Bible Study Service in Malang, March 10, 2020 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 11:2

11:2. "But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months.

In Patmos Island, God showed the court of the temple which did not fulfill the measurement to John, so the people had to be persecuted by the Antichrist for three and a half years.

There are two possibilities that happen in the days when the Antichrist reigns over the world as follows:

- 1. The big possibility. Many servants of God worship the Antichrist and deny Jesus because they cannot endure the persecution of the Antichrist. They are stamped with 666. They are not persecuted by the Antichrist or the flesh is comfortable. They become the same as the Antichrist as well as persecute and hurt the left servants of God. Nevertheless, they will be destroyed forever with the Antichrist when Jesus comes a second time.
- 2. The small possibility. Only few servants of God can endure and worship Jesus. They do not deny God although they must be persecuted by the sword of the Antichrist until being beheaded. This is for fulfilling the measurement of God, namely the Veil is torn until being perfect when Jesus comes a second time.

The Tabernacle consists of three rooms as follows:

- The Court. It refers to the righteousness or salvation.
 The righteousness or salvation is the result of the work of the Gospel Word that brings the sinners to believe Jesus and repent or die to sin and get the renewal by the water and Spirit. We get the new life, namely in righteousness, so we are saved and blessed by God.
- 2. The Holy Place. It refers to the holiness.
- 3. The Most Holy Place. It refers to the perfection.

 The holiness and perfection are the result of the work of the Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword which sanctifies and perfects the saved people to be the heavenly bride.

Thus, the court of the temple which is not measured refers to the servants of God who only receive the Gospel Word. They are saved and blessed, but reject the work of the teaching Word. It is the same as not being willing to get the sanctification and being satisfied only by the physical things or blessings.

Not being sanctified means not being willing to enter the Holy Place or the sheepfold. It is the same as not being willing to be shepherded.

Proverbs 12:26

12:26. The righteous should choose his friends carefully, For the way of the wicked leads them astray.

After living in righteousness and being the instruments of righteousness, we must enter the sheepfold. In the shepherding, we firmly live in righteousness and God's blessings. Moreover, we increase in the righteousness and salvation, namely being sanctified until being as perfect as Jesus is.

Genesis 25:25-27

25:25. And the first came out red. He was like a hairy garment all over; so they called his name Esau.

25:26 Afterward his brother came out, and his hand took hold of Esau's heel; so his name was called Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them.

25:27 So the boys grew. And Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field; but Jacob was a mild man, dwelling in tents.

Esau was red. It refers to the sign of blood, namely believing and repenting.

He was like a hairy garment all over. It refers to the life in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

He also received the blessings of God up to the firstborn right.

Unfortunately, he did not want to dwell in the tent. It means not being willing to be shepherded and sanctified. He liked hunting, namely only pursuing the fleshly things. He got the physical things, but lost the spiritual ones until he lost everything.

The signs of the servants of God who are not shepherded like Esau are as follows:

1. Despising the birthright; even selling it.

Genesis 25:29-34

25:29. Now Jacob cooked a stew; and Esau came in from the field, and he was weary.

25:30 And Esau said to Jacob, "Please feed me with that same red stew, for I am weary." Therefore his name was called Edom.

25:31 But Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright as of this day."

25:32 And Esau said, "Look, I am about to die; so what is this birthright to me?"

25:33 Then Jacob said, "Swear to me as of this day." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.

25:34 And Jacob gave Esau bread and stew of lentils; then he ate and drank, arose, and went his way. Thus <u>Esau</u> despised his birthright.

Hebrews 12:16

12:16. lest there be any fornicator or profane person like Esau, who for one morsel of food sold his birthright.

James 1:18

1:18. Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

The fact found in it is rejecting the work of the sanctification Word or not being willing to be the firstborn son like Jesus. In the Tabernacle, it is the same as rejecting the perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service and the Holy Communion (the Table of Showbread). Consequently, one keeps the sins up to the peak.

Being willing to be sanctified by the sword of the Word, we will experience the repeated sanctification until being as perfect as Jesus is.

Revelation 22:11

22:11. "He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still."

