

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 25, 2022 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 16:16

16:16. *And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.*

The battle of Armageddon has been prophesied by the prophets and Jesus. This battle causes the great tribulation such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time. But, if God prophesies the battle, He will give the way out. It is our own mistake when we experience the punishment, because we do not pay attention to the prophecy.

Matthew 24:6-7,21-22,17-18

24:6. *"And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.*

24:7. *"For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.*

24:21. *"For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.*

24:22. *"And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.*

24:17. *"Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house.*

24:18. *"And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes.*

The right attitudes are as follows:

1. **We must surrender ourselves in the hand of God by keeping on staying on the housetop.** It means to live peacefully. There are no battle and hostility with God and others.

The process is confessing sin to God, so we are forgiven and we do not commit sin anymore. Further, we confess and forgive one another and the blood of Jesus will take away our sin, so our heart experiences peace. All things become easy and light.

Mark 9:50

9:50. *"Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another."*

Thus, we become the salty salt to give a good taste. It means becoming blessing for others.

2. **We must keep on being in the field of God.** Approaching God's second coming, we must be more faithful and active. Do not ever step back from the ministry to God!

The battle of Armageddon is prepared through the creation of increasingly modern weapons such as the fire, the smoke or nuclear, and the brimstone or biological weapon. The battle of Armageddon is also triggered by the three unclean spirits like frogs. Consequently, the battle of Armageddon becomes the greatest and the last battle in the world.

Who will enter the battle? Satan, the Antichrist, and the false prophet who lead the nations, including the servants of God who worship the Antichrist because they cannot survive the torment will. All of them will lead to the increasing flows of evil and uncleanness up to the perfections in evil and uncleanness, namely Babylon (the great harlot or Satan's bride) who will be destroyed forever.

The group of God and His armies are the angels and the holy men who lead to the increasing flow of holiness up to the New Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem in the Middle East is the holy city for the three religions, namely Jews, Christian, and Moslem. The battle of Armageddon will fight over and destroy the Jerusalem. But, if we enter the flow of holiness, we will not enter the battle of Armageddon, but the eternal New Jerusalem, namely the heavenly kingdom.

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."*

Romans 8:28-30

8:28. *And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.*

8:29. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

8:30. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

1 Peter 1:18-19

1:18. knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,

1:19. but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

That is why we must hold fast God's call and election. Who are called and chosen? We or the sinners who are worthless and useless and without value are called, but we are redeemed and called according to God's purpose.

We are redeemed by the things as follows:

1. **The precious blood of Christ**, so we can be justified to live in righteousness.

The process is having faith (believing in Jesus as the only Savior who has redeemed us from sin on the cross), repenting (stopping sinning and returning to God or being dead to sin), and entering the true water baptism.

The true water baptism is that one who has died to sin or repented must be buried in the water with Jesus and come out or rise from water with Him to receive new life or the heavenly one--the heavens are opened--, namely life in righteousness. We become the precious life.

2. **The blood of a lamb**, so we become God's sheep. The wicked who keeps his sin will surely be lost, but the righteous will surely be chosen to enter the shepherding. We are taken care of by Jesus as the Great Shepherd. We are purified from the sins up to the peak; even we receive the ministry and gift, so we are used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ.

Proverbs 12:26

12:26. The righteous should choose his friends carefully, For the way of the wicked leads them astray.

3. **The blood of Jesus which is without blemish and without spot**, so we can also be perfected up to being spotless. We can be glorified with Jesus in the New Jerusalem forever. We do not fight over the physical Jerusalem, but we fight to enter the New Jerusalem forever.

Romans 8:35-39

8:35. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

8:36. As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

8:37. Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

8:38. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come,

8:39. nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

After being redeemed, called, chosen by God, shepherded, and purified, those who understand God's purpose will become strong and of good courage regardless of any risk that may come. We will never step back or leave the ministry to God. The power of God's love will become our strength until we become the winner. We are powerless, but we can win over the stronger enemy because God's love fights for us.

John 15:18,25-27

15:18. "If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you.

15:25. "But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, 'They hated Me without a cause.'

15:26. "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

15:27. "And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

Satan uses the hatred. It is written seven times (verse 18-27) up to the perfect hatred. That is why when we do not like others, we must pull it out soon, so it does not increase to become hatred up to the one without a cause. We who are called and chosen will experience God's love that is bigger than hatred in this world.

Holy Spirit will pour out perfect love of God that is bigger than hatred in this world, so we do not hate others moreover with hatred

without a cause. Instead, we can testify to others, so they can receive God's love and realize their mistake.

