

Bible Study Service in Malang, May 19, 2022 (Thursday Evening)

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

In the arrangement of the Tabernacle, Revelation 16 refers to the two tablets of stone (God's love). Those who reject God's love will experience the seven bowls of the wrath of God. But those who believe in Jesus and receive His love will receive the covering of the perfect love of God.

Revelation 16:8-9

16:8. Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire.

16:9. And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory.

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Matthew 5:44-48

5:44. "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,

5:45. "that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

5:46. "For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

5:47. "And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so?

5:48. "Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

The sun is the image of the love of God that is perfect, great, and righteous. It is given to men as the most glorious creation of God. The sun rises on the evil, so they can return to the glory. It also rises on the good, so they can be better up to perfection.

There are three main elements in the sun of God's love as follows:

1. Light.

John 8:12

8:12. Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

It refers to the activity of God's love, so we walk in the light and become the light for others as God's witness. It starts from becoming the light in the household, before men, up to the light of the world like Jesus.

2. Heat.

It refers to the passion of God's love, so we can minister to Him faithfully and fervently. We are also active in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ up to perfection to become the heavenly bride.

3. Power.

It refers to the power of God's love that gives us the extra power, so we can become strong and of courage against anything. We are not disappointed and desperate as well as do not leave God, but we keep trusting, giving thanks, and worshipping God.

If one rejects the love of God, he will surely experience the punishment of the deadly fire.

The fact found in rejecting God's love is rejecting the light or the activity of God's love. The consequences are as follows:

1. Living in the darkness of sin. One does not testify, but embarrasses and makes the heart of God grieved.
2. Becoming the false witness or a liar.

Mark 14:55-59

14:55. Now the chief priests and all the council sought testimony against Jesus to put Him to death, but found none.

14:56. For many bore false witness against Him, but their testimonies did not agree.

14:57. Then some rose up and bore false witness against Him, saying,

14:58. "We heard Him say, 'I will destroy this temple made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.'"

14:59. But not even then did their testimony agree.

The false witness or a liar is the servant of God who hears or preaches the Word just for looking for, being proud of or touting the

physical things, but not practicing the Word. Consequently, he does not experience the renewal of life. He keeps becoming the flesh and blood man who will be punished with fire up to perdition.

The will of God is that His servants must experience the renewal of life, so we keep becoming the true witnesses up to perfection like Jesus.

What must be renewed? The spirit of selling-buying or the one of the Antichrist must.

John 2:13-16

2:13. Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

2:14. And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business.

2:15. When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables.

2:16. And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!"

We are renewed by a whip of cords.

1. **The cords of the shepherded offering animals refer to the shepherding Word or the voice of a shepherd**, namely the true teaching Word which is entrusted by God to a shepherd to be preached to the congregation faithfully, continually, and repetitively to become the spiritual food for the congregation, so they grow to the spiritual maturity. It is the same as experiencing the purification and renewal up to perfection like Jesus.

2 Timothy 4:1-2

4:1. I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:

4:2. Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

A shepherd must promise earnestly before God and kingdom of heaven to preach the true teaching Word only.

The congregation must also promise earnestly before God and kingdom of heaven to only hear and obey the true teaching word.

The true teaching Word contains the things as follows:

- Convincing, so we realize, regret, and confess our sin. As a result, we can be forgiven and lifted up from the fall into sin. It means the cords of God's love that lift us up from the valley of death.
- Rebuking, so we repent or stop sinning and return to God. We do not fall into sin anymore. It means that the cords of God's love are able to bind us, so we do not fall into sin anymore.
- Exhorting. It means that the cords of God's love are able to lead us to the way out of any impossible problems. It also leads us in the righteousness and holiness until we enter the heavenly kingdom.

2. **The whip refers to the chastisement in all things.**

If the cords of God's love are rejected, it will be gathered and spun to become a whip to chasten us. But, it is still God's love, so we can return into righteousness and holiness.

If the chastisement is rejected, one will be left by God to be punished with the scorching fire.

The facts of the spirit of the Antichrist or the one of selling-buying in the church of God are as follows:

1. **The love of money or being bound by the will of money, so one cannot love God, but becomes greedy and stingy.**

Stinginess means that one cannot give for the working of God and others who are in need.

Greediness means that one steals the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offering, and the one of others who are in need through lying and making corruption.

1 Timothy 6:3-5

6:3. If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness,

6:4. he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife,

reviling, evil suspicions,

6:5. useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself.

