

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 08, 2013 (Thursday Evening)

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

Matthew 28:20b

28:20 ... and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

God is with us until the end of age. It means He is with us from now on in the midst of many difficulties in the world until the time when the antichrist reigns over the world for three years and six months, Jesus comes a second time on glorious clouds, and we sit together with Him on the throne of New Jerusalem.

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 need the accompaniment of God absolutely. Nothing in the world may replace it.

Who may get it until they can sit together with Him on the throne of heaven? They are the people who overcome together with Jesus.

Revelation 17:14

17:14 **"These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."**

The requirement to overcome together with Jesus is being called, chosen, and faithful.

Being called means we are saved and justified through believing in Jesus, repenting, and being baptized of water and Holy Spirit.

Being chosen means we are shepherded and sanctified to be exalted as the priests and kings.

Moreover, we must be faithful.

Thus, the requirement to overcome together with Jesus is we must become priests and kings who serve and minister to God faithfully until Jesus comes a second time.

Matthew 25:21

25:21 "His lord said to him, *Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.*"

One of the measurements of having faithfulness in doing the service and ministry to God is being good and faithful as follows.

1. **To serve and minister to God faithfully with good conscience.**

Hebrews 13:18

13:18 *Pray for us; for we are confident that we have a good conscience, in all things desiring to live honorably.*

The good conscience will be able to distinguish the right and false matters. It means we have obedience.

2. **To serve and minister to God faithfully with good deeds and saying.**

Romans 12:17

12:17 *Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.*

The good deed means we do not give disadvantage to other people, but we help them although there is a risk, namely they are hostile to us and we must suffer. The good deed also means we do not repay evil for evil, but good for evil.

The good saying means we do not lie, slander, or provoke the anger of others.

3. **To serve and minister to God with good name to glorify God.**

Proverbs 22:1

22:1 *A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, Loving favor rather than silver and gold.*

Our good name contains the name of God and the true teaching Word.

Matthew 25:21

25:21 "His lord said to him, *Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.*

The results of being good and faithful are as follows.

1. We are trusted with great matter by God. We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain for building the perfect body of Christ. It happens until we get the great matter, namely the two wings of a great eagle that will fly us to the wilderness, far away from the presence of the antichrist for three years and six months. We are preserved and protected directly by God.

Bible Study Service is as training for us to flee to the wilderness.

2. The two wings of a great eagle will lift us up on the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time. We will enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God, the kingdom of peace a thousand years, and we sit together with Jesus on the throne of heaven forever.

Matthew 25:26, 30

25:26 "But his lord answered and said to him, *You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.*

25:30 *And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.*

We must be alert because there will be many servants of God and priests who become wicked and lazy when the time of Jesus's second coming draws near.

Proverbs 18:9

18:9 *He who is slothful in his work is a brother to him who is a great destroyer.*

Lazy servant will not be good for sure. He will destroy and torment the body of Christ.

Matthew 18:31-35

18:31 "So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done.

18:32 "Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, *You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me.*

18:33 *Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?*

18:34 "And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

18:35 "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

The wicked servant ministers to God without any forgiveness and mercy, but judging to others. In such condition, other people will become sorrowful and God will be angry.

The example of the wicked and lazy servant is **the taskmasters and their officers** when the house of Israel is going out of Egypt. The house of Israel is in forced labor of Pharaoh, referring to Satan. The sequence after Pharaoh is the taskmasters from Egyptians and their officers from the Israelites as follows.

Pharaoh --> taskmasters --> officers --> congregation.

Exodus 5:6-7

5:6 *So the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people and their officers, saying,*

5:7 *"You shall no longer give the people straw to make brick as before. Let them go and gather straw for themselves.*

The taskmasters are from the Egyptians. They refer to the servants of God who do not repent or get life renewal. They minister to God with worldly manners.

The ministry with worldly manners will destroy the work of God and torment the congregation. Such ministry will make God angry.

The officers are from the Israelites. They refer to the servants of God who have repented and gotten the life renewal, but they minister to God not according to the ministry and the gifts of God, even they have left the ministry.

The officers also destroy and torment the body of Christ.

The main duties of pastor are as follows.

- To feed the congregation with righteous food, namely the true teaching Word.
- To lift up intercession prayer to seek for protection and the lost sheep.

- To visit the congregation who is in need.

The duty of sheep is to consume the Shepherding Word. The sheep has gotten all things when it has been able to eat.

Exodus 5:14,20-21

5:14 Also the officers of the children of Israel, whom Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten and were asked, "Why have you not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and today, as before?"

5:20 Then, as they came out from Pharaoh, they met Moses and Aaron who stood there to meet them.

5:21 And they said to them, "Let the LORD look on you and judge, because you have made us abhorrent in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to kill us."

The taskmasters beat the officers and the officers scold Moses and Aaron. Thus, the taskmasters and the officers are the servants of God who always accuse and blame the other servants of God.

In such condition, they do not minister to God, but Satan.

