

Bible Study Service in Malang, July 19, 2012 (Thursday Evening)

Matthew 27 as a whole refers to **theseven sprinklings of blood on the Ark of Covenant**.

Meaning the suffering of Jesus until He dies on the cross to save, sanctify, and perfect the congregation.

There are seven passages written in Matthew 27 that refer to the seven kinds of Jesus's suffering until He dies on the cross as follows.

1. Matthew 27:1-10, Jesus Handed Over to Pontius Pilate and Judas Hangs Himself.
2. Matthew 27:11-26, Jesus Faces Pilate.
3. Matthew 27:27-31, The Soldiers Mock Jesus.
4. Matthew 27:32-50, Jesus's Crucifixion.
5. Matthew 27:51-56, Miracles Happen at the Time of Jesus's Death.
6. Matthew 27:57-61, Jesus Buried in Joseph's Tomb.
7. Matthew 27:62-66, Pilate Sets a Guard.

ad. 3 The Soldiers Mock Jesus

Matthew 27:27-31

27:27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole garrison around Him.

27:28 And they stripped Him and put a scarlet robe on Him.

27:29 When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

27:30 Then they spat on Him, and took the reed and struck Him on the head.

27:31 And when they had mocked Him, they took the robe off Him, put His own clothes on Him, and led Him away to be crucified.

Jesus experiences the mockery as follows:

1. They put a scarlet robe on Him and beat Him.
It means mocking the authority of Jesus, the King.
The authority of Jesus, the King, is to defeat enemies, one of which is sin. Mocking Jesus means keeping sin.
2. They put a crown of thorns on His head.
Actually, the crown of Jesus, the King of all kings, is the rainbow or the crown of glory.
Putting a crown of thorns on Jesus's head means mocking the glory of Jesus, the King. The fact found in it is making God, parents, and pastor grieved.
3. They put a reed in His right hand, take it and strike Him on the head.
The reed refers to the power of a king.
Putting a reed to Jesus and striking Him on the head mean mocking the power of Jesus, the King.

There are three kinds of the power of Jesus, the King as follows.

1. The power to make a way in the sea.

Isaiah 43:15-16

43:15 I am the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."

43:16 Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea And a path through the mighty waters,

It refers to the power to open the Gate of Salvation in Tabernacle teaching.

1 Corinthians 10:1-2

10:1 Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea,

10:2 all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,

The children of Israel enter the Red Sea, meaning water baptism.

They should have been dead because of the pursuit of Pharaoh behind them but the way in the Red Sea is opened, so they are saved. Thus, the water baptism brings salvation.

Exodus 14:21-22

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.

14:22 So the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea on the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

Exodus 14:23,27

14:23 And the Egyptians pursued and went after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

14:27 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. So the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

The Egyptians are buried in the sea while the children of Israel are walking in the Red Sea on the dry ground.

Thus, the right water baptism is to bury the old life and sins which have enslaved us, so that we can walk in new life.

Isaiah 53:1-4

53:1 Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

53:2 For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, And as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him.

53:3 He is despised and rejected by men, A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him; He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

53:4 Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.

Jesus, who is crucified, is same as a root out of dry ground. It is as the children of Israel who walk on the dry ground.

The new life journey on the dry ground means the journey upon the sacrifice of Christ, meaning life in righteousness until we can say "yes" if "yes", "no" if "no". We also have to be firm in the true teaching.

Exodus 14:22

14:22 So the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea on the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

We will get these results if we live in righteousness.

- The wall of salvation together with praise and thanksgiving to the Lord, no grumble.

Isaiah 60:18

60:18 Violence shall no longer be heard in your land, Neither wasting nor destruction within your borders; But you shall call your walls Salvation, And your gates Praise.

- The wall of prosperity, namely preservation and protection of God in the midst of difficulties and impossibilities in the world as well as beautiful future life from Him.

Psalms 122:7

122:7 7 Peace be within your walls, Prosperity within your palaces."

The children of Israel can reach Canaan after passing through the Red Sea. Meaning the righteous life will be employed as the armor of righteousness in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain.

Mocking the power of Jesus, the King, means rejecting the right water baptism and righteous life as well as keeping on living in sins. Such life is outside the gate of salvation and will perish forever.

2. The power to open the door of heaven in order to pour out rain.

Zechariah 14:17

14:17 And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain.

It spiritually means the power to open the Door of Tabernacle in order to pour out Holy Spirit.

The Door is the way to enter the Holy Place.

It refers to the fullness of Holy Spirit.

