

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 03, 2023 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:16

19:16. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 19:11-16 refers to the second coming of Jesus as the High Priest who is Faithful and True. He sits on a white horse. It means that He leads the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain. He has on His robe a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Colossians 4:1

4:1. Masters, give your bondservants what is just and fair, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.

Jesus is a Master in heaven. He is the Master of masters in the world, and the master in the world is the head of their servants in the world. Honoring Jesus as the Lord of lords means that the masters in the world must be honest and fair to their servants. Otherwise, they will face the Lord in heaven to punish them.

In the ministry, Jesus is the High Priest. He is the Master in heaven. He is also the Head of the masters in the world. The masters in the world refer to the shepherd and the priests, namely the servant of God who becomes the keeper of God's servants in the world. The shepherd and all of God's servants must become an example.

Jesus as the Lord of lords means that He is the High Priest, namely the Head of priests. He is also the Head of kings in the world. Thus, Jesus as the King of kings and the Lord of lords means that He appears as the High Priest, namely the Head of priests and kings.

Hebrews 7:11

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The two orders of priesthood are as follows:

1. In the Old Testament, the priesthood was set according to the order of Aaron, namely the Law. The High Priest and the priests came from the ascendants of the Israelites. At that moment, Aaron was the High Priest and his sons were the priests.
2. In the New Testament, the priesthood is set according to the order of Melchizedek. The High Priest is Jesus, and the priests are those who minister to God according to the ministry that God gives to them.

The order of Aaron--the Law--must be changed into the one of Melchizedek because of the things as follows:

1. According to the order of Aaron, only the tribe of Levi of the Israelites can become the High Priest and priests, while Jesus comes from the tribe of Judah. **According to the order of Melchizedek, the tribe of Judah can also minister to God; even the Gentiles can also minister to God.**

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7:12. For the priesthood being changed, of necessity there is also a change of the law.

7:13. For He of whom these things are spoken belongs to another tribe, from which no man has officiated at the altar.

7:14. For it is evident that our Lord arose from Judah, of which tribe Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood.

7:15. And it is yet far more evident if, in the likeness of Melchizedek, there arises another priest

So, there are opportunity and mercy for the Gentiles to become the priests and kings. If we are moved by God, let us minister to Him soon.

2. According to the order of the Law, Aaron must be changed by his son when he dies. But, **according to the order of Melchizedek, Jesus is the High Priest forever**. He cannot be changed by anyone.

Hebrews 7:16-17,23-24

7:16. *who has come, not according to the law of a fleshly commandment, but according to the power of an endless life.*

7:17. *For He testifies: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."*

7:23. *Also there were many priests, because they were prevented by death from continuing.*

7:24. *But He, because He continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood.*

We can learn from the order of Melchizedek that we are the priests forever. We keep ministering until the end of our life in the world even forever. Those who sleep in Jesus will be risen. Do not follow the false thing! There is no retirement for the ministry to God.

3. The High Priest which is called according to the order of Aaron cannot perfect God's people, because Aaron is also the sinner. **Jesus as the High Priest is spotless, so He is able to perfect us, so we become the perfect priests and kings.**

Hebrews 7:25-28

7:25. *Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.*

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;*

7:27. *who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.*

7:28. *For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.*

We have been appointed as the priests and kings, so **we have to fulfill the task of the priests and kings as follows:**

1. 1 Peter 2:9-10

2:9. *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*

2:10. *who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.*

A priest must **testify** about the thing that God has done for us by the working of the true teaching Word, namely He has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. We are changed to be well pleasing before God. Do not let the opposite happen! The priest must not become the stumbling-block, because he will be thrown down up to perdition forever.

2. 1 Peter 2:5

2:5. *you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

The priests **offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God**. Our sacrifices must have spiritual value. It means the offering which is followed by the holiness and anointing of Holy Spirit. A priest must be in the Holy Place, namely the perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God, so our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God. If we are anointed by Holy Spirit, our ministry will be in order and regularity, and we can experience the heavenly bliss.

Leviticus 21:12

21:12. *'nor shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the consecration of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD.*

The offering in the blood sign is the ministry that is full of sacrifices such as time, power, *et cetera*, and not looking for the physical advantage.

