

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 06, 2015 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 3:7

3:7 *"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, â€œThese things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens":*

Jesus appears as He who has the key of David.

The key of David physically means the key of the kingdom of Israel that was held by King David and given to the person who was worthy to get it, namely Solomon.

David got the key of David in the shepherding. He was obedient and faithful. He had a heart of a servant.

Genesis 6:5

6:5 *Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.*

Men in the world had a heart that tends to do evil, unfaithfulness, disobedience, and sins, up to the peak, so they were destroyed by the flood.

1 Peter 3:20-21

3:20 *who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.*

3:21 *There is also an antitype which now saves usâ€”"baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,*

We get the life renewal in our heart through water baptism. Evil heart can be changed into good conscience that is obedient and faithful, so we can get the key of David.

The key of David spiritually means the key of heavenly kingdom that is held by Jesus and given to the people who are worthy to get it. Jesus is obedient and faithful to the point of death of the cross and He receives the key of David to do three great things as follows.

1. Opening the door that cannot be shut by anyone [Revelation 3:8].
2. Giving victory over the synagogue of Satan [Revelation 3:9].
3. Keeping us from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world [Revelation 3:10]

We still learn the first thing.

Revelation 3:8

3:8 *"I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name.*

Jesus is obedient and faithful to the point of death of the cross to open the Veil or perfection for us.

Matthew 27:50-51

27:50 *And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit.*

27:51 *Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split,*

There are three kinds of entrance in Tabernacle as follows.

1. The Gate (salvation).
2. The Door (holiness).
3. The Veil (perfection).

The Veil is opened, so the Ark of the Covenant can be seen clearly. **The Ark of the Covenant consists of two parts as follows.**

1. The mercy seat.

Exodus 25:17-19

25:17 *"You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold; two and a half cubits shall be its length and a cubit and a half its width.*

25:18 *"And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work you shall make them at the two ends of the mercy seat.*

25:19 *"Make one cherub at one end, and the other cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim at the two ends*

of it of one piece with the mercy seat.

It is made of pure gold or godly matter. The parts are as follows.

- a. The first cherub that refers to Father God (the Lord).
- b. The mercy seat with the sprinkling of blood. It refers to the Son of God (Jesus).
- c. The second cherub that refers to Holy Spirit God (Christ).

Thus, the mercy seat that is made of pure gold refers to the Lord Jesus Christ in the glory as the Heavenly Bridegroom.

2. The ark.

Exodus 25:10-11

25:10 " And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two and a half cubits shall be its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height.

25:11 "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around.

It is made of acacia wood that is overlaid with gold inside and out. It refers to the sinful men that must be overlaid with the Word, Holy Spirit, and the love of God until they are perfect as the heavenly bride.

Exodus 25:11

25:11 "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around.

There must be the molding of gold all around the ark to make the mercy seat not move from the ark.

2 Samuel 6:6-7

6:6 And when they came to Nachonâ's threshing floor, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled.

6:7 Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his error; and he died there by the ark of God.

Uzzah tried putting out his hand to the Ark of the Covenant. It refers to a servant of God tries mixing the teaching Word or Tabernacle teaching with logic or other things until he falls and goes towards the wrong direction.

We must have the spiritual molding of gold to make close relationship to God that cannot be separated forever. **The spiritual molding of gold means as follows.**

1. The fear of the Lord.

Psalms 25:14

25:14 The secret of the LORD is with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant.

The facts found in it are as follows.

- a. Serving and ministering to God faithfully and sincerely.

Joshua 24:14

24:14 " Now therefore, fear the LORD, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the LORD!

- b. Hating sins and lie.

Proverbs 8:13

8:13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate.

One who serves and ministers to God faithfully and correctly will be used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain.

Revelation 19:11

19:11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

Psalm 33:18-19

33:18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy,

33:19 To deliver their soul from death, And to keep them alive in famine.

God pays attention to, cares for, and struggles for such person who has the fear of the Lord. As a result, he is saved (there is no perdition) and preserved physically in the miraculous abundance (he can give thanks) and spiritually (there is spiritual satisfaction through the revelation of the Word). He will not fall in the persecution of the antichrist, but be evacuated.

2. Honesty.

Proverbs 3:32

3:32 For the perverse person is an abomination to the LORD, But His secret counsel is with the upright.

- a. It begins from the honesty about God or the true teaching Word.

Titus 2:7

2:7 in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; indoctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility,

- b. Honesty about marriage.

Hebrews 13:4

13:4 Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

We must keep the truth according the Word, holiness, and unity in our marriage so that we can reach the unity of the spiritual marriage.

- c. Honesty about finance.

Hebrews 13:5

13:5 Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

As a result, God is always with us. We become the house of prayer and He answers our prayer.

Proverbs 15:8

15:8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, But the prayer of the upright is His delight.

Hebrews 13:6

13:6 So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"

He is able to help us and solve all impossible problems. No one can touch us, even Satan.

Proverbs 15:8a

15:8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, â€œ

Serving and ministering to God without honesty is the same as wickedness.

3. The longing of the church to have the fellowship with the Lord always.

It begins from the longing to hear and obey the true teaching Word like a baby that always longs for the pure spiritual milk. God does not look at our greatness or weakness, but the longing heart.

King David was a great person, but he always longed for the shepherding Word.

Psalm 119:20

119:20 My soul breaks with longing For Your judgments at all times.

The woman of Canaan had a broken heart to long for the crumbs or the true teaching Word and Holy Communion. She got the help in her destroyed life and marriage.

Matthew 15:27

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

John 13:23

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

Longing to hear and obey the true teaching Word more than anything is the same as loving God more than anything. We are like John who leaned on Jesus's bosom and the mercy seat that attaches to the ark and cannot be separated from it. Do not be like Judas Iscariot that kept the sin and went like the mercy seat is released from the ark.

John 21:20-22

21:20 Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?"

21:21 Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?"

21:22 Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me."

We only need to lean on Jesus's bosom. Our death and life become His. He is able to open the door of preservation miraculously in the midst of difficulties in the world. He is also able to open the door of help for us and solve all problems, even the impossible ones. He is able to open the door of beautiful and successful future life. The hand of God's goodness and mercy is able to change our life until we are perfect and lifted up to sit on the throne of heaven with the Lord.

God blesses you.