Bible Study Service in Malang, April 06, 2017 (Thursday Evening)

To Coincide with the Upgrading Service for the Priests and Priests to be III

Peace and grace in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Revelation 5:5-10

5:5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."

5:6 And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood <u>a</u> <u>Lamb as though it had been slain</u>, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

5:7 Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

5:8 Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

5:9 And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, 5:10 And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

John wept much in Patmos Island because the scroll was sealed or there was no revelation of God's Word.

We must also weep or fight to get the revelation of God's Word or the true teaching Word because where there is the revelation of God's Word there is the opening of ways or doors in the world up to the door heavenly kingdom is also opened.

Who is able to open the scroll or the revelation of God's Word?

- 1. Jesus as the Lion of the tribe of Judah or the Root of David who has prevailed.
- 2. Jesus as the Lamb of God who has been slain.

We are learning the first point.

Mark 13:28-29

13:28 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near.

13:29 "So you also, when you see these things happening, know that it is near--at the doors!

The revelation of God's Word which is related to Jesus as the Root of David means that the revelation of God's Word is useful for waiting for and welcoming Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

The root refers to the renewal. Thus, the revelation of God's Word renewsour life until we can be as perfect as Jesus is.

There are three kinds of renewal which are related to the fig tree as follows.

1. <u>The renewal in marriage</u>. It is related to the fig tree in garden Eden or paradise. The leaves are used to cover the nakedness of the marriage of Adam and Eve.

Genesis 2:23-24

2:23 And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

2:24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

In the beginning, God created Adam and Eve in the same glory as Him and He gave the glorious marriage to them. The marriage is given by God only to human.

The signs of the glorious life and marriage are as follows.

- $\circ\;$ There is unity in the marriage, so there is love to one another.
- There is obedience to God, so He is glorified, not embarrassed.
- $\circ\;$ There is the atmosphere of paradise.

Genesis 3:6-7

3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. 3:7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together

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and made themselves coverings.

Unfortunately, Satan destroyed the life and marriage of men with sin, so there was nakedness and they were ashamed. The sins that destroy men are as follows.

 $\circ~$ Disobedience to the command of God.

 $\circ~$ Making covering from the leaves of fig tree or self-truth to cover the nakedness.

Isaiah 64:6

64:6 But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as <u>a leaf</u>, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away.

Genesis 3:11-13

3:11 And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?"

3:12 Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate." 3:13 And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<u>The self-truth refers to covering the sins by blaming others, God, and Satan</u>. It means passing the sin to others, not finishing it. One who blames Satan will be the same as Satan and he cannot repent anymore. Only Satan, the father of liars and murderers, is in the life and marriage.

Genesis 3:14,17-19

3:14 So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You are cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And <u>you shall eat dust</u>All the days of your life. 3:17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life.

3:18 Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, And you shall eat the herb of the field.

3:19 In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread Till you return to the ground, For out of it you were taken; <u>For</u> <u>dust you are, And to dust you shall return</u>."

Consequently, he keeps on being the dust which only becomes the food of Satan.

Let us have the renewal in the marriage through the revelation of God's Word tonight, namely we can be gentle to confess and forgive sins one another. As a result, the blood of Jesus will finish all sins, so our marriage can be in one flesh. The marriage which has been scattered by Satan can be united again by the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

One husband + one wife = one flesh. There must be one mark only between the husband and wife, namely "+"or the cross of Jesus.

If the marriage becomes one flesh, it will be the house of prayer. The prayers are answered by God.

Matthew 18:19

18:19 "Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

It means that all problems are solved by God.

Ephesians 5:32

5:32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

The marriage which has been in one flesh will enter the greater unity, namely being the heavenly bride when Jesus comes a second time.

2. The renewal in consecration.

It is related to the fig tree by the road.

Matthew 21:18-19

21:18 Now in the morning, as He returned to the city, He was hungry.

21:19 And seeing <u>a fig tree by the road</u>, He came to it and <u>found nothing on it but leaves</u>, and said to it, "Let no fruit grow on you ever again." Immediately the fig tree withered away.