It also means ministering just for the physical advantage and the satisfaction that is not in the true teaching Word. Consequently, one loses the great gain, namely the two wings of a great eagle, so he is left when Jesus comes a second time. He enters the persecution of the Antichrist; even he becomes the same as the Antichrist to be destroyed.

1 Timothy 6:6

6:6. Now godliness with contentment is great gain.

2. Selling-buying or trading the offering animal.

It means as follows:

- Trading in Christ's sacrifice, namely one insults and tramples Christ's sacrifice to get the physical advantage.

2 Peter 1:9

1:9. For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

It means that one forgets that he has been forgiven, so he repeats the sin. It is the wicked servant of God.

- One is busy to look for the physical need in the world, so he does not increase his talent or mina. Consequently, he becomes the lazy servant of God. He is not faithful in his ministry.

The wicked and lazy servant of God is useless. Consequently, his ministry or robe of service will be given to others, so he is naked. His life is not beautiful. He just buys the grave, and is never satisfied. It continues until he is cast into the outer darkness.

Matthew 25:26,30

25:26. "But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

25:30. 'And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

3. Giving the seal of triple six.

Revelation 13:16-18

13:16. He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,

13:17. and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

13:18. Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.

One worships the Antichrist and becomes the same as him to be destroyed.

Deuteronomy 6:6-8

6:6. " And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

6:7. "You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up.

6:8. "You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes.

God longs for giving the seal of the Word to us through the repeated Word.

The process is hearing the Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit earnestly and with a need until we understand it, so it is written in our mind and becomes a comprehension. Further, we believe in the Word, so it is written in our heart and becomes faith. It continues until we practice the Word, so it is engraved on our hand.

So, our whole life is written with the true teaching Word and there is no place for the seal of the Antichrist. We experience the purification and the renewal of life from the fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus.

Ephesians 4:21-28

4:21. if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:

4:22. that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,

4:23. *and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,*
 4:24. *and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.*
 4:25. *Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another.*
 4:26. *"Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath,*
 4:27. *nor give place to the devil.*
 4:28. *Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.*

From liar, one becomes honest. Being angry with hatred is changed into being angry with love to help others. From thief, one becomes giver. The false witness or the den of thieves is changed into the true witness or the house of prayer.

For example, one of the disciples of Jesus was great, but he could become a false witness. Peter lied and was angry with hatred by cutting off Malchus' right ear. Judas stole.

That is why we must ask for God's love which is like the sun that never stops shining upon us. Do not ever doubt the love of God whatever condition we have!

John 13:25-27

13:25. *Then, leaning back on Jesus' breast, he said to Him, "Lord, who is it?"*
 13:26. *Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.*
 13:27. *Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."*

God radiated the sun of His love to Judas Iscariot through the repeated Word and Holy Communion. But Judas hardened his heart. He rejected God's love, so he was not changed. He kept lying and stealing, so he experienced God's punishment.

Luke 22:60-62

22:60. *But Peter said, "Man, I do not know what you are saying!" Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed.*
 22:61. *And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times."*
 22:62. *So Peter went out and wept bitterly.*

God showed His love to Peter through the crow of rooster (the repeated shepherding Word) and the merciful sight of the High Priest. Peter could accept God's love gently, so he was helped.

Every preaching of the Word is the merciful sight of Jesus as the High Priest that is worth Christ's sacrifice.

Our attitude is confessing all of our sins to God and others. We totally surrender and stretch out our hands to God, so He looks at us with His merciful sight. It means that He remembers, cares, and struggles for us. He stretches out His merciful hand to us.

The results are as follows:

1. The hand of the High Priest is able to reconcile or forgive all of our sins, so we can live in righteousness. Our heart experiences peace, so all things become easy and light

Hebrews 2:17-18

2:17. *Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.*
 2:18. *For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.*

2. The hand of the High Priest helps us in due time. He finishes all of impossible problems.

Hebrews 4: 14-16

4:14. *Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.*
 4:15. *For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.*
 4:16. *Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

3. God's hand is able to make all things become successful and beautiful in due time.
4. God's hand is able to lift us up in due time.

1 Peter 5:6

5:6. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

We are changed from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones. We can be patient in waiting the time of God by doing the introspection in our life and totally surrendering to God,

We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain up to perfection, so we are worthy to greet Jesus when He comes a second time.

God blesses us.