

Bible Study Service in Malang, December 05, 2017 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 6:12-13

6:12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.

6:13 And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.

The sixth judgment of Holy Spirit God happens through the great earthquake physically and spiritually in the influence of the world with all of its activities, amenities, uncleanness, evil, and so on that cause the spiritual darkness.

- 'the sun became black as sackcloth of hair' means that there is no love of God anymore.
- 'the moon became like blood' means the redemption which is done by the blood of Jesus has been finished or there is no more redemption of sin.

2 Peter 1:9

1:9 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

It means being shortsighted and blind spiritually or living in the darkness, so there is no direction to the city of light or the New Jerusalem, but everlasting perdition in the hell.

- 'the stars of heaven fell to the earth'

We are learning about **the spiritual blindness** tonight.

The meanings of the spiritual blindness are as follows.

1. **Forgetting the remission of sin or not being firm in the remission of sin.**

The facts found in it are as follows.

- **Repeating sin up to the peak, falling and rising; even enjoying in sin up to the peak.** Therefore, the preaching of the true teaching word must be repeated to kill the repeated sins up to the peak, so we can live in righteousness and holiness.
- **Doing sin habitually and deliberately, especially the sin of not serving and ministering 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.

One habitually does not serve to God means that he does not regret anymore when he cannot serve and minister to God.

One deliberately does not serve to God means that he does not want to serve to God although he has an opportunity.

Keeping those two things, they will be eternal sins, namely there is no more remission of sin or the red moon. It means that one cannot repent anymore like Satan. He also cannot serve and minister to God.

The right attitudes are as follows.

- Let us **be gentle** as long as there is opportunity, namely we confess our sin to God and other people. We do not sin again after being forgiven. We must also forgive and forget the sins of others.

Romans 2:4-5

2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

2:5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,

We repent or die to sin, so the judgment of God does not come to us.

Keeping the hard heart and not repenting, one will not be able to repent anymore like Satan. It is the same as treasuring up the wrath of God until perishing forever.

- **We must advise one another about diligently serving and ministering to God more**towards the second coming of Jesus which is soon as long as there is opportunity.

Hebrews 10:25

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.

This is the best and highest advice for all of us because the service and ministry are the only activity in the world which can reach the heavenly throne.

Revelation 22:3

22:3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

2. Hating the brothers.

1 John 2:11

2:11 But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, and among the servants of God.

Hating the brothers is the same as building the wall of separation.

The beginning of the hatred is self-truth as follows.

- Not confessing sin, but blaming others and God.
- Keeping and justifying the false teachings as well as not being willing to return to the Bible.

2 Corinthians 12:20

12:20 For I fear lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I wish, and that I shall be found by you such as you do not wish; lest there be contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, backbitings, whisperings, conceits, tumults;

Consequently, there are contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, backbitings, whisperings, conceits, tumults. Tumults refer to dividing the body of Christ.

Matthew 12:31

12:31 "Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men.

There are two kinds of the work of Holy Spirit, namely the revival at the early rain and the one of the latter rain or the edifying of the body of Christ.

Resisting against the body of Christ is the same as the sin of blaspheming Holy Spirit or resisting against the work of Holy Spirit. It is a sin which cannot be forgiven. Let us be careful that we do not divide the body of Christ, starting from the marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding.

Ephesians 2:13-16

2:13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

2:14 For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation,

2:15 having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace,

2:16 and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.

Jesus must become the reconciliation offering and die on the cross to break down the middle wall of separation, so we can be reconciled. It is the same as building the wall of the New Jerusalem, the perfect body of Christ, or the heavenly bride.

Revelation 21:2,9-10

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.

21:9 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

We must keep the peace. It is the same as building the wall of the New Jerusalem. The strife must be finished soon.

Revelation 21:14

21:14 Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

The foundations of the wall of the New Jerusalem are twelve precious stones on which there are the names of the twelve apostles.

The process to build the wall of the New Jerusalem or the perfect body of Christ is that we must have the figure twelve. The meanings are as follows.