The taskmasters and officers are the wicked and lazy servants. Consequently, they are unprofitable [Matthew 25:30], even they destroy and torment the body of Christ. Finally, they are cast to the outer darkness, namely the hell and perdition.

The example of the servant of God who is good and faithful is Moses and Aaron.

The sequence is from God -->Moses -->Aaron -->congregation.

Moses and Aaron refer to the people who are called, chosen, as well as good and faithful until the end.

Exodus 6:16, 18, 20

6:16 These are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari. And the years of the life of Leviwere one hundred and thirty-seven.

6:18 And the sons of Kohath were Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel. And the years of the life of Kohathwere one hundred and thirty-three.

6:20 Now Amram took for himself Jochebed, his father's sister, as wife; and she bore him Aaron and Moses. And the years of the life of Amramwere one hundred and thirty-seven.

Exodus 7:7

7:7 And Moses was eighty years oldand Aaron eighty-three years oldwhen they spoke to Pharaoh.

From among many nations in the world, only Israel is chosen. From among the twelve tribes of Israel, only five people are chosen and the ages are counted, namely Levi, Kohath, Amram, Moses, and Aaron. Thus, there is a tight selection for us to become the good faithful servant of God.

Moreover, it is for us, the Gentiles, who may serve and minister to God. It is only because of the mercy and trust of God through the drop of Jesus' blood. Do not exalt anything, such as job, children, et cetera, more than the blood of Jesus. We must keep ourselves not to stumble or leave the service and ministry.

2 Peter 1:10-11

1:10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

1:11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The ministry is as the ticket to enter heavenly kingdom or the ticket to sit together with Jesus on the throne of heavenly kingdom.

The names of the five people of the house of Israelites who are chosen have their own meaning as follows.

1. Levi means fellowship.
2. Kohath means congregation or association.
3. Amram means exalted people.
4. Moses means being drawn out of water.
5. Aaron means to shine.

From a fellowship, there will be the exalted congregation to be lifted up from the world until they shine as the light of the sun, moon, and stars. It is written in Revelation 12:1.

Revelation 12:1

12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moonunder her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

If our ministry is faithful and good, the direction will be clear, namely to become the perfect Bride who is ready to welcome Jesus's second coming. We will enter the marriage supper of the Lamb, the future paradise, and heavenly kingdom forever.

Aaron also means to shine. The sign is in the honesty about teaching. We must say 'yes' if 'yes', 'no' if 'no'. We must also be honest in all things and not hide any sin.

Moses means being drawn out of water. It means death and resurrection experience or suffering together with Jesus.

2 Corinthians 4:16-17

4:16 *Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.*
4:17 *For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,*

God allows us to experience the death and resurrection experience in order to make us experience life renewal from carnal men to spiritual ones as Jesus is.

Moses experiences the life renewal, so he can be humble or meek.

Numbers 12:1-3

12:1 *Then Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman.*

12:2 *So they said, "Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has He not spoken through us also?" And the LORD heard it.*

12:3 *(Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.)*

The meanings of the humble heart are as follows.

1. Receiving the rebuke and advice of the hard true teaching Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword.
2. Ability to forgive the sins of other people and forget them.
3. Receiving the reality with keeping on believing in God.

The honest, referring to Aaron, and the humble, referring to Moses, will be used by God.

Exodus 6:2-6

6:2 *And God spoke to Moses and said to him: "I am the LORD.*

6:3 *"I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by My name LORD I was not known to them.*

6:4 *"I have also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, in which they were strangers.*

6:5 *"And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered My covenant.*

6:6 *"Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.*

The honest and humble will be sent by God. He trusts His persona and powerful name to us. He also stretches His mighty hands to do these things.

1. To finish all our problems, even the impossible one.

Exodus 6:6

6:6 *"Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments.*

The hand of God makes us able to serve and minister to Him well and faithfully.

His hand sanctifies us from sins up to the peak, so that we can be perfect or without blemish.

2. To lead His people to enter Canaan, which is full of milk and honey.

Exodus 6:8

6:8 *'And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you as a heritage: I am the LORD.' "*

It means God preserves our life so that we can give thanks to Him.

The hand of God leads us to reach beautiful, successful, joyful future life.

His hand uses us in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain until we enter New Jerusalem. We are renewed to be as glorious as Jesus is, and we can sit together with Him on the throne of New Jerusalem.

Exodus 6:9-12

6:9 So Moses spoke thus to the children of Israel; but they did not heed Moses, because of anguish of spirit and cruel bondage.

6:10 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

6:11 "Go in, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the children of Israel go out of his land."

6:12 And Moses spoke before the LORD, saying, "The children of Israel have not heeded me. How then shall Pharaoh heed me, for I am of uncircumcised lips?"

The thing that must be changed is our hopelessness, disappointment, and unbelief. We are renewed to become honest, meek, and believing to entrust ourselves to God. In such condition, we are lifting up our two hands to God to receive His stretched mighty hands.

God blesses you.