Bible Study Service in Malang, July 28, 2022 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 16:13-16

16:13. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

16:14. For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

16:15. "Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."

16:16. And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

The three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth of the trinity of Satan cause the fornication as well as the last and the biggest battle, namely Armageddon.

Our attitude is that we must watch and keep our garments, lest we walk naked and they see our shame (verse 15). If men do not watch, they will walk naked, so they cannot reach eternal glory like Jesus. They cannot become perfect like Jesus, so they are surely left when He comes a second time. There are only two choices, namely being glorified with Jesus or being ashamed.

2 Corinthians 4:17

4:17. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,

The real eternal weight of glory comes from the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, namely the Bride Tidings or the true teaching Word or eternal Word. In the suffering, the Word that we have received will come again with the light of the glory of Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:3-9

- 4:3. But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,
- 4:4. whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.
- 4:5. For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake.
- 4:6. For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- 4:7. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.
- 4:8. We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;
- 4:9. persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed--

If the earthen vessel (our heart) is filled by the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ (the heavenly treasure), we will not get disappointed, or desperate, lose heart, and leave God although we suffer (being hard pressed on every side, crushed, persecuted, perplexed, et cetera). We will not be destroyed because of the power and glory of the light of the glory of Christ; even we can totally surrender to God until we become as glorious as Him. Totally surrendering refers to not being a fool.

Exodus 28 is about the garment of the High Priest, namely the one of righteousness, holiness, and glory, including the one of the ministry that we receive from Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

Further, Exodus 29 is about Aaron and his sons consecrated.

So, watching the ordination is the same as watching the garment of the ministry.

Exodus 29:36-37

29:36. "And you shall offer a bull every day as a sin offering for atonement. You shall cleanse the altar when you make atonement for it, and you shall anoint it to sanctify it.

29:37. "Seven days you shall make atonement for the altar and sanctify it. And the altar shall be most holy. Whatever touches the altar must be holy.

We must totally surrender to God if we want to be consecrated by Him. In the Old Testament, the total self-surrendering refers to a bull that was offered on the altar. In the New Testament, all of animal offerings have been fulfilled by Christ's sacrifice on the cross. The cross is just a wood before Jesus surrenders Himself to die on it. When Jesus says: "It is finished!", His cross becomes the altar which is most holy for us who believe in Him. We can be justified and perfected by Christ's sacrifice.

John 19:31-34

19:31. Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that

Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

- 19:32. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him.
- 19:33. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.
- 19:34. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

Jesus has died with four major injuries, namely two in the hands and two in the feet to save the Israelites who are lost because of breaking the Law. The fifth injury is the biggest and deepest one, of which blood and water come out to save the Gentiles. The blood sign refers to believing in Jesus and repenting. The water sign refers to water baptism. The blood and water signs justify and perfect us.

Romans 4:25

4:25. who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

Jesus is delivered up because of our offenses, so He can redeem our sins. Jesus is risen to justify us. Jesus is risen by the power of Holy Spirit. The fact is that He is buried in the new grave. Jesus is not risen because of other bone in His grave. Further, Jesus ascends to heaven in the glory.

Romans 8:11

8:1. There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

Acts 1:9-11

- 1:9. Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.
- 1:10. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel,
- 1:11. who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

If we become one with Jesus, we will also experience the power of God to raise and lift us up. We who are in the Bride Tidings will have the death experience such as being expelled, oppressed, *et cetera*. We must experience the death (2 Corinthians 4: 3-9), the resurrection (verse 12-15), and the glory (verse 16-17).

In the death experience, we keep being faithful like Mary, so we will see the glory of God.

In the resurrection experience, we keep believing in Jesus and living in the fullness of Holy Spirit. Thus, the cross of Christ becomes the altar which is most holy.

The cross of Christ will emit the light of the glory. Holy Spirit who raises Jesus is also able to take care of our physical life that is in the weakness, illness, *et cetera*until He makes us perfect. We are as glorious as Jesus forever.

So, Exodus 29 refers to the total self-surrendering of Jesus who has died on the cross for us.

Exodus 29:38-42

- 29:38. " Now this is what you shall offer on the altar: two lambs of the first year, day by day continually.
- 29:39. "One lamb you shall offer in the morning, and the other lamb you shall offer at twilight.
- 29:40. "With the one lamb shall be one-tenth of an ephah of flour mixed with one-fourth of a hin of pressed oil, and one-fourth of a hin of wine as a drink offering.
- 29:41. "And the other lamb you shall offer at twilight; and you shall offer with it the grain offering and the drink offering, as in the morning, for a sweet aroma, an offering made by fire to the LORD.
- 29:42. "This shall be a continual burnt offering throughout your generations at the door of the tabernacle of meeting before the LORD, where I will meet you to speak with you.

Offering two lambs day by day means that after we believe in Jesus and become saved, we must surrender ourselves to be consecrated to minister to God, so our surrendering and ordination keep being renewed day by day. Otherwise, our ministry can decrease; even we lose our surrendering to God. Consequently, we become boring and leave the ministry to God.

The offerings of total self-surrendering and ordination (verse 39) must be with one-tenth of an ephah of flour mixed with one-fourth of a hin of pressed oil, and one-fourth of a hin of wine as a drink offering. It means that the self-surrendering and offering that we give must always be renewed through the things as follows:

1. One-tenth of an ephah of flour refers to the **perseverance in committing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion** (the Table of Showbread). We have fellowship with Son of God in the Word and His sacrifice. We must hear and obey the true teaching Word, so we experience the purification continuously, starting from the seven sins that are hated by God.

