

Bible Study Service in Malang, February 25, 2016 (Thursday Evening)

To Coincide with the Upgrading Service III for Priests and Priests to be

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

Revelation 3:20

3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me."

The Lord Jesus is knocking the door of our heart repetitively through the true teaching Word which is hard because He longs for dining or having fellowship with us. If we open the door of heart to receive the true teaching Word, the Lord Jesus will come in to dine or have fellowship with us until we can enter the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Revelation 19:9

19:9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

The marriage supper of the Lamb is the fellowship between Jesus as the Heavenly Bridegroom with the perfect congregation or the heavenly bride on the glorious clouds. Then, we will enter the One Thousand Years Kingdom of Peace or the Future Paradise and the New Jerusalem or the heavenly kingdom.

The marriage supper of the Lamb is the spiritual perfect marriage between Jesus as the Heavenly Bridegroom with the congregation or the heavenly bride.

The physical marriage is the entrance to the world while the spiritual one is the exit of the world that we can meet Jesus on the glorious clouds. Therefore, we must keep the righteousness, holiness, and unity of our physical marriage until it is perfect. It starts from the beginning and during the marriage, until it reaches the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Thus, we must enter the ministry of the fellowship of the perfect Christ's body so that we can enter the marriage supper of the Lamb. It begins from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the one perfect body of the Israelites and Gentiles.

The true fellowship is like a branch dwelling in the true Vine, namely the true teaching Word or the Lord Himself.

Isaiah 30:1-2

30:1 "Woe to the rebellious children," says the LORD, "Who take counsel, but not of Me, And who devise plans, but not of My Spirit, That they may add sin to sin;

30:2 Who walk to go down to Egypt, And have not asked My advice, To strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, And to trust in the shadow of Egypt!"

Be alert of the false fellowship, namely the one without the true teaching Word and Holy Spirit. It only relies on the worldly things such as riches, position, and so on. It is the same as a branch that does not dwell in the true Vine anymore. It dries spiritually. The saying is dry in gossip, slander, and so on until one perishes.

The true fellowship can be described as the boards of Tabernacle. Tabernacle has three rooms as follows.

1. The Court. It refers to the righteousness or salvation.

Exodus 27:9

27:9 "You shall also make the court of the tabernacle. For the south side there shall be hangings for the court made of fine woven linen, one hundred cubits long for one side."

2. The Holy Place. It refers to the holiness.

Exodus 26:33

26:33 "And you shall hang the veil from the clasps. Then you shall bring the ark of the Testimony in there, behind the veil. The veil shall be a divider for you between the holy place and the Most Holy."

3. The Most Holy Place or perfection.

The Holy Place and the Most Holy Place are built from the boards made of acacia wood.

Exodus 26:15

26:15 "And for the tabernacle you shall make the boards of acacia wood, standing upright."

The wood refers to the brittle fleshly human. It is black, referring to the sin.

Thus, the acacia wood refers to the sinful fleshly human. The sinful fleshly human has the opportunity to be the holy and perfect body of Christ. The requirement is the acacia wood must be formed as the boards in the same form and measure.

Revelation 1:5-6

1:5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,

1:6 and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

The board refers to the sinful men who have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus or set free from sins and then they can live in righteousness and holiness and be appointed as priests and kings.

A priest is a holy person who bears the priest offices given by God and serves and ministers to God according to the ministry entrusted by Him faithfully and correctly until the end.

The boards are united to form the Tabernacle, namely the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place or the holy and perfect body of Christ. The requirements are as follows.

1. It must stand upright upon the two sockets of silver.

Exodus 26:15, 19

26:15 "And for the tabernacle you shall make the boards of acacia wood, standing upright.

26:19 "You shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards: two sockets under each of the boards for its two tenons.

The first silver refers to the redemption which is done by the blood of Jesus.

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.

We are redeemed from our private sin and the heritage sin, including the tradition which is not in line with the Word, so we can live in righteousness according to the Word. We can stand upright.

The second silver refers to the pure, perfect, and true teaching Word.

