

Bible Study Service in Malang, January 04, 2024 (Tuesday Evening)

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

The condition of Revelation 21 is very high and noble, so it cannot be reached by our mind and ability. That is why we must receive it by faith. We must humble ourselves as low as we can before God's presence.

1 Corinthians 2:9-10

2:9. *But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."*

2:10. *But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.*

The thing that we have not seen or heard is God's glory or the hidden things in God which are revealed to those who love Him.

Matthew 11:25-27

11:25. *At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes.*

11:26. *"Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.*

11:27. *"All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.*

God's secret is just revealed to those who humble themselves like a child, namely those who get honest and sincere, and surrender to God.

Daniel 9:20-24

9:20. *Now while I was speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God,*

9:21. *yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering.*

9:22. *And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand.*

9:23. *"At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:*

9:24. *"Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy.*

Daniel loved God, and he was greatly loved by God.

Daniel always worshiped God. He humbled himself as child who was unable to do anything.

Daniel heard and obeyed the true teaching Word, so he received the revelation of God or God' glory.

Revelation 21:1-8 can be divided as follows:

1. [verse 1] A new heaven and a new earth.
2. [verse 2-3] The new man.
3. [verse 4-8] The new atmosphere as follows:
 - a. Verse 4, namely the one without death.
 - b. Verse 5-6, namely the one of the heavenly satisfaction.
 - c. Verse 7, namely the one of winning.
 - d. Verse 8, namely the one of righteousness, holiness, and perfection.

ad. c. **The atmosphere of winning.**

Revelation 21:7

21:7. *"He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.*

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.*

The peak of winning is becoming the heavenly bride who sits together with Jesus as the Heavenly Bridegroom on the throne of the

heavenly kingdom.

The winning church of God can be divided as follows:

1. Those who are evacuated to the wilderness when the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years.

Revelation 12:1,13-14

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.

12:13. Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child.

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.

It is the part of the body of Christ who lives in Jesus and experiences the renewal of life until Jesus comes a second time. It is the same as the church of God who loves Him so much like Daniel, so it has the three kinds of winning as follows:

- Winning over the flesh with all of its lusts that make us become disobedient to God.

Romans 8:6-9

8:6. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

8:7. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

8:8. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

8:9. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

We can win over the flesh by the power of Holy Spirit, so we can do God's will. We become obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore whatever risk may come. As a result, we experience peace, so all things become easy and light.

- Winning over the world with all of its influences such as business, joy, distress, hatred without a cause, and persecution that make the church of God unfaithful in the ministry to God.

James 4:4

4:4. Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

If we win over the world, we will become the church of God who ministers to Him faithfully and fervently. We become the stars.

John 15:25-27

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.

We must testify in facing hatred without a cause. As a result, we become the shining stars up to having a garland of twelve stars.

- Winning over the death. The death refers to the sins up to the peak, namely the ones of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage.

1 Corinthians 15:25-26

15:25. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.

15:26. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

We can live in righteousness and holiness. We experience the redemption, so we are set free from the sin. It refers to the moon under the feet.

It is the time to fight against the flesh, the world, and the death--the sin--before the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years, so we appear as the church of God who has the light of the sun, moon, and star [Revelation 12:1]. We become the part of the body of Christ who lives in the winning and renewal of life like the five wise girls.

Revelation 12:13-14

12:13. Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child.

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 Antichrist will hunt the church of God who lives in the winning and renewal of life. But, the church of God will be given the two wings of a great eagle when the Antichrist comes. The church of God is evacuated to the wilderness, far from the eye of the Antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years.

Daniel 9:24

9:24. "Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy.

We experience the process of perfection. It means as follows:

- Finishing the transgression, making an end of sins, and making reconciliation for iniquity.
- We receive the everlasting righteousness. It means that we are not on the side of others but the true teaching Word.
- Sealing up vision and prophecy or the prophetic Word.

2. Those who are not evacuated to the wilderness for three and a half years.**Revelation 12:17**

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.

It is the part of the body of Christ who must experience the persecution of the Antichrist in the world--the outer darkness in the world.

The outer darkness happens three times in the world as follows:

- [Exodus 10:21-29] The darkness in Egypt when approaching the Passover. It means that the light of God the Father does not exist anymore.
- The darkness when Jesus died on the cross. It means that the light of the Son of God does not work anymore.
- The darkness when the world is controlled by the Antichrist for three a half years, while the light of the Trinity of God is brought by the church of God to the wilderness. Consequently, the world is truly in the outer darkness.

The church of God who is not evacuated to the wilderness will experience the persecution to be forced to worship the Antichrist. Those who win do not want to worship the Antichrist and deny Jesus, but they keep worshiping Jesus. They keep becoming obedient and faithful to Jesus although they must experience the persecution up to being beheaded. It is the five fool girls.

Revelation 20:4

20:4. And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Those who win over the Antichrist and keep worshiping God up to being beheaded as well as the people who become the martyrdom will be risen in the body of glory when Jesus comes a second time. All of them will enter the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace.

3. Those whose names are written in the Book of Life.**Revelation 20:15**

20:15. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21:27

21:27. But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are

written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

The struggle for the name's being written in the Book of Life is as follows:

- Struggling, so the garments of ministry are not defiled.

Revelation 3:3-6

3:3. *"Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.*

3:4. *"You have a few names even in Sardis who have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy.*

3:5. *"He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.*

3:6. *"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."*

Revelation 21:27

21:27. *But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.*

The things that defile the white garments are as follows:

- a. Lie.
- b. Committing abomination. It means the wickedness, namely being stingy and greedy. It also means not being shepherded.

Genesis 46:34

46:34. *"that you shall say, 'Your servants' occupation has been with livestock from our youth even till now, both we and also our fathers,' that you may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians."*

- c. The uncleanness.

When the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison. He will surround the camp of the saints to deceive and defile the white garments. But fire comes down from God out of heaven and devours him, so the white garments are not defiled but become the fine linen, clean and bright. The names are written in the Book of Life

Revelation 20:7-10

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

20:8. *and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number is as the sand of the sea.*

20:9. *They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.*

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.*

Revelation 20:15

20:15. *And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.*

That is why the white throne must exist for the final check, whether our name is written in the Book of Life or not.

- Struggling to receive a new name which is written in the Book of Life.

Genesis 32:28

32:28. *And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."*

It is like Jacob who struggled alone. We can also struggle together with other members in congregation and family. We struggle to surrender our weakness and infirmity to God.

As a result, we are renewed from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones. Jacob becomes Israel. The liar becomes the house of prayer. We will win with God. Our prayer is answered by God. We are happy. The fear becomes peace, so

all things become easy and light. We also struggle for our family's salvation until all of us are changed, so we are ready to greet Jesus when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

God blesses us.