- 12 apostles refer to **the apostles' doctrines** or the New Testament which is the fullness of the prophets or the Old Testament.

Acts 2:42

2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

It refers to the true teaching Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword.

Thus, we must hold fast and obey the true teaching Word. As a result, we experience the sanctification in our whole life, starting from our heart.

Matthew 15:19

15:19 "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.

If our heart, deed, and words are holy, we will draw near to God.

James 4:8

4:8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

God will also draw near to us. We are like a branch that abides in the true vine. We are shepherded to the true teaching Word. We always dwell in the sheepfold through the perseverance in doing the three main services to God as follows.

- a. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service to have the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts.
- b. Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and the sacrifice of Christ.
- c. Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Worship Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in the love.

Our body, soul, and spirit attach to God in the sheepfold.

Psalms 62:2-3

62:2 Truly my soul silently waits for God; From Him comes my salvation.

62:3 He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my defense; I shall not be greatly moved.

As a result, we are saved and protected from all disasters. We are not moved, disappointed, or hopeless. We do not leave God regardless of anything we face. We do not stumble because of sin up to the peak. We can live in holiness until we are as holy as Jesus is.

- 12 apostles refer to **the ministries**.

Ephesians 4:11-12,15

4:11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and

teachers,

4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

4:15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head--Christ--

After living in holiness, we are equipped with the ministry and the gifts of Holy Spirit added with the love of God.

Thus, we must serve and minister to God according to the ministry from Him, or else the body of Christ will be broken and destroyed. The ministry refers to our place in the body of Christ. The gifts of Holy Spirit refer to the miraculous ability from Holy Spirit to enable us to serve and minister to God according to the ministry He has trusted to us faithfully and correctly, faithfully and well, faithfully and wisely. It is as if we are giving food and drink to the Lord to satisfy Him. Our service and ministry to God must be encouraged by love, so we can do it until the end, namely our bodily death or Jesus' second coming.

If we can serve and minister to God according to the ministry with the gifts of Holy Spirit and the encouragement of the love of God, there will be the hand of God in the midst of the congregation. The hand of God will hold and guarantee our work and reward to preserve our life now in the midst of the difficulties in the world. All things which have been destroyed can be made good, until we have the work and reward of the eternal life.

Isaiah 49:3-4

49:3 "And He said to me, 'You are My servant, O Israel, In whom I will be glorified.'

49:4 Then I said, 'I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and in vain; Yet surely my just reward is with the LORD, And my work with my God.'"

- o 12 apostles refer to **the fellowship**.

There are two kinds of fellowship as follows.

a. The fellowship with other people or the one of the body of Christ. The fact found in it is that we love others like we love ourselves; even we can love our enemy.

b. The fellowship between the body or us and the Head or Jesus.

The fact found in it starts from the Holy Communion.

John 6:54-56

6:54 "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

6:55 "For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed.

6:56 "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

We must examine our life first through the sharpness of the sword of God's Word to finish the sins through confessing and forgiving one another and after that we can consume the Holy Communion.

The next fact is in the neck, meaning worship prayer.

John 9:37-38

9:37 And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you."

9:38 Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

Worshiping God is the same as looking at, speaking to, and pouring our heart to Him. As a result, He also looks at us, hears our voice, and stretches out His great merciful hands to us. We struggle with God and vice versa.

Mark 1:40-42

1:40 Now a leper came to Him, imploring Him, kneeling down to Him and saying to Him, "If You are willing, You can make me clean."

1:41 Then Jesus, moved with compassion, stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed."

1:42 As soon as He had spoken, immediately the leprosy left him, and he was cleansed.

Impossible things can be made possible.

Luke 7:13-14

7:13 When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."

7:14 Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise."

The marriage and children are restored and united to be joyful.

Revelation 7:17

7:17 "for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Being honest and obedient, our steps are towards the New Jerusalem. The steps are of miracle and new way until we are changed to be as perfect as Jesus is when He comes a second time and we truly enter the New Jerusalem.

God blesses us.