

Bible Study Service in Malang, April 14, 2011 (Thursday Evening)

Matthew 26:6-13 is about the **PREPARATION OF PASSOVER**.

Matthew 26:12

26:12 "For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial."

The death of Jesus as Passover Lamb is useful in these two things:

1. To save men who are dead and rotten in sins or to heal destroyed mortar pot.
2. To pour out Holy Spirit to fill the mortar pot so it will not be destroyed anymore.

John 16:7

16:7. "Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you."

Matthew 26:7,12

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Life filled or anointed with Holy Spirit is as the woman pouring oil on Jesus' head and body to prepare His burial.

The fact found in the ministry of building Christ's body is **TRUE FELLOWSHIP**.

It begins in marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the perfect body of Christ.

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Having the true fellowship equals to eating together with Jesus.

Eating together equals to eating the spiritual food.

Thus, the true fellowship means eating the true spiritual food.

Hebrews 5:11-14

5:11 of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.

5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

5:13 For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.

5:14 But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

There are two kinds of spiritual food as follows:

1. Milk= gospel= good tidings.
The gospel is to bring sinful people to believe in Jesus and be saved.
The milk is also the food of novice in Christianity.
It is to add the quantity of the members of Christ's body.
2. Solid food= teaching Word sharper than any two-edged sword = Bride Tidings.
The solid food is only for Christians who are mature in spirituality.
The teaching Word sanctifies five senses and our whole life until we are perfect and spotless.
Thus, it is to reach the quality of the members of Christ's body until they become the perfect bride of God who is ready to welcome Jesus' second coming.

We have to join a fellowship but with heeding the food. There are two forbidden things about eating together as follows:

1. With people having sin characteristics as follows.

1 Corinthians 5:11

5:11 But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is (1) sexually immoral, or (2) covetous, or (3) an idolater, or (4) a reviler, or (5) a drunkard, or (6) an extortioner--not even to eat with such a person.

The term 'brother' refers to the servants of God or sons of God living in sins or keeping the six sins which have become flesh and blood or sin characters in their life.

2. With priests teaching other doctrine which is contrary to the doctrine we have received and experienced.

Romans 16:17

16:17. Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

2 Corinthians 4:18

4:18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

2 Kings 4:38-40

4:38. And Elisha returned to Gilgal, and there was a famine in the land. Now the sons of the prophets were sitting before him; and he said to his servant, "Put on the large pot, and boil stew for the sons of the prophets."

4:39 So one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered from it a lapful of wild gourds, and came and sliced them into the pot of stew, though they did not know what they were.

4:40 Then they served it to the men to eat. Now it happened, as they were eating the stew, that they cried out and said, "Man of God, there is death in the pot!" And they could not eat it.

The world will face physical famine or economic crises and spiritual one or the famine of God's Word in the last days. There will be many fellowships offering wild gourds, unknown food whose death is within it, at that time.

The wild gourds refer to these things:

1. Other doctrine which is contrary to the true shepherding Word we have received and experienced.
2. Doctrine that comes from knowledge, not from the revelation of the Word of God.

1 Timotius 6:20-21

6:20 O Timothy! Guard what was committed to your trust, avoiding the profane and idle babblings and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge--

6:21 by professing it some have strayed concerning the faith. Grace be with you. Amen.

We have to be alert with deceit because the victims are great people as follows:

- Eve has fallen because of false doctrine of serpent.
- Solomon has fallen because of opening chance for his wives to hold other doctrines.
- Judas.

2 Kings 4:41

4:41 So he said, "Then bring some flour." And he put it into the pot, and said, "Serve it to the people, that they may eat." And there was nothing harmful in the pot.

The thing we need in the true fellowship is flour, referring to **the true and pure teaching Word**, whose signs are as follows:

- Being written in Holy Bible.
- Being revealed by God, the secret is revealed by God through a verse explaining other verses.
- Being preached without any profit.

2 Corinthians 2:17

2:17 For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

- Being practiced.

The true teaching Word is able to settle the physical and spiritual famine.

2 Kings 4:42-44

4:42 Then a man came from Baal Shalisha, and brought the man of God bread of the firstfruits, twenty loaves of barley bread, and newly ripened grain in his knapsack. And he said, "Give it to the people, that they may eat."

4:43 But his servant said, "What? Shall I set this before one hundred men?" He said again, "Give it to the people, that they may eat; for thus says the LORD: 'They shall eat and have some left over.'"

4:44 So he set it before them; and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the LORD.

There will be the breaking of bread, referring to abundant preservation of God, if there is the true teaching Word.

How great our ministry/our job/our study is, it will be destroyed if there is poison within us.

We have to take heed to the RIGHT FOOD!

In fact, there are two possible things in eating together with Jesus, or being already in the true fellowship as follows:

John 13:21-23,26-30

13:21 When Jesus had said these things, He was troubled in spirit, and testified and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me."

13:22 Then the disciples looked at one another, perplexed about whom He spoke.

13:23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

13:26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.

13:27 Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

13:28 But no one at the table knew for what reason He said this to him.

13:29 For some thought, because Judas had the money box, that Jesus had said to him, "Buy those things we need for the feast," or that he should give something to the poor.

13:30 Having received the piece of bread, he then went out immediately. And it was night.

1. The negative possibility: Satan entered Judas Iscariot and he went away from Jesus.

It happened because Judas was hard-hearted and rejected the sanctification of the true teaching Word and Holy Communion. He kept his sins that he was a thief, liar, accuser, and hypocrite.

He kept his sins until he lost the anointing of Holy Spirit and Satan entered him. Consequently, he went away from the true fellowship of Christ's body.

Judas was the image of a part of Israelites rejecting Jesus because of their hard hearts. He left the true fellowship of Christ's body, and a chance is opened for the Gentiles, who are as dogs, to lick the crumbs or to enter into the true fellowship of Christ's body.

Matthew 15:21-22,24-28

15:21. Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon.

15:22 And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed."

15:23 But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us."

15:24 But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

15:25 Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!"

15:26 But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

15:27 And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table."

15:28 Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

Being willing to consume the Word and Holy Communion means we confess that we are only dogs which need the sanctification. The Gentiles who formerly were entered by Satan **can be healed and receive the anointing of Holy Spirit as well as rest in God.**

2. The positive possibility: John leaned on Jesus' bosom.

John was meek **to receive the sanctification done by the true teaching Word and Holy Communion.**

Luke 9:53-55

9:53 But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem.

9:54 And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?"

9:55 But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of."

The sanctified leans on Jesus' bosom, meaning **being obedient and being in the embrace of merciful hand of God.** Being healed, let us lean on Jesus' bosom.

John 10:28

10:28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand."

The results of leaning on Jesus' bosom is as follows:

- The merciful hand of God gives guarantee to do these things for sure:
 - a. To preserve our daily life up to the future life and the eternal one.
 - b. To protect us from disaster.
 - c. To help us, to finish all problems even the impossible ones.

- The hand of Shepherd exalts us in due time.

1 Peter 5:5-6

5:5. Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

Meaning the hand lifts us up from failure to success.

Peter has been failed even naked but the Lord is still able to exalt him.

- The hand of Shepherd lifts us up on glorious clouds and gives us the crown of glory until we sit on the throne of God.

1 Peter 5:4

5:4 and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

Revelation 3:20-21

3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

3:21 "To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.

God blesses you.