The fig tree had many leaves, but there was no fruit. Consequently, it was cursed by the Lord. If the marriage is cursed, the service and ministry will be cursed too and vice versa.

The atmosphere of curse refers to the spiritual dryness, namely the dry mouth in lies, gossips, and slanders. If the spiritual dryness continues, the fig tree will be dry up to the roots. It means that the conscience becomes dead as follows.

- Not regretting although living in sins up to the peak. It means that one enjoys living in sin up to the peak. He cannot be helped except by the mercy of God.
- Not feeling anything in the service and ministry to God. Serving to the lord becomes a habit or routine only. One also does not regret when he cannot serve and minister to God.

One who has actively served and ministered to God can be cursed by Him like the fig tree. Why?

• <u>Because it was planted by the road</u>. It means that <u>one is not shepherded</u>or planted in the temple. He does not persevere in doing the three main services to God. Consequently, he walks about and meets lion, namely Satan, who will devour and destroy him.

Being shepherded well and correctly, there is the intercession prayer from the pastor in the world as well as the Great Shepherd in the heavenly kingdom, so we are given the opportunity to bear fruits and please God's heart.

• Because of negligence in the service and ministry to God as well as in the sanctification.

Jeremiah 48:10

48:10 Cursed is he who does the work of the LORD deceitfully, And cursed is he who keeps back his sword from blood.

It happens because of <u>rejecting the true teaching Word</u>which is sharper than any two-edged sword that points at and sanctifies sins. It also happens because of hearing the Word without obeying it, so one does not experience the sanctification. He heaps us the sins in the stomach of his heart like Judas Iscariot. Consequently, the entrails gushed out. It means that all sins are revealed someday, but there will be no more forgiveness.

John 15:6

15:6 "If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned.

One who walks about is the same as a dry branch that does not abide in the true vine anymore. It means that he enters the revival of the building of Babylon who will be destroyed forever.

The renewal in the consecration means that we are shepherded, faithful in serving and ministering to God, and

holy. We will bear many fruits sooner or later if we are shepherded well and correctly, faithful, and holy, although we are like a small branch. As a result "My Father is the vinedresser." It means that our physical life is preserved abundantly by God, namely we always give thanks to Him. Spiritually, we are preserved until we have the atmosphere of paradise, namely the peaceful one. God also pleads our life, so Satan cannot make us fall or deceive us through sins up to the peak as well as false teachings. Our life can be beautiful and successful until Jesus' second coming.

3. The renewal in our heart.

It is related to the fig tree.

Mark 13:28

13:28 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near.

We must have a gentle heart. Then, our tongue will be gentle.

Acts 7:55-60

7:55 But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God,

7:56 and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

7:57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord;

7:58 and they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul.

7:59 And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

7:60 Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said

this, he fell asleep.

The heart and tongue can be gentle through the revelation of the Word and the sprinkling of blood or suffering in the flesh because of Jesus.

The facts found in the gentle heart and tongue are as follows.

- $\circ~$ The ability to forgive and forget the sins of other people although they have harmed us.
- $\circ~$ The ability to worship God in any circumstance. We can still worship God in our suffering.

As a result, the heavens are opened and we can see as well as experience the ministry of Jesus, the High Priest, who stands at the right hand of the throne of Father God.

Acts 7:55-56

7:55But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God,

7:56 and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

John 12:26

12:26 "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor.

Matthew 21:4-5

21:4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: 21:5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

"the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God" means that <u>Jesus is honoring us, His servants. He is</u> accompanying, paying attention to, caring, and struggling for us.

Exodus 33:2-3,15

33:2"And I will send My Angel before you, and I will drive out the Canaanite and the Amorite and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite.

33:3 "Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; for I will not go up in your midst, lest I consume you on the way, for you are a stiff-necked people."

33:15 Then he said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here.

God's accompanying cannot be traded by anything. He is with us until the end of age. He finishes all of our problems; even the impossible ones.

God blesses you.