Proverbs 6:16-19

- 6:16. These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:
- 6:17. A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood,
- 6:18. A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil,
- 6:19. A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.

We must always use the opportunity to be renewed. We must be purified from the seven sins that are hated by God, namely A proud look (1), A lying tongue (keep changing in word and teaching) (2), Hands with the sinful deeds that harm others(3), A heart that devises wicked plans (4), the unclean and wicked feet (the journey of life) (5), A false witness (6), and the self-truth (7).

The total self-surrendering is started from hearing the Bride Tidings earnestly. We are not sleepy, boring, criticizing, *et cetera*. Further, we can return the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offerings. We believe that God has blessed and taken care of us. Further, we can surrender our sin, so we can live in righteousness and holiness to be used in the ministry of the perfect body of Christ.

2. One-fourth of a hin of pressed oil refers to the **perseverance in committing General Service**(the Golden Candlestick). The pressed oil means that we experience the tearing and crucifixion of the flesh with all of its desire, lust, and demand, so we live in the anointing of Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit will give us understanding.

Job 32:8

32:8. But there is a spirit in man, And the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding.

Philippians 2:5-8

- 2:5. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,
- 2:6. who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,
- 2:7. but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.
- 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.

If we have surrendered our sin to Jesus, we will receive the seven minds and feelings of Jesus, namely (1) self-surrendering, (2) not keeping the reputation or dignity or right, (3) making Himself of no reputation, (4) taking the form of a bondservant, (5) coming in the likeness of men, (6) humbling Himself, and (7) being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore, but we just follow the will of God. We do not raise our own will. Our own will is often like Martha and Mary when Lazarus died for four days. We often insist for recovery from God, even though He has provided the bigger thing, namely the dead becomes alive even to be glorified. The thing that God provides for us is bigger than the one that is insisted by the flesh.

3. One-fourth of a hin of wine as a drink offering. The wine refers to the sweetness of happiness in God's love that we receive in the **perseverance in committing Prayer Service**(the Golden Altar of Incense). The prayer is the process of tearing the flesh with all of its desire and lust. We must watch because we do not know when Jesus comes a second time.

Romans 12:10

12:10. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another;

We must (1) be kindly affectionate to one another, (2) in honor giving preference to one another (no disrespect), (3) edify or help one another, (4), confess and forgive one another, (5) admonish one another, (6) care for one another, and (7) pray for one another. Thus, we aim at perfection (the number seven).

Romans 14:19

14:19. Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another.

Ephesians 4:32

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

James 5:16

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.

Romans 15:14

15:14. Now I myself am confident concerning you, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.

Hebrews 10:24

10:24. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works,

So, the renewal of life happens in the sheepfold, namely the perseverance in the three kinds of main service to God. That is why, the priests or the servants of God must be shepherded well, to persevere in the three kinds of main service to God. Otherwise, we will experience the spiritual dryness. We become boring, and the tongue is also dry, so we produce vain words. We just blame at other and are not willing to confess our sin. It continues up to the spiritual death and leaving the ministry. If we are not renewed, we will be torn by beast up to perdition forever. Nothing can hinder us if we are shepherded as well as experience the renewal and self-surrendering in the offering of consecration.

1 Corinthians 7:32-34

- 7:32. But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord--how he may please the Lord.
- 7:33. But he who is married cares about the things of the world--how he may please his wife.
- 7:34. There is a difference between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman cares about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But she who is married cares about the things of the world--how she may please her husband.

A drink offering means that we pay attention to the heavenly thing, namely the ministry, *et cetera*without care, fear, and doubt anymore. Those who are unmarried care for the things of the Lord. But those who are married must make every effort more to care for God.

1 Peter 2:19

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

A drink offering means that we willingly endure grief, suffering wrongfully. The example is that Stephen keeps looking Jesus who sits at the right hand of the Father God, so a light illuminates Saul. Saul can be changed to become Paul, the apostle who is used for the glory of the name of God. Do not slander and gossip!

Acts 7:54-60

- 7:54. When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth.
- 7:55. But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus <u>standing</u>at the right hand of God.
- 7:56. and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standingat the right hand of God!"
- 7:57. Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord;
- 7:58. and they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul.
- 7:59. And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."
- 7:60. Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

That is why we may not get disappointed, desperate, and afraid against anything. Jesus as the High Priest and the Great Shepherd is standing. It means that it is the time for Jesus to minister to us.

The results are as follows:

a. Hebrews 4:14-16

- 4:14. Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.
- 4:15. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.
- 4:16. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Jesus stretches out His hand to help us in time of need.

b. Ecclesiastes 3:11

3:11. He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end.

The merciful hand of the High Priest is able to make everything beautiful in its time.

c. 1 Peter 5:6

5:6. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

The merciful hands of God, the High Priest, and the Great Shepherd exalt us in due time. It means that we are used by God for the glory of His name. We are also purified and changed up to perfection like Jesus. We are not ashamed but we are glorified with Jesus. We enter the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace (the upcoming Paradise) and the New Jerusalem forever.

God blesses us.