John 16:1-4a, 32-33

16:1. *"These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble.*
16:2. *"They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.*
16:3. *"And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me.*
16:4a. *"But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.*
16:32. *"Indeed the hour is coming, yes, has now come, that you will be scattered, each to his own, and will leave Me alone. And yet I am not alone, because the Father is with Me.*
16:33. *"These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."*

Jesus has prophesied the attack of Satan to us, especially the one through hatred without a cause. Why? To make us win like Jesus. We will never get desperate and disappointed regardless of anything that happens to us. We do not reject Jesus and the true teaching Word regardless of anything that happens to us, because we have known and believed God's purpose in our life. God will show the best way for us. We believe in God that none can hinder God's purpose, even a king or Satan. God surely helps and opens the way for us.

Revelation 19:14

19:14. *And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.*

Jesus is on white horse with the garments of holiness to make war.

Horse refers to the flesh with its power. The white horse refers to the power of Holy Spirit that is used by Jesus and His armies.

Revelation 19:19-21

19:19. *And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.*
19:20. *Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.*
19:21. *And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.*

At last, the battle of Armageddon is ended by the winning of the armies of holiness. Satan and the Antichrist will be cast in the hell forever.

How is the end or consequence of the battle of Armageddon?

Jesus will come a second time soon on the glorious clouds to do the things as follows:

1. Punishing, defeating, and destroying all enemies, namely the Antichrist, the false prophet, and their armies. They are cast alive in the hell. Who are the followers of the Antichrist and the false prophet? Those who eat the flesh of swine and mouse.

Isaiah 66:15-17

66:15. *For behold, the LORD will come with fire And with His chariots, like a whirlwind, To render His anger with fury, And His rebuke with flames of fire.*
66:16. *For by fire and by His sword The LORD will judge all flesh; And the slain of the LORD shall be many.*
66:17. *"Those who sanctify themselves and purify themselves, To go to the gardens After an idol in the midst, Eating swine's flesh and the abomination and the mouse, Shall be consumed together," says the LORD.*

It is the same as resisting the Law. The spiritual meaning is those who have fellowship with the unclean. They keep the untruth and sins up to the peak.

If we are shepherded as well as live in holiness, we will be blessed and taken care of by God directly.

2 Thessalonians 1:7-10

1:7. *and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels,*
1:8. *in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*
1:9. *These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power,*
1:10. *when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.*

God will punish those who do not obey the gospel that preaches Jesus' first coming to die on the cross and redeem our sin.

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."

2. Punishing the servants of God who are like stubble, namely those who do not minister to Him faithfully, but leave the ministry to Him. They follow God just for the physical thing, so they leave Him when they do not get the thing they look for. Such life is useless and will be destroyed forever.

Malachi 3:18

3:18. Then you shall again discern Between the righteous and the wicked, Between one who serves God And one who does not serve Him.

Malachi 4:1

4:1. "For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up," Says the LORD of hosts, "That will leave them neither root nor branch.

Revelation 20:7,10

20:7. Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison

20:10. The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

When the thousand years have expired, the devil will be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, including those who do not believe in Jesus (keeping on being unclean and evil), and those who are like stubble. Approaching God's second coming, one who is like stubble will become more unfaithful.

Romans 12:11

12:11. not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

We need Holy Spirit, so we keep being fervent in spirit. We must always be filled and anointed by Holy Spirit until He overflows in us, so we are always purified by Holy Spirit and the true teaching Word. Besides, we also minister to God faithfully and fervently until Jesus comes a second time. One who is holy, faithful, and fervent is the apple of God's eye, so we are always defended and protected by God against anything such as difficulties, disease, one who makes hostility toward us, *et cetera*.

Acts 2:1-4

2:1. When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2:2. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

2:3. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.

2:4. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

We must always ask the fullness of Holy Spirit, so our tongue can be purified and changed. The tongue determines whether we can be perfected or not. Our tongue must be purified until we can worship God with tongues. The voice of worship is like the sound of gold bells at the edge of the robe of high priest that ring beautifully. It means that when we worship God and stretch out our hand to Him. He will also stretch out His hands to us.

The results are as follows:

1. God's merciful hand gives peace and serenity. We can lean on the High Priest's breast even in facing the tempest of the world. All of sins have been forgiven, and all of impossible problems have been taken over by the High Priest. He is the faithful God. God will never lie to us.

Hebrews 2:17

2:17. Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

2. Holy Spirit can help us in due time. He finishes all of our problems. He takes away all of impossibilities.

Hebrews 2:18

2:18. For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

Holy Spirit also evacuates us far away from the Antichrist. From now on, Holy Spirit is able to take care of us in the midst of the increasing crises and difficulties in the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. God takes care of us. It means that He helps, so we are not lost as well as do not fall into the sin.

3. Holy Spirit changes us until we do not stumble in words. We can worship God with: "*Alleluia*" until we become the biggest house of prayer on the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time.

God blesses us.