Psalms 12:6

12:6 The words of the LORD are pure words, Like silver tried in a furnace of earth, Purified seven times.

The signs are as follows.

- Being written in the Bible and revealed by God.
- The secret is opened through a verse that explains other verses in the bible.
- Being preached without any intention to get physical advantage.
- Daring to show the true marriage.
- It must be obeyed.

We must hold fast to the true teaching Word and obey it.

Giving opportunity to hear other teachings, the board has been oblique. It cannot stand upright anymore.

Thus, the base of the building of the body of Christ is living in righteousness and holding fast to and obeying the true teaching Word. It is the same as building a house on the rock. The fact found in it is saying 'yes' if yes and 'no' if no.

Haggai 2:18-19

2:18 'Consider now from this day forward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, from the day that the foundation of the LORD'S temple was laid--consider it:

2:19 'Is the seed still in the barn? As yet the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have not yielded fruit. But from this day I will bless you.'"

The results are as follows.

- The Lord gives us blessings physically and spiritually in our household.
- We can endure. We are not disappointed or hopeless, but keep on following and ministering to God until He comes a second time [Matthew 7:24-25].

2. The boards must be overlaid with pure gold which refers to the holiness of Holy Spirit.

Exodus 26:29

26:29 "You shall overlay the boards with gold, make their rings of gold as holders for the bars, and overlay the bars with gold.

Ephesians 4:30-32

4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

4:31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God in Christ forgave you.

The fleshly characteristics in verse 31 must be thrown away and replaced by the characteristics of Holy Spirit in verse 32. We confess and forgive one another, so we can be united with others.

3. The boards must have the tenons, two in each board.

Exodus 26:17

26:17 "Two tenons shall be in each board for binding one to another. Thus you shall make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

The tenon refers to the ability to be united.

Ephesians 4: 3-6

4:3. endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

4:4 There is one body⁽¹⁾ and one Spirit⁽²⁾, just as you were called in one hope⁽³⁾ of your calling;

4:5 one Lord⁽⁴⁾, one faith⁽⁵⁾, one baptism⁽⁶⁾;

4:6 one God and Father⁽⁷⁾ of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

All things may be different except the seven things as follows.

- One body. It means one Head or one true teaching Word.

John 1:1, 14

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

- One Spirit.
- One hope, namely to become the bride of God.
- One Lord.
- One faith.
- One baptism.
- One God and Father.

If we have the one true teaching, there will be seven united things or the perfect unity.

4. There must be five bars.

Exodus 26:26, 28

26:26 " And you shall make bars of acacia wood: five for the boards on one side of the tabernacle,

26:28 "The middle bar shall pass through the midst of the boards from end to end.

The five bars refer to the five wounds of Jesus or the cross.

The middle bar must pass through the midst of the boards from end to end. It refers to Jesus Himself who is eternal.

The other four bars do not pass through the midst of the boards from end to end. They refer to the cross.

The cross means the suffering in the flesh without any sin to make us strong and of good courage. The cross is the thing where we can lean on.

The functions of the cross are as follows.

- Changing us, the Gentiles, from the dog and swine to the sheep of God. We can be near and united with the house of Israel.

Ephesians 2:11-16

2:11 Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh--who are called (1)Uncircumcision by what is called

the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands--

2:12 that at that time you were (2)without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and (3)strangers from the covenants of promise, (4)having no hope and (5)without God in the world.

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.

- The power of the cross performs the physical miracle.

Exodus 14:15-16, 21

14:15 And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.

14:16 "But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

14:21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided.

The cross is able to preserve our life miraculously in the midst of difficulties in the world and give us solution of all problems as well as the beautiful successful future life. We are used in the revival of building the body of Christ.

- The cross makes the bitter things sweet.

Exodus 15:25

15:25 So he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree. When he cast it into the waters, the waters were made sweet. There He made a statute and an ordinance for them. And there He tested them,

We are changed to be perfect and worthy to welcome Jesus' second coming.

God blesses you.