Combining them, Holy Spirit kills the flesh with all its lusts and wills, so we can persevere to have fellowship with God through the three kinds of equipment in Holy Place as follows.

- Table of Showbread, referring to the perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion or sanctification.

John 13:23,26-27

13:23 Now there was leaning on Jesus's bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.

13:26 Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.

13:27 Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

The teaching Word and Holy Communion sanctify us from the sin of Judas, namely thief, traitor, hypocrite, and liar. If we have been sanctified from such sins, we will be able to lean on Jesus's bosom, meaning our life and death are in His hand.

John 21:20-22

21:20 Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?"

21:21 Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?"

21:22 Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me."

The death and life of one who is sanctified are in the hand of God, not other people. All matters about our life are in His hand. He is the King who is responsible for our life.

- Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service. Meaning we are faithful and good as well as faithful and responsible doing our ministry to God.
It is as a burning lamp and we will get heavenly joy. On the contrary, there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth if the lamp is quenched.
- Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Prayer Service.

Matthew 6:6

6:6 "But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly."

The worship means "shutting the door" as follows.

- Private relationship with God, heart to heart.
Worship prayer is a chance to pour out our heart to God. Pouring out our heart to other people many more, there will be gossips and spiritual dryness.
- There is no relationship with sin, the ways of the world, flesh, and all its lusts.

As a result, we can fully surrender to God.

2 Kings 4:1,4-7

4:1 A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the LORD. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves."

4:4 "And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels, and set aside the full ones."

4:5 So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured it out.

4:6 Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her, "There is not another vessel." So the oil ceased.

4:7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debt; and you and your sons live on the rest."

Elisha refers to the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain. There are many servants or children of God who are debtors, referring to being in the grip of antichrist. The debt can be in the form of sins, money, destruction in marriage and children, and unsolvable problems.

The way out is through shutting the door, meaning praying much more.

As a result, the Door is opened, meaning there is anointing oil of Holy Spirit to anoint, fill, and overflow in us until there is reserve oil in our life.

The function of Holy Spirit is to pay all our sin debts and solve problems, so our lamp can keep on burning to welcome Jesus's second coming on glorious clouds.

Mocking the power of Jesus, the King, means not persevering in doing three main services to God and not

worshipping, so one is in the grip of antichrist.

3. The power to open the door of Paradise.

Luke 23:40-43

23:40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation?"

23:41 "And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong."

23:42 Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."

23:43 And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

It is the power to open the Veil in tabernacle teaching.

If it is torn, we will be able to enter the Most Holy Place, whose length, width, and height are ten cubits each or the volume is one thousand cubits cube. Meaning we can enter the kingdom of peace a thousand years.

The Veil is torn means the crucifixion to the flesh or suffering to the flesh until we have life renewal from carnal men to spiritual ones as Jesus is, so we are worthy of entering the Paradise.

What must be renewed so we can return to the Paradise?

Genesis 3:6-7

3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.

3:7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

The life renewal is related to the fig leaves as follows.

- Disobedience.

- Failure in marriage.

Eve decides in the marriage, meaning she becomes the head, and Adam follows her. It refers to false structure of marriage. Consequently, the serpent becomes the head of the household. On the contrary, Jesus will become the head of the household if the husband becomes the head of the wife.

- Self-truth.

Genesis 3:11-13

3:11 And He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?"

3:12 Then the man said, "The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate."

3:13 And the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

It means covering the sins through blaming other people, even Satan.

The fig leaves make one's heart hard he loses the Paradise and there is curse. The Paradise refers to the ambience of blessings. We have to be alert when we are in blessings that we should not become hard in our heart or keep the disobedience, false marriage, and self-truth. Moreover, we also must be alert that we should not become hard in heart when we are in total failure like the two transgressors crucified beside Jesus. Praise the Lord that one of them can learn to the fig tree.

Matthew 24:32

24:32 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near."

Meaning we have to learn to become meek as follows.

- Humbling ourselves in order to confess our sins. After being forgiven, we should not repeat the sin.
- Confessing all failures and weaknesses.
- Surrendering fully to God and obeying Him until the flesh does not speak anymore.

For example, Jesus is obedient to the point of death on the cross, so He can stretch His powerful hand for us.

Philippians 2:8-9

2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

2:9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

Jesus stretches His hand which is full of exalting power as follows.

- To exalt us from failure to success and the ambience of Paradise.
- To employ our life to glorify God.
- To sanctify and change our life until we become as glorious as Jesus is when He comes a second time. We can return to the Paradise and enter New Jerusalem.

God blesses you.