

Bible Study Service in Malang, May 04, 2017 (Thursday Evening)

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

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 marriage supper of the Lamb is the meeting between Jesus, who comes a second time in the glory as the Head, the King of all kings, or the Heavenly Bridegroom, and the perfect church as the heavenly bride on the glorious clouds. It refers to the Ark of the Covenant in Tabernacle [Exodus 25:10-22].

God showed the heavenly kingdom to Moses on Mount Sinai. He commanded him to make the heavenly kingdom on earth, namely Tabernacle, so that on earth as it is in heaven. It refers to the Tabernacle teachings now.

Moses also got the two tablets of stone on Mount Sinai. It refers to the teachings about the bride.

The two things refer to the Bride Tidings in the light of tabernacle or the Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword.

The Ark of the Covenant consists of two parts as follows.

1. The mercy seat with two cherubim made of pure gold.

Exodus 25:17-19

25:17 *"You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold; two and a half cubits shall be its length and a cubit and a half its width.*

25:18 *"And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work you shall make them at the two ends of the mercy seat.*

25:19 *"Make one cherub at one end, and the other cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim at the two ends of it of one piece with the mercy seat.*

The first cherub refers to Father God or the Lord.

The mercy seat with the sprinkling of blood refers to the Son of God or Jesus.

The second cherub refers to Holy Spirit God or Christ.

Thus, the mercy seat refers to the trinity of God in Jesus in His glory as the King of all kings or the heavenly Bridegroom.

Romans 8:11

8:11 *But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.*

The process happens through the death of Jesus on the cross to redeem the sins of men although He is a godly man who does not sin. He is resurrected by Holy Spirit in the body of glory.

2. The ark. It refers to the perfect church as the heavenly bride.

Exodus 25:10-11

25:10 *"And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two and a half cubits shall be its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height.*

25:11 *"And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around.*

The ark is made of acacia wood which is overlaid with gold inside and out. The acacia wood is black, referring to the brittle and sinful fleshly men. The pure gold refers to the holiness of Holy Spirit.

The fleshly men get the sanctification or the power of resurrection of Holy Spirit, so the flesh is not visible anymore. It becomes a glorious body like Jesus.

Be careful of false teachings. Sadducees [Matthew 22:23-33] teach that there is no resurrection. It means that they reject the power of the resurrection of Jesus or Holy Spirit and keep the sinful fleshly men, so they cannot be as perfect as Jesus. The facts found in the fleshly men without Holy Spirit are as follows.

1. The deeds are in the flesh.

Galatians 5:19-21

5:19 *Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,*

5:20 *idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,*

5:21 *envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.*

Consequently, they cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven.

2. The characteristics are in the flesh as follows.

- Hypocrisy or pretense; there is no sincerity or honesty.

Luke 12:1

12:1 *In the meantime, when an innumerable multitude of people had gathered together, so that they trampled one another, He began to say to His disciples first of all, "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.*

- Fear.

Luke 12:4-5

12:4 *"And I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.*

12:5 *"But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear Him who, after He has killed, has power to cast into hell; yes, I say to you, fear Him!"*

It means that they fear of something in the world until resisting against God.

- Covetousness, stinginess, and greediness.

Luke 12:15

12:15 *And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."*

- Worry.

Luke 12:22

12:22 *Then He said to His disciples, "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on.*

It refers to the worry about daily life and the future. The worry may cause disadvantage physically by shortening the age and spiritually by drying the spirituality. We must not worry, but use every step of life or hear-beat to minister to God for the edifying of the perfect body of Christ. It starts from the marriage and shepherding.

- Negligence or unfaithfulness in the service and ministry to God.

Luke 12:45-46

12:45 *"But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk,*

12:46 *"the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.*

Consequently, one becomes evil and lazy. Laziness means that he is not fervent anymore in doing spiritual things.

3. Keeping the wills of the flesh which are contradictory to the ones of God.

Romans 8:6-7

8:6 *For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.*

8:7 *Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.*

Matthew 7:21

7:21 *"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.*

Obedience will open the door of the heavenly kingdom. Moreover, the doors in the world must also be opened if we are obedient.

Luke 7:37-38

7:37 *And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house,*

brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil,

7:38 and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil.

The sinful men can receive Holy Spirit like the acacia wood which is overlaid with gold. The process is as follows.

1. Hearing the true teaching Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword and able to point at our hidden sins.
2. Weeping. It means that we realize and regret our sins.
3. Kissing the feet of Jesus. It means that we feel not precious and confess our sins to God and other people to make peace.

We are overlaid with the holiness of Holy Spirit. The functions of the power of the resurrection of Holy Spirit are as follows.

1. To put to death the fleshly or sinful deeds which make us dead spiritually.

Romans 8:13

8:13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

As a result, we can live in righteousness and holiness as well as faithfulness and fervency in spirit in doing spiritual activities or the service and ministry to God. Holy Spirit is also able to preserve our life physically in the midst of difficulties in the world.

Romans 8:11

8:11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

2. To sanctify the Gentiles from the characteristics of dog and swine.

Romans 15:16

15:16 that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

The swine returns to the wallowing in the mire. It refers to unclean deeds.

The dog licks the vomit. It refers to the rotten saying.

Hebrews 13:15

13:15 Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

As a result, we can say the righteous and good words, testify, and worship God. Our saying can be fragrant before God.

Hebrews 13:16

13:16 But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

We can do good things. We do not harm others, but repay good for evil.

The power of resurrection of Holy Spirit is able to make the things which have produced stench become fragrant. It is also able to make the destroyed things good.

3. To change us from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus.

Titus 3:5

3:5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

It begins from obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore. It is the same as stretching our hands to God.

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.

As a result, God will stretch out His hands and we live in His hands. His hands are able to give us guarantee of assurance so that we are always victorious over enemies. All problems are solved; even the impossible ones. The hand of God is able to preserve us from now on in the midst of difficulties in the world until we have the beautiful life and the eternal one.

God blesses you.