

Bible Study Service in Malang, January 21, 2020 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 11:1-2

11:1 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there.

1:2. who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

The measuring rod refers to the one of the shepherd and the shepherding word which becomes the food for the congregation and the command for them. It is also to measure their spirituality.

There are two things which are measured by the shepherding word as follows:

1. The temple of God.
2. The altar and those who worship there.

Ad.1. The temple of God.

It is the same as Tabernacle.

Moses makes the Tabernacle based on God's command and it has three rooms as follows:

1. **The Court.** It refers to salvation or righteousness.
It is the result of the working of the gospel of salvation, gospel word, or good news.

Revelation 11:2

11:2. who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

We have not yet fulfilled the measurement from God after being saved or blessed.

2. **The Holy Place.** It refers to holiness. It is the result of the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, the teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword, or the Bride Tidings that purifies and changes the congregation up to perfection like Jesus.
3. **The Most Holy Place.** It refers to perfection.

The temple of God means people who are in the Holy Place (holiness) and the Most Holy Place (perfection). This is the one that will be measured by God.

Exodus 26:15-16

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

26:16. "Ten cubits shall be the length of a board, and a cubit and a half shall be the width of each board.

The temple of God or the Tabernacle has boards with the same measurement.

The boards are made of acacia wood.

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 sinful flesh man who has been redeemed and set free from sins both the ones we inherit and our own sins, namely sinful deeds, words, and thoughts.

As a result, we can live in righteousness and holiness, so we are appointed as the priests and kings. We become the servants of God who minister to Him according to the ministry that He gives to us until the finish line.

We must become the priest and king to fulfill the measurement of the temple of God.

The requirements to become the board in the temple of God are as follows:

1. **The board must stand upright on the two silver sockets.**

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 silver socket means as follows:

- The redemption by the blood of Jesus or Christ's sacrifice.
- The pure and perfect teaching word.

Psalm 12:6

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

So, the church of God must stand upright on the true teaching word and Christ's sacrifice.
It is the same as standing upright on the rock.

The facts of standing upright on the rock are as follows:

- Having an obedient heart whatever risk may come.

Matthew 7:24-25

7:24. *"Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:*

7:25. *"and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.*

- The heart that is steadfast against the temptations from the trinity of Satan.

The rain refers to Satan with evil and unclean spirits.

We must keep the true and holy marriage, starting from the beginning and journey of marriage up to the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

The winds refer to false prophet with the false teaching. We can hold fast the true teaching word.

The floods refer to antichrist with the power of mammon that makes one greedy, stingy, and wasteful.

We can feel more blessed to give than to receive.

- The true tongue, namely true and honest words that come from sincere heart.

Proverbs 10:20

10:20. *The tongue of the righteous is choice silver; The heart of the wicked is worth little.*

Zechariah 8:9-11

8:9. *"Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Let your hands be strong, You who have been hearing in these days These words by the mouth of the prophets, Who spoke in the day the foundation was laid For the house of the LORD of hosts, That the temple might be built.*

8:10. *For before these days There were no wages for man nor any hire for beast; There was no peace from the enemy for whoever went out or came in; For I set all men, everyone, against his neighbor.*

8:11. *'But now I will not treat the remnant of this people as in the former days,' says the LORD of hosts.*

As a result, God will pour out physical and spiritual blessings as well as the ones for our household, so we become blessing for others.

Zechariah 8:13

8:13. *And it shall come to pass That just as you were a curse among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, So I will save you, and you shall be a blessing. Do not fear, Let your hands be strong.'*

God also gives safety and peace, so all things become easy and light.

2. **Being overlaid by gold, namely the divine nature.**

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 4:1-2

4:1. *I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,*
4:2. *with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,*

Lowliness is the ability to confess sin to God and others. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven! We do not judge others.

Gentleness is the ability to forgive others' sin and forget it. We do not judge others.

If we confess and forgive one another, we will live in righteousness and we can pray for one another.

James 5:15-16

5:15. *And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.*

5:16. *Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.*

Being patient is the ability to suffer for helping others. We can help and love one another. At least we do not hurt or harm others when we have not been able to help them.

3. Two tenons shall be in each board for binding one to another.

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.*

What is able to make us closely unified with others?

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 and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling;*

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

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

We are different but we can unify if we have the seven things of oneness as follows:

- One body. It is the same as one head.

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.*

Jesus as the Head is the true teaching word who is born as a Man.

John 1:12-13

1:12. *But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:*

1:13. *who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*

The body of Christ is one who is reborn by the true teaching word. One body means being born by one true teaching word.

- One Spirit.
- One hope.
- One Lord.
- One faith.
- One baptism.
- One God and Father of all.

The seven things of oneness are the same as the seven pillars in the temple of God.

Proverbs 9:1

9:1. *Wisdom has built her house, She has hewn out her seven pillars;*

As a result, we will experience the atmosphere of the feast of heaven that starts from perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service as follows:

- The Table of Showbread refers to perseverance in committing the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion. We have fellowship with the Son of God in the teaching Word and the sacrifice of Christ.
- The Golden Candlestick refers to perseverance in committing the General Service. We have fellowship with Holy Spirit God in His anointing and gifts.
- The Golden Altar of Incense refers to perseverance in committing the Prayer Service. We have fellowship with Father God in His love.

4. **The boards must be tightened with 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,

26:27. "five bars for the boards on the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the far side westward.

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

The middle bar that passes through the midst of the boards from end to end refers to Jesus.

The four other bars refer to the cross of Christ.

Isaiah 53:7

53:7. He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.

Jesus must bear the cross to unify and perfect the Israelites and Gentiles.

We must also willingly bear the cross, namely we willingly suffer in the flesh without any sin or because of Jesus.

1 Peter 2:19

2:19. For this is commendable, if because of conscience toward God one endures grief, suffering wrongfully.

There is God's great mercy behind the cross.

The functions of God's mercy are as follows:

- God's mercy is able to take care of and protect us in the midst of difficulties in the world until antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years.

Genesis 32:10

32:10. "I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies and of all the truth which You have shown Your servant; for I crossed over this Jordan with my staff, and now I have become two companies.

- Love performs the biggest miracle, namely the renewal of life.

Zephaniah 3:16-18

3:16. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Do not fear; Zion, let not your hands be weak.

3:17. The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

3:18. "I will gather those who sorrow over the appointed assembly, Who are among you, To whom its reproach is a burden.

We are not separated from God forever. We keep ministering to God faithfully and fervently. We keep trusting, hoping, and worshipping God.

The physical miracle also happens.

The love of God fights for us to finish all impossible problems.

We are changed continuously until we enter the New Jerusalem forever.

God blesses us.