

Bible Study Service in Malang, November 07, 2017 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 6:9-11

6:9 *When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held.*

6:10 *And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"*

6:11 *Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed.*

The opening of the fifth seal is the same as the fifth judgment of Holy Spirit, namely the revenge of God to the people in the world who have killed His innocent servants. They were innocent, but killed because of the Word and the testimony of Jesus.

Their blood cried out to God so that He avenged them, but they had to wait until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed, namely when the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years.

John 15:18-25

15:18 *"If the world (1)hates you, you know that it (2)hated Me before it hated you.*

15:19 *"If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world (3)hates you.*

15:20 *"Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also.*

15:21 *"But all these things they will do to you for My name's sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me.*

15:22 *"If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.*

15:23 *"He who (4)hates Me (5)hates My Father also.*

15:24 *"If I had not done among them the works which no one else did, they would have no sin; but now they have seen and also (6)hated both Me and My Father.*

15:25 *"But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, 'They (7)hated Me without a cause.'*

John 16:1-2

16:1 *"These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble.*

16:2 *"They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.*

The innocent people die because of Jesus. It happens because of facing the seven times of hatred up to the one without a cause from the world which is ruled over by the Antichrist for three and a half years. The Antichrist refers to the servants of God who do not have the Word and the testimony of Jesus. They do not seriously serve and minister to God.

John 15:26-27

15:26 *"But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.*

15:27 *"And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.*

All of us must face the hatred without a cause up to the murder which is done by the world which is ruled over by the Antichrist. The solution is as follows.

1. We must persevere in the Word or hold fast to the true teaching Word, so we can live in righteousness and holiness.
2. We must have the testimony of Jesus [John 15:26-27] or testify. It means that we become the light in the dark world.

Matthew 5:14-16

5:14 *"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.*

5:15 *"Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.*

5:16 *"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.*

There are three levels of the light as follows.

1. In the house.

It means that husband, wife, and children must be the testimony or they must shine.

The husband must love the wife as his own body and not do bitterly toward her.

The wife must submit to the husband in everything.
The children must obey the parents.

As a result, the household does not experience the darkness of basket and bed. The two kinds of darkness have destroyed many marriages and children on the last days.

The darkness of basket refers to the difficulty in economy as well as the sins concerning eating-drinking, namely smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse.

The darkness of bed refers to the sins concerning marrying-being given in marriage, namely fornication or sexuality sin with all of its kinds, mix marriage, and divorce-remarrying.

If the marriage is in the light or it has victory over the darkness, it will reach the marriage supper of the Lamb.

2. **Before all people or in the daily friendship.**

3. **The light of the world like Jesus.**

Revelation 12:1

12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

It means that we become the heavenly bride who radiates the light or becomes blessing and testimony anywhere, anytime, and in any circumstances; in time of happiness or sorrow and in facing the hatred without a cause. We become like the sun that always shines for good people and the bad ones.

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.

The two wings of a great eagle were given to the woman or heavenly bride to fly to the wilderness, far away from the presence of the Antichrist for three and a half years. We will be preserved directly by the Word and Holy Communion. We get the training to flee to the wilderness through the perseverance in doing Bible Study Service.

1 John 5:10-12

5:10 He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son.

5:11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

5:12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

Everyone who believes in Jesus must have the testimony of Jesus in him. The more we are used as the witness, the bigger wings we have and we are lifted up more until we have the eternal life in heaven forever.

On the contrary, gossiping will cause the life to decrease and be drowned more.

John 16:1-2

16:1 "These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble.

16:2 "They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service.

Every righteous witness of the Lord must be strong and of good courage, so there is no fear in facing all threats; even the murder. He does not fall in facing temptations and false teachings. He is not disappointed or hopeless. He does not leave God in facing anything; even when he must die because of Jesus.

On the contrary, one who gossips will easily get disappointed and hopeless.

Be careful of the false witness like Peter.

Peter was a great servant of God, but then he became a false witness, namely not enduring temptation and threat until denying Jesus three times as follows.

1. **Peter denied Jesus as a Nazarene.**

Mark 14:67-68

14:67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked at him and said, "You also were with Jesus of Nazareth."

14:68 But he denied it, saying, "I neither know nor understand what you are saying." And he went out on the porch, and a rooster crowed.

It means denying the prophetic Word or the true teaching Word.

Matthew 2:23

2:23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, "He shall be called a Nazarene."

In such condition, there is no Table of Showbread. The facts found in it are as follows.

- Supposing that all teachings are same, one mixes the teachings and religions.
- Blaming the true teaching Word and justifying or supporting the false ones.

2. Peter denied the true fellowship and ministry.

Mark 14:69-70

14:69 And the servant girl saw him again, and began to say to those who stood by, "This is one of them."

14:70 But he denied it again. And a little later those who stood by said to Peter again, "Surely you are one of them; for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it."

