

Bible Study Service in Malang, November 02, 2023 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 21:1

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.

John the apostle saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. It refers to the renewal of attention.

1 Corinthians 7:29-32

7:29. But this I say, brethren, the time is short, so that from now on even those who have wives should be as though they had none,

7:30. those who weep as though they did not weep, those who rejoice as though they did not rejoice, those who buy as though they did not possess,

7:31. and those who use this world as not misusing it. For the form of this world is passing away.

7:32. But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord--how he may please the Lord.

The time is short, so we must care for the things of the Lord more than anything in the world. The things of the Lord will not pass away, but be eternal as follows:

1. God's word, namely the true teaching Word.
2. God's lovingkindness.
3. The eternal kingdom of heaven.

2 Peter 1:11

1:11. for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our main attention is entering the heavenly kingdom. **The entrance into the heavenly kingdom is as follows:**

1. **Continuing in the faith**, namely the way of faith or the one of righteousness. It refers to the Court of the Tabernacle.

Acts 14:22

14:22. strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."

The facts found in it are as follows:

- Believing in Jesus as the only Savior, and never denying Him until the finish line.
- Repenting or being dead to sin.
- The water baptism and Holy Spirit baptism.

The results are as follows:

- Being saved and blessed.
- We do not want to sin although there are temptation, advantage, chance, *et cetera*.
- Firmly holding fast the true teaching Word and rejecting the false one, so we cannot be deceived and destroyed.

1 Timothy 4:1

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,

2 Peter 2:1

2:1. But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction.

We are not offended. We do not turn from the true teaching. We do not fall from faith until the finish line.

1 John 3:7-8

3:7. Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.
3:8. He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

In the way of faith, we become righteous, just as Jesus is righteous. We enter the New Jerusalem which is full of righteousness.

2 Peter 3:13

3:13. Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

If we are offended, we fall from faith and commit sin, even we are deceived by the false teaching, and we will become the same as Satan who cannot repent anymore. We just commit sins up to the peak up to perdition forever.

2. **Making God's call and election sure.** It refers to the Holy Place, namely the way of the ministry or the one of ordination.

2 Peter 1:10-11

1:10. Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

1:11. for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Being called means being justified and saved.

Being chosen means being purified and appointed as the priests and kings, so we can minister to God according to the ministry that He gives to us.

Genesis 28:17

28:17. And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!"

The ministry or ordination is the gate of the heavenly kingdom. We still live in the world but experience the atmosphere of heaven in the ministry.

Not ministering or consecrating ourselves to God means being far away from the gate of heaven.

The facts of making God's call and election sure are as follows:

- We never leave the ministry but keep ministering to God faithfully and fervently until the finish line, namely our death or Jesus' second coming. It means ministering totally, so we have the entrance into the heavenly kingdom.
- Ministering to God in the ministry of heaven, namely in the pattern of the Tabernacle which is built in the Tabernacle teaching.

Romans 14:17-18

14:17. for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

14:18. For he who serves Christ in these things is acceptable to God and approved by men.

It is the ministry that pleases God. It is acceptable to God and approved by men. As a result, we will also be satisfied by God.

Leviticus 26:11

26:11. I will set My tabernacle among you, and My soul shall not abhor you.

On the last days, there are many ministries that are not in the pattern of the Tabernacle. It is without the true teaching Word and purification, so the congregation does not experience the purification and the renewal of life but just satisfies their flesh by eating-drinking--the prosperity and entertainment. Consequently they do not satisfy God; even His soul abhors them, so they are vomited by Him. Many people look for the worldly satisfaction or bring it to the church.

The vomit refers to uncleanness. One just commits sins up to the peak. Such life will be used in the building of Babylon or the false church, namely Satan's bride who is perfect in evil and uncleanness, and will be destroyed.

