

Bible Study Service in Malang, June 13, 2024 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 21:22

21:22. *But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.*

It means that there is no more physical temple. The temple in the New Jerusalem is God and the Lamb.

That is why we must use the physical temple in the world at this moment to minister to God earnestly, so we can see and experience the workings of God and the Lamb.

The facts of looking at the Lamb are as follows:

1. Looking at the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world or looking at Jesus as the Savior. It is the sign of death.

John 1:29

1:29. *The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*

Matthew 15:24

15:24. *But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."*

John 19:32-33

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.*

Actually, Jesus comes to the world and dies on the cross with the four major injuries, namely two in the hands and two in the feet to seek and save the Israelites who are the lost sheep.

John 19:34

19:34. *But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.*

The fifth injury at Jesus' side, of which blood and water come out, is God's opportunity and mercy for the Gentiles to see Him as the Lamb and be saved.

The facts are as follows:

- Receiving the blood sign--the Altar of Burnt Offerings. It means believing in Jesus as the only Savior as well as repenting or stopping sinning and returning to God

1 Corinthians 5:11

5:11. *But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral⁽¹⁾, or covetous⁽²⁾, or an idolater⁽³⁾, or a reviler⁽⁴⁾, or a drunkard⁽⁵⁾, or an extortioner⁽⁶⁾--not even to eat with such a person.*

If our body, soul, and spirit are purified by Jesus' blood like the lintel and the two doorposts of the Israelites which were stroke with the blood, we will be able to repent from the six ingrained sins that make us unable to become one body of Christ.

Not repenting is the same as trampling Jesus' blood, so one spiritually dies up to being unable to repent. Consequently, he will be destroyed.

- The water sign. It means the true water baptism.
We experience the freedom from sin, so we live in righteousness and holiness up to our heart--pure.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

5:7. *Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.*

5:8. *Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*

We hold fast to the true and pure teaching Word.

Limit our company with the fence of sincerity and truth! As a result, we can become one body of Christ.

The water sign also refers to Holy Spirit baptism.

Romans 8:15

8:15. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

Holy Spirit puts to death the lust of the flesh, so we can become obedient

Galatians 3:13-14

3:13. Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"),

3:14. that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

As a result, we are saved. We are set free from curse and punishment of the sins.

We are blessed with the blessing of Abraham spiritually, namely the anointing of Holy Spirit, so we are lifted up to become God's sheep. Physically, we are blessed up to our descendants, and we become the blessing for others up to eternal life.

That is why we must always see Jesus' side that is pierced, so we keep living in righteousness and holiness.

2. **Looking at Jesus as the Lamb of God or looking at Jesus who has risen.** It is the sign of resurrection.

John 1:35-37

1:35. Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples.

1:36. And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!"

1:37. The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.

The facts are as follows

- Following Jesus as the Shepherd.

John 10:4

10:4. "And when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice."

The sheep follow the steps of the shepherd. We become the shepherded sheep. We are always in the sheepfold.

1 Peter 5:5

5:5. Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

Who can be shepherded? Those who are lowly in heart and obedient.

Proverbs 28:9

28:9. One who turns away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer is an abomination.

The duty of the shepherd is having responsibility for our salvation by feeding and lifting up the intercession prayer, so we are stable in sincerity and truth. We are stable in God's salvation and blessing.

The fleshly men are wild. They always follow the lust of the flesh, so they just commit sins up to perdition. In the shepherding, the lust of the flesh is repressed, so we can follow God's will.

1 John 2:17

2:17. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

Following the lust of the flesh, man will be destroyed together with the world

1 Peter 5:8

5:8. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may

devour.

Not being shepherded, he will be surely torn by the lion.

The shepherd who is not shepherded is bringing in the lion into the sheepfold, so all things will be destroyed.

○ Following Jesus as the Teacher.

John 1:38

1:38. Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek? " They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?"

If a shepherd is the teacher, he will preach the repeated true teaching Word, namely the shepherding one, so it becomes the spiritual food for the congregation, and they grow spiritually up to perfection.

Mark 7:21-22

7:21. "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries(1), fornications(2), murders(3), 7:22. thefts (4), covetousness (5), wickedness (6), deceit (7), lewdness(8), an evil eye(9), blasphemy (10), pride (11), foolishness (12).

As a result, our heart is purified from the twelve desires of evil, uncleanness, and bitterness. We can keep our faithfulness and holiness in marriage, shepherding, and so on.

Genesis 37:2

37:2. This is the history of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brothers. And the lad was with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.

We do not compromise with sins.

Genesis 37:3

37:3. Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age. Also he made him a tunic of many colors.

The result is receiving a tunic of many colors. We have beautiful and successful future in due time.

'I shall not want' means experiencing the physical and spiritual preservation abundantly up to perfection.

3. **Looking at the Lamb of God who comes a second time on the glorious clouds**--the sign of glory.

Revelation 1:7

1:7. Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

The fact is experiencing the renewal of life.

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.

The hard heart is changed to become gentle and sincere.

John 1:46-48

1:46. And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see.

1:47. Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!"

1:48. Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you."

There is no deceit or hypocrisy.

- The fig tree in Garden Eden. Its leaves were used to cover the nakedness of Adam and Eve. They had been blessed. They had had the atmosphere of Garden Eden, but they hardened their heart in the marriage, so they fell into sin. They failed and had self-truth.

- The fig tree by the road. It did not bear the fruit, so it was cursed by God.
It means hardening the heart in the ministry, so one is not changed like the collapse temple of God. It means as follows:
 - a. The self-interest.
Haggai 1:9
1:9. "You looked for much, but indeed it came to little; and when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why?" says the LORD of hosts. "Because of My house that is in ruins, while every one of you runs to his own house.
 - b. Keeping delaying to minister.
Haggai 1:2
1:2. "Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying: 'This people says, "The time has not come, the time that the LORD'S house should be built.'"
 - c. The false teaching that overthrows us.
Ezekiel 13:3-4
*13:3. Thus says the Lord GOD: "Woe to the foolish prophets, who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing!
13:4. "O Israel, your prophets are like foxes in the deserts.*
 - d. The idle words.
Proverbs 11:11
11:11. By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted, But it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.
- The fig tree on the last days can become gentle.
Luke 7:13
7:13. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."

As a result, God's merciful hand takes away the suffering, failure, problem, and impossibility.

God blesses us.