

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 14, 2014 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 1:17-20

1:17 *And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.*

1:18 *"I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.*

1:19 *"Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.*

1:20 *"The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.*

John, the apostle, was exiled in Patmos Island to suffer in the flesh, not because of sinning, but the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ, so he could fall at Jesus's feet or worship with a broken heart until the flesh does not speak anymore.

He was touched by the right hand of God and experienced these three things.

1. Do not be afraid, namely the renewal to feelings until there is no more fear, but the confidence towards God.
2. I am the First and the Last, namely receiving the love of God.
3. I am He who lives.

ad. 2. I am the First and the Last.

The First refers to the Altar of Burnt Offering in Tabernacle, namely Jesus as the only Savior or Jesus's first coming in the world to suffer in the flesh, even die on the cross to save the sinners. It means the first love.

The Last refers to the Ark of the Covenant in Tabernacle. It means Jesus in the glory as The King of all kings and Heavenly Bridegroom or Jesus's second coming to lift us up on the glorious clouds. It is called as the peak of love or the perfect love of the Bridegroom.

John could experience the first love up to the peak by falling down at Jesus's feet and being touched by God's hand.

Matthew 24:12

24:12 *"And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.*

We need the love that increases from the first to the perfect one because we face the increasing rebellion in the last days until the love grows cold. There are many servants of God in the world who have no love, so they are rebellious and dead. All things are useless; even they perish, if there is no love.

The rebellion attacks these two places.

1. Marriage or household.

Matthew 10:21-22

10:21 *"Now brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death.*

10:22 *"And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved.*

It begins from hatred without any cause, strife, violence in the household, murder, slander, sexual affairs, divorce, remarrying, up to the peak of sin, namely marrying-being given in marriage including all kinds of sexuality sin, free sex, and wrong marriage.

Love will cover sins. It means that we will fall in sin if we have no love.

The world in the last days will return to the days of Noah. How many people can get the salvation and live in the love? Let us fall down at Jesus's feet more in order to get the increasing love.

2. Service and ministry to God.

The facts found in the rebellion in the service and ministry to God are as follows.

- Unfaithfulness and forsaking the service and ministry to God.

Hebrews 10:25-27

10:25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

10:26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

10:27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

We must be careful because one often does not realize the sin of not serving and ministering to God and it increases.

In the beginning, it becomes a habitual sin. One does not regret when he does not serve and minister to God although there is opportunity and He has stirred his heart. Consequently, the heart is hardened and the door of salvation that is as the eye of a needle is closed. Finally, there is fire of judgment for the rebellious.

The highest level of advice in the last days for others is the advice to make them zealously serve and minister to God.

- Being gathered together against God.

Numbers 16:8-11

16:8 Then Moses said to Korah, "Hear now, you sons of Levi:

16:9 "Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to serve them;

16:10 "and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also?

16:11 "Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the LORD. And what is Aaron that you complain against him?"

It means a conspiracy or rebellion.

Jude 1:11

1:11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

The rebellion means serving and ministering to God without any satisfaction and obedience, so the mouth is always opened to murmur, grumble, and give negative comments. The conspiracy will be against the right fellowship.

Numbers 16:31-32

16:31 Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them,

16:32 and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods.

Opening the mouth too much, the earth will also open its mouth.

There are three times of the earth's opening its mouth as follows.

- **The earth opened its mouth to swallow Pharaoh and his soldiers while the house of Israel was walking on the dry ground in the Red Sea.**

Exodus 15:12

15:12 You stretched out Your right hand; The earth swallowed them.

Entering the Red Sea means being baptized of water. It refers to the Brazen Laver in the Court of Tabernacle. The Court refers to salvation. Thus, the water baptism will determine whether we are saved or not.

Ephesians 4:5

4:5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

There is only one water baptism like the one ark of Noah. There is only one baptism in one body. The right water baptism is in line to the bible, namely we are baptized just as Jesus has been baptized.

The requirements of the right water baptism are as follows.

- Believing or having faith in Jesus as the only Savior through hearing the Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

It refers to the Gate of Tabernacle.

- Repenting or stopping sinning to return to God. It refers to the Altar of Burnt Offering.

Romans 6:4

6:4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Matthew 3:16

3:16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

The implementation of the right water baptism is one who has died to sin must be buried in water together with Jesus to raise together with Him and get the new life, namely heavenly one. It is the life in the anointing and infilling of Holy Spirit. It refers to the Door of Tabernacle.

Holy Spirit is the spirit of truth, so we can live in righteousness and hold fast to the true teaching Word. Moreover, we become the instruments of righteousness or serve and minister to God faithfully, correctly, and fervently in spirit.

Proverbs 10:2-3

10:2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, But righteousness delivers from death.

10:3 The LORD will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked.

The truth will deliver us from death or perdition.

The righteous is preserved by God abundantly, namely until there is thanksgiving to Him.

- **The earth opened its mouth to swallow Korah and the gang.**

Numbers 16:31-32,10

16:31 Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them,

16:32 and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods.

16:10 "and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also?"

It happened because he served and ministered to God with insisting his rights always, so he was not satisfied, but gossiped. Judging and murmuring much more, the stars become animals that will perish because it was written *â[?]carcassâ[?]* in the bible.