On the last days, there are two increasing flows as follows:

- o One who commits sin will peak on sins until perishing forever.
- One who is willingly sanctified by the sword of the Word will keep on being sanctified until entering the New Jerusalem.

2. Losing the beautiful tunic.

Genesis 27:15

27:15. Then Rebekah took the choice clothes of her elder son Esau, which were with her in the house, and put them on Jacob her younger son.

It means not being faithful in the service and ministry to God according to the priest's office which He has entrusted. In the tabernacle, it is the same as rejecting the perseverance in doing the General Service (the Golden Candlestick) and the fellowship service.

The consequences are as follows:

- Losing the beautiful tunic or the ministry and the gifts of Holy Spirit.
 Not the worldly things determine the beauty of our life, but the beautiful tunic or the ministry.
- o Being naked and ashamed.

Do not ever be naked. We must increase the beautiful tunic to be the fine linen, clean and bright. We must be more faithful and fervent in spirit in the service and ministry to God until the end line, regardless of anything we must sacrifice.

3. Taking as wives the women whom God had forbidden.

Genesis 26:34-35

26:34. When Esau was forty years old, he took as wives Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Basemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite.

26:35 And they were a grief of mindto Isaac and Rebekah.

Deuteronomy 7:1,3-4

7:1. "When the LORD your God brings you into the land which you go to possess, and has cast out many nations before

you, the Hittites and the Girgashites and the Amorites and the Canaanites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than you,

7:3 "Nor shall you make marriages with them. You shall not give your daughter to their son, nor take their daughter for your son.

7:4 "For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so the anger of the LORD will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly.

Genesis 24:2-3

24:2. So Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, who ruled over all that he had, "Please, put your hand under my thigh.

24:3 "and I will make you swear by the LORD, the God of heaven and the God of the earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell;

When Esau was forty years old, he took as wives the women whom God had forbidden. It means that he rejected the crucifixion of the flesh, so he fell in the mix marriage, divorce-remarrying, and marrying-being given in the marriage. In the Tabernacle, it is the same as rejecting the perseverance in doing the Prayer Service (the Golden Altar of Incense).

Not being willing to experience the crucifixion of the flesh, one will not get the renewal of life, but keep on being the man of flesh and blood with the eighteen characteristics of the flesh.

2 Timothy 3:1-5

- 3:1. But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:
- 3:2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 3:3 unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good,
- 3:4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,
- 3:5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

Consequently, he enters the persecution of the Antichrist.

Keeping on worshiping God, he will be beheaded.

Worshiping the Antichrist, he will be the same as the Antichrist, who will be destroyed forever.

The consequences of not being shepherded like Esau are as follows:

1. Meeting the lion which is ready to swallow until being dead spiritually.

Genesis 25:30

25:30. And Esau said to Jacob, "Please feed me with that same red stew, for I am <u>weary</u>." Therefore his name was called Edom.

The life is in fear, weariness, heavy burden, and hopelessness.

2. Living in curses.

Genesis 27:33-34

27:33. Then Isaac trembled exceedingly, and said, "Who? Where is the one who hunted game and brought it to me? I ate all of it before you came, and I have blessed him -- and indeed he shall be blessed."

27:34 When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with an exceedingly great and bitter cry, and said to his father, "Bless me -- me also, O my father!"

The right attitude is like Jacob's, namely persevering in the sheepfold. As a result, we cannot be touched by Satan, but God. We confess that we are only the sheep for the slaughter and there is only a step between us and the death. We only hope for God's mercy. God as the Great Shepherd will stretch out His merciful hands to us.

The results are as follows:

1. The merciful hands of God are able to give the guarantee of the assurance for preserving our life that is small and powerless in the midst of difficulties and shakings in the world.

John 10:27-28

10:27. "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

10:28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

The merciful hands of God make us able to endure all things. The merciful hands of God also give victory over the stronger

enemies.

2. The merciful hands of God are able to make all things good, successful, and beautiful.

John 10:11

10:11. "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

3. The merciful hands of God lead us to the New Jerusalem.

Revelation 7:17

7:17. "for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

It continues until there is no more tear.

God blesses you.