We become the house of prayer. We start our ministries by worshipping God to ask His power and employment. Then, we give thanks to God after ministering.

If we do not worship, our ministry will not be in order and regularity anymore, namely our ministry is without holiness and the anointing of Holy Spirit.

Not worshipping is the same as not relying on God but own ability, so the house of prayer becomes the den of thieves. Consequently, one will be whipped, beaten, and punished by God.

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The priests **minister to the spiritual house**, namely we are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain--the one of white horse--or the one of the building of the perfect body of Christ. The building of the body of Christ starts from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding until the Israelites and the Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ. We are ready to greet Jesus when He comes a second time.

The building or the fellowship of the body of Christ is like a branch that abides in the true vine. The fellowship must be in line with the true teaching Word of Jesus. That is why the priest and kings must hear and obey the true teaching Word, nothing else. We may not hear the false teaching or the strange voice.

The true teaching Word is signified with the things as follows:

1. It is written in the Bible, so it has the winning power over temptation.
2. It is spoken or revealed by God through one verse that explains the other verses in the Holy Bible, so it has the purification power. The Word of purification dares to reveal the true marriage and ordination.
3. It is not preached for the physical advantage, but it is preached with sacrifice. Our ministry does not intend to get the physical advantage, but the great gain, namely the two wings of a great eagle, that we may fly into the wilderness, far from the eyes of the Antichrist. The two wings of a great eagle cannot be replaced by anything.

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.

4. It must be practiced, namely we hear and obey it, so we experience the purification of our body, soul, and spirit. As a result, we will bear many sweet fruits sooner or later. We are taken care of physically and spiritually until we receive the biggest and sweetest fruit, namely we become the perfect heavenly bride.

Isaiah 30:1-3

30:1. "Woe to the rebellious children," says the LORD, "Who take counsel, but not of Me, And who devise plans, but not of My Spirit, That they may add sin to sin;

30:2. Who walk to go down to Egypt, And have not asked My advice, To strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, And to trust in the shadow of Egypt!

0:3. Therefore the strength of Pharaoh Shall be your shame, And trust in the shadow of Egypt Shall be your humiliation.

Be watchful! There is the false fellowship, namely the one that depends on Egypt. It means depending on something in the world such as intelligence, riches, position, certain human figures, and so on, but without the true teaching Word. Consequently, one may add sin to sin, the words become dry, namely lying, slandering, gossiping, *et cetera*. It continues until he experiences the spiritual death up to perdition forever.

We must always be in the true fellowship of the body of Christ, starting from marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding. It is like a branch that abides in the true vine. We experience the purification, so we bear the sweet fruit up to the sweetest one, namely we become God's bride, and we can place Jesus as the Head, the High Priest, and the King of kings--the true vine--in our marriage, ministry, shepherding, and our whole life.

The relationship between the body and the Head is in the neck. Our relationship with God is in the prayer.

Exodus 28:31-32

28:31. " You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

28:32. "There shall be an opening for his head in the middle of it; it shall have a woven binding all around its opening, like the opening in a coat of mail, so that it does not tear.

The blue color refers to the resurrection. There shall be an opening for his head in the middle of the robe of the ephod. It means that Jesus as the High Priest and the King of kings must exactly be in the middle. It refers to the justice of Jesus about the prayer, namely all of us can worship Him anywhere, anytime, and in any circumstances to surrender all things to Him. That is why we as the priests may not be on the side of others.

The meanings of the neck are as follows:

1. The neck is the way of the body to the Head. The worship is the way of the church of God to become perfect like the Head, namely Jesus, the High Priest and the King of kings.
2. The neck is the way of the Head to the body. The worship is the way of the church of God to receive all things we need from Jesus, the High Priest and the King of kings.

'it shall have a woven binding all around its opening, like the opening in a coat of mail, so that it does not tear' means that we must be strong in prayer, namely an hour prayer, fasting prayer, and all night-long prayer, including individually or together with other members in congregation, fellowship, and family. As a result, we experience the resurrection power to defeat the enemy, especially the three major enemies, namely sin, the flesh, and the world.