It means that there is no Golden Candlestick.

Consequently, Peter was near the fire of the world, namely the false fellowship or the one which is not based on the true teaching Word. Such fellowship is the same as a conspiracy to get physical things only.

3. Peter denied the true worship.

Mark 14:70b-71

14:70 ... "Surely you are one of them; for you are a Galilean, and your speech shows it."

14:71 Then he began to curse and swear, "I do not know this Man of whom you speak!"

It is the same as not having the Golden Altar of Incense.

Thus, the body, soul, and spirit of Peter denied the Trinity of God.

Praise the Lord, Peter was helped by the crowing, namely the Shepherding Word which is preached repetitively to be the food and bring us to enter the sheepfold through the perseverance in doing the three main services to God.

In the sheepfold, we experience the sanctification in our heart, mind, deeds, saying or our body, soul, and spirit. As a result, Peter could stretch out his hands to the Lord. It is the same as fully surrendering to God to be His witness although he had to die for Him.

John 21:15-17,18-19

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."

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."

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."

John 15:27

15:27 "And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning."

We, the servants of God, must have the testimony of Jesus from the beginning as follows.

1. Jesus was born as a sinless man to save the sinners.

Matthew 1:20-21

1:20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit."

1:21 "And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins."

The proof of having the testimony of Jesus is that we can confess and forgive one another. We must confess when we are guilty. We must forgive and forget the sins of others when we are not guilty. As a result, the blood of Jesus finishes all sins, so we live in righteousness.

Ephesians 5:8-9

5:8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

5:9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth),

Living in the righteousness is the same as being the light as follows.

- The light of truth.
- The light of righteousness. It means that we are not on the side of anyone, but God.
As a result, we can be just according to the Word.
- The light of goodness until we can repay good for evil.

1 Timothy 1:15

1:15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

For example, Saul became Paul. Formerly, he was the most sinful man, but then he could be the example for those who would be saved.

2. Jesus was obedient to the point of death of the cross.

Philippians 2:8

2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

The proof of having the testimony of Jesus is being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore. We only cry out "Abba, Father".

1 John 3:4

3:4 Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

Not being obedient is the same as transgressing the commandment of God and adding problems. It is the same as sinning and experiencing the death forever.

Being obedient means solving problems and being set free from the death.

3. Jesus has risen.

Matthew 28:5-6

28:5 But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.

28:6 "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

After being obedient, we will experience the power of Jesus' resurrection as follows.

- Living in holiness or dwelling in the Holy Place or the sheepfold.

1 Peter 1:22

1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

- Living in love, we can love one another; even we love our enemy.
An obedient person will joyfully return to the house and shepherding.
On the last days, many people become rebellious because the love grows cold. There are two places only where there is the warmth of love, namely in the household and shepherding or the land of Goshen.

Ephesians 4:11-12

4:11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

If we are holy and love one another, we will be equipped with the ministry and the gifts of Holy Spirit. We are used in the ministry for edifying the perfect body of Christ.

4. Jesus ascended to heaven.

Acts 1:11a

1:11 who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven,

It happens because Jesus is not affected by the gravity of the earth anymore.

The proof of having the testimony of Jesus is not being bound by the world with all of its influences such as the activities, amenities, sorrows, and so on.

James 4:4

4:4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

As a result, we can be faithful and fervent in spirit in serving and ministering to God until the end.

5. Jesus will come a second time on the glorious clouds.

Acts 1:11b

1:11 ..., will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

Philippians 3:20-21

3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

3:21 who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

Jesus will come a second time on the glorious clouds to change us to be as perfect and glorious as He is.

The proof of having the testimony of Jesus is the renewal of our life as follows.

- The beginning is in our honesty. We say "yes" if "yes" and "no" if "no". We are honest in the matter of Jesus and the true teaching Word. The true teaching Word will point at our sins, so we can honestly confess our sins and weaknesses. Then, we can be honest in all things.
- We experience the renewal of life to believe in God.

Being honest and believing is the same as being a baby who only cries to God. We only hope in Him, not in others.

Isaiah 49:14-16

49:14 But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, And my Lord has forgotten me."

49:15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you.

49:16 See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.

As a result, God always remembers us. We are in the embrace of His merciful hands as follows.

- The merciful hands of God are able to preserve our powerless life in the midst of difficulties in the world up to the time when the Antichrist reigns over it.
- The merciful hands of God carry us. He bears all of our weariness, heavy burdens, and tears, so we can feel peaceful, easy, and light. The merciful hands of God are able to do what we cannot think and solve all impossible problems.
- The merciful hands of God bring us to the beautiful successful future life until we can be as perfect as He is. We are lifted up to the glorious clouds to enter the wall of the New Jerusalem.

Revelation 21:12

21:12 Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

God blesses you.