

Bible Study Service in Malang, March 22, 2018 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 7:1

7:1 After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.

The spiritual meanings of the wind are as follows:

1. One who experiences the renewal of water and the Holy Spirit, so he lives in righteousness, makes himself of no reputation or does his duty without demanding the right, and obeys God.

John 3:5-8

3:5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

3:7 Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'

3:8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

2. The priests or ministers of God.

Psalms 104:4

104:4 Who makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire.

So, the wind refers to a priest or a minister of God who lives in righteousness, makes himself of no reputation, and obeys God. It is the same as the messenger of God in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

The wind that blows means that the priests or ministers of God are used to bring the freshness, the life, and the fragrance of God through two things as follows:

- The Good News or the Gospel of Salvation that brings sinners to believe in Jesus and be saved. It increases the quantity of the body of Christ.
- The Bride Tidings or the True Teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword that chooses people who have been saved to be sanctified until being as perfect as Jesus. It increases the quality of the body of Christ.

So, the wind that blows refers to the priests or ministers of God who are used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ. It starts from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, until the Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ. Therefore, the heavenly bride consists of the wind that blows.

Be watchful, there is the wind that does not blow [Revelation 7:1].

The spiritual meanings of the wind that does not blow are as follows:

1. Christians who have been saved and blessed by God but not wanting to be a priest and king or having no ministry.
2. Priests and kings who are not faithful until leaving the service and ministry to God.
3. Priests and kings who serve and minister to God, but their ordination is rejected by Him because it does not according to the Word.
4. There is no chance anymore. We cannot serve and ministry to God because the building of the body of Christ has finished.

If the wind does not blow, the weather will be hot. It means that there is no peace or freshness. The heart is heated and the face is grim, so there are quarrels and murders. If the wind does not blow, it will smell. It means that one lives in sin up to the peak or the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage until experiencing the spiritual death or being inactive in spiritual activities up to the second death in hell forever.

Why does the wind not blow?

1. Keeping the flesh or covering the wrongdoings.
2. Being influenced by the world.

1 John 2:15-17

2:15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

2:16 For all that is in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--is not of the Father but is of the world.

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

There are three kinds of the influence of the world as follows:

a. The lusts of the eyes that mean as follows:

- Pursuing the flesh or physical things by doing any way that is not in line with the Word.
- Leading to the sins concerning eating-drinking such as smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse.

b. The lust of the flesh that refers to the desires of wickedness and uncleanness.

The desire of wickedness refers to the love of money that leads to stinginess and greediness. Stinginess means that one cannot give. Greediness means that one robs others' and God's possession.

The desire of uncleanness leads to the sins of marrying-giving in marriage and bitterness such as envy, hatred, and revenge.

c. The pride of life or the desires of the ears.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers;

4:4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

The desire of the ears means the one to listen other false teachings such as satanic teaching or gossips that are not in line with the True Teaching Word.

Ephesians 5:4

5:4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

Likewise in these days, there are many foolish talking and coarse jesting in the church.

If one hears other false teaching that is not in line with the Shepherding Word, he will doubt. It means that the serpent wins, so he will surely choose the wrong one like Eutychus, Eve, and Solomon. It continues until leaving or rejecting the True Teaching Word. His conscience is marked with 666 by antichrist, so it will be hard to turn back.

1 Timothy 4:1-2

4:1 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,

4:2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,

The pride of life also means to rely on something in this world more than God.

The influences of the world affect the priests or ministers of God to love the world, so they do neither love God nor obey His will. If one is not obedient to God, he cannot make himself of no reputation, but being arrogant and demanding his right without doing his duty.

If the minister or servant of God only demands the right, he will be a troublemaker.

The wind does not blow means one who does not serve God, but Satan. He will be destroyed with the world forever.

Therefore, we must love God more than anything.

The fact is that the fleshly man does not have love, but only emotion, ambition, desire and the lust of the flesh.

Where do we receive the love? We receive it only through the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. If Jesus had not been crucified, this world would have been in crisis of love and destruction.

How do we receive the love of God from the cross?

1. Through the shepherding pen.

John 21:15-17

21:15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

21:16 He said to him again a second time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep."

21:17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him

the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep.

We must pass through the narrow door or the crucifixion to the flesh to enter the shepherding pen. In tabernacle, it refers to the Holy Place that means the perseverance in 3 main services.

- The Golden Candlestick, the perseverance in doing General Service, or the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts.
- The Table of Showbread, the perseverance in doing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion, or the fellowship with the Son of God in the True Teaching Word and Holy Communion.
- The Golden Altar of Incense, the perseverance in doing Prayer Service, or the fellowship with the Father God in His love.

In shepherding pen, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God, so the results are as follow:

- We are not affected by the trinity of Satan and the world.
- We experience the works of the True Teaching Word which is repeated or the voice of the Shepherd to sanctify us from repeated sin.
We can confess sin to God and others. It is the same as coming to the cross. So, the blood of Jesus wipes away all of our sins. We do not sin anymore, but receive the love of God from the cross.

Proverbs 28:13

28:13 He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

So, we can love God more than anything and love others like ourselves, even to love the enemy.

John 21:18

21:18 Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish."

It continues until we can stretch our hands to God or be obedient until the flesh does not sound anymore. It means that we become the wind that blows or the priests and ministers of God who are used in the ministry of building the body of Christ until the end line.

2. Through the fiery trial, the suffering of the flesh, or the cross with Christ.

John 21:19

21:19 This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me."

1 Peter 4:12-14

4:12 Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

4:13 but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

4:14 If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

Some of the forms are as follows:

- The suffering in the flesh because of righteousness as well as the service and ministry to God.
- The suffering in the flesh because of facing trials, problems, and sins.
- The suffering in the flesh because of facing false teaching and worship.

Why are we allowed to face the cross?

In order to make our service and ministry to God become pure and glorify Him. Accordingly, we will receive the spirit of glory.

Romans 5:5

5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was

given to us.

The Holy Spirit or the spirit of glory gives the love of God, so we are not disappointed and hopeless as well as do not give up and leave God. We constantly love and worship God, and He will stretch His lovingkindness hands to us.

- It resolves all problems up to the impossible one. There is a way out or a bright and beautiful future.

Daniel 3:16-19,24-25,28

3:16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter.

3:17 If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king.

3:18 But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

3:19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated.

3:24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king."

3:25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

3:28 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him, and they have frustrated the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God!"

- For renewing our lives until we are as glorious as Him.

1 Thessalonians 1:6

1:6 And you became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit,

God blesses us.