Numbers 14:29

14:29 'The carcasses of you who have complained against Me shall fall in this wilderness, all of you who were numbered, according to your entire number, from twenty years old and above.

The right attitude is we serve and minister to God as the stars or *doulos*, namely a servant who only has duty, without any right. The star always shines without any right.

For example, the mother of Moses nursed him without insisting any right. It was in the Old Testament.

Luke 17:7-9

17:7 "And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, â[?]Come at once and sit down to eatâ[?]?"

17:8 "But will he not rather say to him, â[?]Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drinkâ[?]?"

17:9 "Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not.

In the New Testament, the example is a servant who has come in from the field and must serve his master first.

The facts found in being a *doulos* are as follows.

- **Girding ourselves.** It means that we are always ready to serve without any rejection.
Do not ever reject the ministry or work of God, so that He never rejects us.
God will provide all things for sure after He commands us.

Girding ourselves also means that we minister to God faithfully and correctly.

Isaiah 11:5

11:5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

It means that we give food and drink to Jesus to satisfy His heart. As a result, He will also satisfy us. Our food and drink for physical life will be His concern. Spiritually, we have heavenly satisfaction and joy until we can give thanks always to God and do not fall in sin and worldly satisfaction.

- **Serving and ministering to God with obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore.**

Philippians 2:8-10

2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

2:9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

2:10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

If we are obedient, we will experience the power of God's lifting up. We are exalted, and made successful and glorious. We never decrease or have defeat, but have the power of victory.

How can we become the doulos or star?

The answer is **in the shepherding** as the place to form our heart to become the heart of a servant.

Exodus 3:1-3

3:1 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

3:2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed.

3:3 Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn."

Moses was educated in Egypt for forty years. He was intelligent and great, but could not serve two people because he did not have the heart of a servant or doulos. Moreover, he did a murder.

He had to run away to Midian and entered the right shepherding, so he could experience the forming to his heart and have the heart of a servant.

We must be shepherded to the True Vine inside the shepherding pen or the Holy Place of tabernacle as follows.

- Golden Candlestick in the days of Moses -->perseverance in doing fellowship in the days of the early rain church -->perseverance in doing General Service in the latter rain church. It is the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts or fire of Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:41-42

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.

- Table of Showbread -->perseverance in the apostles' doctrine and the breaking of bread ->perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion. It is the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and sacrifice of Christ or the fire of God's Word.
- Golden Altar of Incense -->perseverance in prayers -->perseverance in doing Prayer Service. It is the fellowship with Father God in His love or the fire of love.

We are being burnt by the fire of Holy Spirit, God's Word, and love in the shepherding pen. It is the great scenery. As a result, we become the holy servant of God who only does the duty without insisting the right like a doulos until we become the perfect bride of God.

Revelation 12:1

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

The peak of the great scenery is we become the light of the world or the bride of God in the light of the sun, moon,

and stars. We are as perfect as Jesus is.

- **The earth opened its mouth to swallow the anger of the antichrist.**

Revelation 12:15-17

12:15 So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.

12:16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

12:17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

The antichrist will reign over the world and the great persecution or torment will happen as if they have never happened, even there is beheading to the sons and servants of God who only have the Word or Table of Showbread and the testimony of Jesus Christ or Golden Altar of Incense without the worship or the worship does not reach the measure.

Revelation 12:14

12:14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

The solution is the grace of God we receive, namely the two wings of a great eagle to evacuate us to the wilderness, far away from the presence of the serpent. We are preserved directly by God through the teaching Word and Holy Communion.

Where do the two wings of a great eagle come from?

- The sanctification in the shepherding. The more we are sanctified, the bigger wings we will get.
- The worship. The more our flesh is torn in the worship, the bigger wings we get.
- The sprinkling of blood or test.

Deuteronomy 32:11-12

32:11 As an eagle stirs up its nest, Hovers over its young, Spreading out its wings, taking them up, Carrying them on its wings,

32:12 So the LORD alone led him, And there was no foreign god with him.

The functions of the two wings of a great eagle are as follows.

- **Covering us as the apple of His eye.**

Psalms 17:8

17:8 Keep me as the apple of Your eye; Hide me under the shadow of Your wings,

The apple of eye must not be dry. Physically, we are preserved by God until we do not face the drought. Spiritually, we are never dry, but always faithful and fervent in spirit in our love to Him.

The Lord also protects us; even a grain of sand cannot enter us. It means that the problems cannot hurt us and God solve them in time of need.

- **Evacuating us to the wilderness, so that we are preserved and protected by God.**

Revelation 12:14

12:14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

- **Giving us power and firmness of heart, so that we keep faithful and fervent in spirit doing our service and ministry to God until Jesus' second coming.**

Isaiah 40:29-31

40:29 He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.

40:30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall,

40:31 But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

1 Chronicles 28:20

28:20 And David said to his son Solomon, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD Godâ"â"my Godâ"â"will be with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

If we are strong and of good courage, God will solve all things physically and spiritually until we can be the perfect body of Christ.

God blesses you.