

Bible Study Service in Malang, March 30, 2023 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:6-10 is about the marriage supper of the Lamb of God. It refers to the second coming of Jesus in the glory of the King of kings and the Heavenly Bridegroom to bring us into the marriage supper of the Lamb of God (Revelation 19), the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace (Revelation 20), and the New Jerusalem (Revelation 21-22).

Revelation 19:9

19:9. Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

The bible is started by the book of Genesis that writes the happiness of the physical marriage between Adam and Eve in Garden Eden. But they were deceived by Satan, so they sinned. They were naked, so they were driven out of Eden to enter into the world. They experienced the curse atmosphere, namely labor, heavy laden, and toil up to perdition.

The bible is ended by the book of Revelation that writes the spiritual marriage between Jesus as the Heavenly Bridegroom and the perfect church of God as the heavenly bride to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God, Paradise, and the New Jerusalem.

Jesus fixes the broken marriage little by little, so it becomes happier up to the peak, namely the marriage supper of the Lamb of God. It is the peak of our relationship with God.

That is why we must increase our relationship with God because there is but a step between us and death.

The three kinds of death that targets us are as follows:

1. The physical death. Those are not risen when Jesus comes a second time.
2. The spiritual death because of living in sins up to the peak.
3. The second death, namely the lake of fire and brimstone.

Revelation 20:14-15

20:14. Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

20:15. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

The increase of our relationship with God is as follows:

1. The relationship between the son and Father through the Gospel Word.

Matthew 3:16-17

3:16. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

3:17. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

The result of the true water baptism is that the heavens are opened. We receive the new life or the heavenly one, namely we live in the anointing of Holy Spirit. It means living in righteousness, so we become the sons of God.

But there is still the lost son.

2. The relationship between the disciple and Teacher through the teaching Word.

John 6:66

6:66. From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.

But, there is still the disciple who goes back and walks with God no more.

3. The relationship between the sheep and Shepherd.

But there is still the lost sheep.

4. The relationship between the body and Head that cannot be separated by anything. It is the same as the relationship of the spiritual marriage. There is no more space with God, so we cannot be controlled by the death.

The book of Revelation emphasizes the relationship of the spiritual marriage up to three times. It refers to the protection of the Trinity of God for His church, so it is not controlled by the death.

The relationships of the spiritual marriage in the book of Revelation are as follows:

1. The relationship in the ministry up to worshiping--the neck.

Revelation 8:1-5

8:1. When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.

8:2. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.

8:3. Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

8:4. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand.

8:5. Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.

The peak of our ministry to God is the worship. It is the ministry to God that increases up to the worship.

The relationship of the worship makes silence. It is the rest in Holy Spirit

The two opposite situations are as follows:

- Those who minister to God until they worship Him will experience silence or peace because they have put Jesus as the Head.
- The world is getting shaken, passing away, and perishing.

Matthew 11:28-30

11:28. "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

11:29. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

11:30. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

The process of experiencing the rest or peace in Holy Spirit is that we learn to Jesus who is gentle and lowly in heart until He dies on the cross.

Being lowly in heart means that one can confess his sin to God and others. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven! We can accept the fact in our life. Not reaching a thing yet means that the time of God has not yet come. God's will will surely be more beautiful than ours.

Being gentle means that we can receive the teaching Word no matter how hard it is to purify us. We can forgive others' sin and forget it.

As a result, the blood of Jesus finishes all of our sins, so we experience peace or rest in Holy Spirit.

If we keep committing sin, we will be in labor, heavy burden, and tears up to perdition.

The results of having the peaceful heart are as follows:

- All things become easy and light in our life, marriage, ministry, *et cetera*.
- Experiencing the power of God to calm all wind and waves in the ocean of the world.
- The death has no power anymore.

2. The relationship of happiness.

Revelation 19:9

19:9. Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

There are many people measure the happiness with the physical things.

Revelation 1:3

1:3. Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

The measurement of the real happiness is that we can read, hear, and keep the true teaching Word.

The prophetic Word reveals the second coming of God and His punishment over the world.

We must delightfully hear and obey the true teaching Word. Otherwise, we will suffer up to perdition.

Psalm 119:92

119:92. Unless Your law had been my delight, I would then have perished in my affliction.

The results are as follows:

- We experience the heavenly bliss that cannot be influenced by anything in the world, so we always give thanks to God in all things.
- We experience the purification.

Hebrews 4:12-13

4:12. For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

4:13. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

The heart and mind are purified from the unclean desire, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage. It is also purified from the bitterness, namely envy, hatred, and revenge.

The heart and mind are also purified from the evil desire, namely the will of money, the love of money, and looking for money with the way which is not lawful. The evil desire makes one become greedy and stingy.

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

9:6. But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

9:7. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

9:8. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

If we are purified, we will be able to return the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offerings. We can give cheerfully and as we purpose in our heart for God's working and others who are in need.

As a result, God is able to make all grace abound toward us to take care of our life abundantly in the midst of the difficulties of the world. We become the blessing for others, and may have an abundance for every good work. We can love our enemy by returning good for evil. It is the cloth of the bride.

Revelation 19:8

19:8. And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

John 8:51

8:51. "Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death."

We shall never see death but live forever.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

4:16. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first

4:17. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

4:18. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

One who does not believe in Jesus will not risen when he dies. It means being controlled by the death.

But those who believe in God shall never see death. They just take a rest, and they will be risen.

3. The relationship of renewal.

Revelation 21:1-3

21:1. Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

21:2. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

21:3. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell

with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

Revelation 21:8

21:8. "But the cowardly⁽¹⁾, unbelieving⁽²⁾, abominable⁽³⁾, murderers⁽⁴⁾, sexually immoral⁽⁵⁾, sorcerers⁽⁶⁾, idolaters⁽⁷⁾, and all liars⁽⁸⁾ shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

The renewal to enter the New Jerusalem is laying aside the eight sins as follows:

- Cowardly. It means being afraid of something until having no fear of God.
- Unbelieving or doubtful, so one drowns.

James 1:6

1:6. But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

- Abominable.
- Murderers.
- Sexually immoral.
- Sorcerers.
- Idolaters.
- Liars. It is changed to being honest, so we become the house of prayer.

Ecclesiastes 7:29

7:29. Truly, this only I have found: That God made man upright, But they have sought out many schemes."

We return to become the first creation. We win together with God over the trinity of Satan.

Genesis 1:26

1:26. Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

All things become good.

Genesis 1:10

1:10. And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

Isaiah 52:13-14

52:13. Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

52:14. Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men;

Jesus is willing to become marred on the cross to help men who are marred, so they become good.

God is able to take care of us in the midst of the difficulties of the world.

God is able to finish all of impossible problems. All things become beautiful and successful in His time.

Genesis 1:31

1:31. Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

It continues until indeed all things are very good. We become perfect when Jesus comes a second time.

God blesses us.