- **James 4:4**

4:4. Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

The world with all of its business, joy and sadness often makes us unfaithful. We defeat the world through the prayer, so we can become faithful until Jesus comes a second time.

- **Romans 8:7**

8:7. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

The flesh and its lusts make us disobedient to parents, shepherd, and God. If the flesh is defeated, we will become obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore.

- **1 Corinthians 15:26**

15:26. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

If the sin is defeated, we will live in righteousness and holiness.

If we become the priests and kings who are true, faithful, obedient, and holy, we will experience the resurrection power of God to defeat all of challenges, obstacles, and temptations. We can follow and minister to God until He comes a second time. We are used in the revival of the building of the perfect body of Christ. Jesus is the Head who is responsible to the point of death on the cross for us.

But, if 'the neck' is torn, the three things in our life will be torn too as follows:

1. The nets are torn. The nets refer to working, economy, and study--the physical nets--, and the ministry--the spiritual nets.

Mark 1:19

1:19. When He had gone a little farther from there, He saw James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the boat mending their nets.

2. The robe is torn. It means losing Holy Spirit, so the ministry becomes dry.

For example, Saul seized the edge of Samuel's robe, and it tore. The consequence of the torn robe is losing heart or getting disappointed and desperate in the impossibility. Saul lived in envy and hatred even hatred without a cause until he became a murderer because of the other who was used by God. His words were not good, namely cursing others. It happens in the marriage, shepherding, *et cetera*.

1 Samuel 17:31-33

17:31. Now when the words which David spoke were heard, they reported them to Saul; and he sent for him.

17:32. Then David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine."

17:33. And Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are a youth, and he a man of war from his youth."

1 Samuel 18:8-9,11

18:8. Then Saul was very angry, and the saying displeased him; and he said, "They have ascribed to David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed only thousands. Now what more can he have but the kingdom?"

18:9. So Saul eyed David from that day forward.

18:11. And Saul cast the spear, for he said, "I will pin David to the wall!" But David escaped his presence twice.

1 Samuel 20:30

20:30. Then Saul's anger was aroused against Jonathan, and he said to him, "You son of a perverse, rebellious woman! Do I not know that you have chosen the son of Jesse to your own shame and to the shame of your mother's nakedness?"

3. Bursting open in the middle.

The example is Judas Iscariot. He burst open in the middle because he was a thief, betrayer, and liar. Consequently he produced decay and had no forgiveness anymore.

Acts 1:18

1:18. (Now this man purchased a field with the wages of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his entrails gushed out.

The way out is the death of Jesus on the cross.

John 19:32-34

19:32. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him.

19:33. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

19:34. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

Jesus has died with the four main injuries on the cross to restore the things that have been torn in the Israelites. But, the fifth injury at Jesus' side which is pierced with a spear, of which blood and water come out, is able to restore the things that have been torn in the Gentiles.

Zechariah 12:10

12:10. "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

Our attitude is looking on Jesus' side and mourning. It means worshipping with a broken heart. We cry out to God, so we experience the sign of blood and water.

The blood sign refers to the repentance. The water sign refers to the baptism of water and Spirit. We confess our sin and forgive others' sin, so Jesus' blood takes away our sin. We can repent. Further, we are reborn. It is the new life, namely life in righteousness. We trust and commit ourselves to God.

John 19:36

19:36. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, "Not one of His bones shall be broken."

We will experience the power of the bone that is not broken. It refers to the resurrection power of God. God is able to restore the thing that has been torn physically, namely He increases our study, working, and future. He makes all things beautiful in due time. Even, God is able to restore the ministry that has been torn and broken.

Spiritually, we can minister and worship God delightfully. We are always satisfied, so we can give thanks to God. God protects and takes care of us who are small and powerless in the world until the time when the Antichrist reigns over the world. He takes care of us until not one hair of us shall fall.

God is able to protect and take care of us up to perfection. We are ready to greet Jesus when He comes a second time. We enter the New Jerusalem where there are no tears and broken bone. Not one hair of us shall fall.

Revelation 21:2,4

21:2. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

21:4. "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

God blesses us.