Bible Study Service in Malang, April 21, 2016 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:9

19:9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!"And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

The marriage supper of the Lamb is the meeting between Jesus who comes a second time in the glory as the King of all kings or the Heavenly Bridegroom, with the perfect congregation or the Heavenly Bride on the glorious clouds. Then, we enter the One Thousand Years Kingdom of Peace or the future Paradise [Revelation 20] and the eternal heavenly kingdom or the New Jerusalem [Revelation 21-22].

Revelation 3:21

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.

We sit with Jesus on the heavenly throne forever and become His possession forever.

Matthew 22:21

22:21 They said to Him, "Caesar's." And He said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

The highest ownership is the one of the bridegroom to the bride.

John 3:29a

3:29 "He who has the bride is the bridegroom;

The bride or the body becomes the possession of the Bridegroom or the Head. Nothing may charge against Him forever.

Jesus experienced three kinds of test about the ownership to possess us, His bride, forever in Matthew 22:15-18 as follows.

- 1. The conspiracy of the Pharisees and the Herodians or the wrong fellowship to attack the true one.
- 2. Politic or making all ways legal to reach something.
- 3. Hypocrisy.

Likewise, the church must also experience the test of ownership so that we can possess Jesus and become His possession forever. **Luke 22:31-34**

22:31 And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.

22:32 "But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren."

22:33 But he said to Him, "Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death."

22:34 Then He said, "I tell you, Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day before you will deny three times that you know Me."

<u>The test of the ownership toward the church is the same as a winnowing</u>. The church experiences the winnowing <u>two</u> <u>times</u>as follows.

1. By Satan

The purpose is to make the church deny God and fail to be the possession of God.

2. **By God**.

Matthew 3:12

3:12 "His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

The purpose is to separate the chaff from the wheat. It is the same as purification to make us the possession of God forever.

The spiritual meanings of the chaff are as follows.

a. Christians or God's servants who look for or are satisfied by the physical things only, but being empty. They are not filled with the true teaching Word.

1 Corinthians 15:19

15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

Their lives are more pitiable than the people who do not believe in Jesus. They live in suffering and sorrow until being burnt in the fire of the hell to perish forever.

b. Christians or God's servants who do not want to confess the sins, but only blame others and God or the true teaching Word.
1 John 1:9-10

1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1:10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

They are the empty Christians who only use the self-truth without the truth of the Word. They become the dwelling place of seven spirits of Satan and the condition is worse than the beginning. They are perfect in evil and uncleanness as the woman of Babylon or the bride of Satan who will be destroyed.

The spiritual meaning of the wheat is Christians or God's servants who prioritize the true teaching Word regardless of any risk they must take. They are being filled by the Shepherding Word continually. It refers to the Word God trusts to a pastor that he may preach to the congregation continually and repetitively as the food. The congregation is being filled continually to be the ripe wheat or as perfect as Jesus is.

The Shepherding Word becomes the command in the congregation to decide what to do so that they do not lose their way to go to the New Jerusalem or the last shepherding pen.

Only a pastor whom God appoints may provide the food for the congregation.

The place to be filled with the ripe wheat is in the sheepfold.

Moses received the command of God to build the heavenly kingdom in the world, namely Tabernacle. There are three rooms in it as follows.

1. The Court.

Exodus 27:9

27:9 "You shall also make the court of the tabernacle. For the south side there shall be hangings for the court made of fine woven linen, one hundred cubits long for one side.

It refers to believing in Jesus or the Gate, repenting or the Altar of Burnt Offerings, water baptism or the brazen Laver, and Holy Spirit baptism or the Veil. We are saved and blessed by God. In such condition, we become the unripe wheat because we only have the skin or the chaff.

2. The Holy Place or the shepherding pen.

Exodus 26:33

26:33 "And you shall hang the veil from the clasps. Then you shall bring the ark of the Testimony in there, behind the veil. The veil shall be a divider for you between the holy place and the Most Holy.

The chaff must be filled to be the ripe grain in the shepherding pen.

3. The Most Holy Place or perfection. We become the ripe wheat.

The process to fill the ripe wheat in the shepherding pen is as follows.

1. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service.

Acts2:41-42

2:41 Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.

2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Romans 10:17

10:17So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

We hear the shepherding Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit, so we can hear it seriously until we understand and believe in it and it becomes faith in our heart.

The results are as follows.

- a. We feel the true satisfaction of heaven, so we do not look for the worldly one. We do not fall in sin.
- b. The shepherding Word becomes a brake so that we do not sin.

Psalm 119:11

119:11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You!

We can live in the righteousness or by faith.

Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion. Acts2:42

2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrineand fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

We digest the food of the shepherding Word in the bible Study Service until it becomes small parts or the nutrition. It means that the Word is revealed until we can absorb it and it is ingrained in our life or we can practice it. The results are as follows.

a. We can endure.

Matthew 7:24-25

7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

7:25 "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

We are wise. We have the wisdom of heaven.

We can endure in facing the winnowing of the trinity of Satan as follows.

- The heavy rain from heaven. It refers to Satan with evil and unclean spirits encouraging men to commit sins up to the peak, namely sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.
- The winds or false prophets with the false teachings and gossips.
- The floods or the antichrist with the power of economy.

b. We can live in holiness or hope.

1 Peter 1:22a

1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth ...

The shepherding Word becomes our hope.

The holy people have hope and can be hoped.

1 John 3:2-3

3:2Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

3:3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

The highest hope is being as perfect as Jesus is.

The shepherding Word is digested until it becomes very small parts in the Bible Study Service. It means that the Word is revealed to sanctify us from our sins up to the small and hidden ones we often do not realize. As a result, we can be as perfect as Jesus is.

3. Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Prayer Service.

The nutrition of the Word is absorbed, so it becomes characters in our life. Jesus' characters become ours.

John 14:15

14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments.

One of the characters of Jesus is love.

1 Peter 1:22

1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

We can love others as we love ourselves; even we can love our enemy.

We always do good deeds to others. We can give alms to other people who are in need; even we can repay good for evil. We can love God more than anything. We pray and worship God much more. We only believe and hope in Him.

Acts10:1-2, 4

10:1 There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of what was called the Italian Regiment, 10:2 a devout man and one who feared God with all his household, who gave alms generously to the people, and prayed

to God always.

10:4 And when he observed him, he was afraid, and said, "What is it, lord?" So he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have come up for a memorial before God.

Our prayer and alms will come up before God as the sweet-smelling aroma before Him. The Lord remembers, pays attention to, cares, and struggles for us.

Isaiah 49:14-16

49:14But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And my Lord has forgotten me."

49:15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you.

49:16 See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.

Do not be hopeless in facing the winnowing or temptations and problems. Do not hope in others, but let us be filled with the wheat or the Word in the shepherding. We are like a baby in the embrace of God's hand. The results are as follows.

- a. The merciful hands of God are able to preserve and protect us in the midst of difficulties in the world up to the days when the antichrist reigns over the world.
- b. The merciful hands of God are able to bear all weariness and heavy burden, so all things become easy and light.
- c. The merciful hands of God are able to guide us to the last shepherding, namely the New Jerusalem.

Revelation 21:12

21:12 Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

We get the life renewal from fleshly man to spiritual one.

Revelation 21:11

21:11 having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal.

It begins from **honesty and believing or being clear as crystal**. We are like a baby crying to God. The merciful hand of God brings us to the beautiful and successful future life in time. The merciful hand of God is able to do all things we cannot do. We are changed to be the perfect bride when Jesus comes a second time. We are ready to welcome Jesus' second coming until we sit with Him on the throne of the New Jerusalem.

God blesses you.