The ministry that pleases God means as follows:

- a. Being signified with joy in the Holy Spirit, and in order and regularity. It refers to the Golden Candlestick, or general service.
- b. Righteousness. It refers to the Table of Showbread or bible study service and Holy Communion to make our righteousness firm and increase our holiness.
- c. Peace. It refers to the Golden Altar of Incense or prayer service. God's love is able to give peace, so all things become easy and light.

So, the ministry in the pattern of the kingdom of heaven is the one in the shepherding system, namely the perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God.

Leviticus 21:12

21:12. 'nor shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the consecration of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD.

In the sheepfold, we experience the purification by the sword of the Word, so we live in holiness. We are anointed by Holy Spirit, so we become faithful and fervent. This is the one who is called, chosen, and devoted to become the apple of God's eye.

As a result, '*I shall not want.*' God is able to take care of our life who is small and powerless abundantly in the midst of the difficulties and impossibilities of the world. We become the blessing for others. We are never dry spiritually, but we always give thanks and testify.

1 Timothy 6:6

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

Revelation 12:14

12:14. But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

We receive the two wings of a great eagle to evacuate us to the wilderness, far from the eyes of the Antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years. We are taken care of by God directly with the Word and Holy Communion. We experience the process of perfection until we say: '*I shall not want.*' We are spotless, holy just as Jesus is holy, and perfect.

1 Peter 1:15-16

1:15. but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,

1:16. because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

3. **Experiencing many sufferings.** It refers to the Most Holy Place, namely the way of the Cross or the sprinkle of blood.

Acts 14:22-23

14:22. strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."

14:23. So when they had appointed elders in every church, and prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

2 Thessalonians 1:3-5

1:3. We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other,

1:4. so that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure,

1:5. which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer;

It is the same as the narrow gate.

Matthew 7:13-14

7:13. "Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.

7:14. "Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

Just few people choose the way of the cross which leads to eternal life. Many people choose the wide gate that leads to the destruction.

Why does God allow us to experience the sprinkle of blood?

- Purifying us physically and spiritually.

Malachi 3:1-3

3:1. "Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple, Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts.

3:2. "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire And like launderer's soap.

3:3. He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, And purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness.

It continues up to the last purification, namely from self-truth that we often do not realize. It is signified by too much talking and stumbling in words.

Job 1:1-3

1:1. There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God and shunned evil.

1:2. And seven sons and three daughters were born to him.

1:3. Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.

Job 32:1-2

32:1. So these three men ceased answering Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

32:2. Then the wrath of Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram, was aroused against Job; his wrath was aroused because he justified himself rather than God.

Job was great physically and spiritually but he had self-truth, so God allowed him to experience the total test.

Job 42:4-6

42:4. Listen, please, and let me speak; You said, 'I will question you, and you shall answer Me.'

42:5. "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.

42:6. Therefore I abhor myself, And repent in dust and ashes."

It continued until Job could humble his life as low as he could. He confessed that he was just the mortar that was unworthy, incapable, and worthless.

- The Spirit of glory will change us to become the pure gold and silver.

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.

The gold refers to the obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore.

The silver refers to the honesty.

Proverbs 10:20

10:20. The tongue of the righteous is choice silver; The heart of the wicked is worth little.

Honesty and obedience are the same as becoming the house of prayer.

The results are as follows:

- a. The name of Jesus is entrusted to us.

Acts 3:5-8

3:5. So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them.

3:6. Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

3:7. And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

3:8. So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them--walking, leaping, and praising God.

We can cry out the powerful name of Jesus. The paralytic can walk.

The paralysis on the bed refers to the uncleanness, the destruction in marriage and children, and unfaithfulness. One falls into sins up to the peak. His life is not beautiful but full of weariness, heavy burden, labor, failure, and in impossibility.

The power of Jesus' name is able to heal and restore, so all things become beautiful and successful. The impossible thing becomes possible.

- b. We belong to Jesus forever.

Haggai 2:8

2:8. 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the LORD of hosts.

We are changed up to perfection.

God blesses us.