

The second example we must take is **His holiness**.

3. **Hebrews 12: 2-3**

12:2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

12:3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

The third example is that we must **be strong and of good courage**. Meaning as follows:

- Holding fast one true teaching Word.
- Being faithful in committing service and ministry to the Lord.
- Not being disappointed or desperate in facing all matters but still believing and hoping only in God.
- Not sinning although there are threats, temptations, chances or advantages.

Ministering carelessly, for example with sinning, et cetera, one will become same with Nadab dan Abihu. Dryness in spirituality will come and the congregation will also be withered spiritually so the responsibility is double.

Ministering with taking the example of High Priest, we live in the hand of High Priest and He will never leave us alone.

Tonight He looks how our faith is. Let us have strong faith although all matters become worse. Do not sin.

The results of being strong and of good courage are below:

1. **Joshua 1: 5**

1:5 "No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life; as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you nor forsake you.

The first result is **we are employed in the revival of building Christ's body**.

2. **1 Chronicles 19: 13**

19:13 "Be of good courage, and let us be strong for our people and for the cities of our God. And may the LORD do what is good in His sight."

The second result is **the Lord makes all things beautiful in its time**. We just need to wait His time although now we still see many messy things in our lives.

3. **1 Chronicles 28: 20**

28:20 And David said to his son Solomon, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD God--my God--will be with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

The third result is **He is able to settle all our problems** although they are impossible. Besides, **He will finish the building of Christ's body in time of need and we become His Bride**.

Starting from tonight, let us live obediently and holily as well as be strong and of good courage to struggle together with the Lord.

God blesses you.