

Bible Study Service in Malang, November 10, 2020 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 12:2

12:2. *Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.*

There are two conditions of the church of God on the last days as follows:

1. Verse two, namely the condition of powerlessness.
2. Facing a dragon. It means facing the darkness, shock, and crisis in all aspects of life.

Revelation 12:3

12:3. *And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.*

What must be done by the church of God? 'cried out'. It means groaning and crying to God.

Lamentations 2:18-19

2:18. *Their heart cried out to the Lord, "O wall of the daughter of Zion, Let tears run down like a river day and night; Give yourself no relief; Give your eyes no rest.*

2:19. *"Arise, cry out in the night, At the beginning of the watches; Pour out your heart like water before the face of the Lord. Lift your hands toward Him For the life of your young children, Who faint from hunger at the head of every street."*

'in the night' refers to the last days or crisis.

On the last days, the church of God must groan and cry to God, so we do not experience the physical and spiritual famine.

'hunger' means that one does not experience satisfaction as well as not being strong, so he lies, robs, murders, and committing sins up to the peak, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage.

Consequently, he experiences weeping and gnashing of teeth in the hell forever.

We must groan and cry to receive the revelation of the Word or spiritual food through a verse that explains another verse. It is the same as the true teaching word. If the spiritual famine is overcome, the physical one can also be overcome.

Revelation 5:4-5,9

5:4. *So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it.*

5:5. *But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."*

5:9. *And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,*

'I wept much' is the same as groaning and crying to God.

We must make effort earnestly to receive the revelation of the word, so God will also make effort earnestly.

God's struggle is that Jesus as the Lamb of God must die on the cross to open the revelation of the Word which is like the roar of the Lion of Judah to tear the sins.

Matthew 25:6

25:6. *"And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'"*

The Bride Tidings or the true teaching word is the only news that is needed on the last days or at midnight, because there is shekinah glory in it.

The midnight is signified with the things as follows:

1. The physical crisis in all aspects of life that culminates to the age of the Antichrist in the world.
2. The spiritual crisis, namely the sins up to the peak and false teaching that aim at the Babylon.
3. The preparation of the church of God to reach the perfection and greet Jesus when He comes a second time in the glory of the King of kings and the Heavenly Bridegroom.

Deuteronomy 32:2

32:2. *Let my teaching drop as the rain, My speech distill as the dew, As raindrops on the tender herb, And as showers on the grass.*

The true teaching word is like the rain to encounter the dryness of our personal life, marriage, and the wilderness of the world.

The levels of the teaching word are as follows:

1. As the dew that not many people know.
2. As raindrops. It means that people start knowing the teaching word.
3. As the rain. It means that it is the only news that must be accepted by all churches in the world.

That is why God sends the rains on the just and on the unjust to fight against the crisis. It depends on us whether we want to accept it or not.

Matthew 5:45

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."

God sends the rain of the teaching word on the just and on the unjust, on the good men and on the bad men. Those are people at the highways.

Matthew 22:10

22:10. "So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests."

People at the highways refer to the Gentiles. It is God's mercy for us, so our physical and spiritual life can grow. The rain of the teaching word washes us. It means purifying us up to perfection.

That is why we must be in God's mercy. We keep holding fast the Bride Tidings and practicing it, so it becomes the real form in our life up to perfection.

Being at the highways also means doubt. Do not doubt to the Bride Tidings!

Why do we doubt? Because the word is twisted, namely the verse is deciphered by human's logic and will.

Being at the highways also means that the word is mixed with other teaching or belief.

If one is at the highways, he will surely choose the false thing because it is comfortable for flesh until he rejects the true one.

Being doubtful to the true teaching word is the same as being half or not fully holding it, so his life is half dead. He suffers and becomes laborious.

Do not reject or go out of the Bride Tidings in the revival of the last rain whatever reason we have, because there will be no more chance to return.

Matthew 22:11,13

22:11. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment."

22:13. "Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The consequence of being doubtful is the same as entering the wedding feast without wearing wedding garment. It means being without purification.

Consequently, he is cast out. He experiences shock, crisis, and weep forever.

When we face a problem, we should not take heed to it, but the Bride Tidings. That is our need. Take heed to the Bride Tidings in facing anything!

The examples of good man and bad man on the highways are the older son (good man) and the younger (bad man).

1. The older son.

Luke 15:25-32

15:25. "Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing."

15:26. "So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant."

15:27. "And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.'"

15:28. "But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him."

15:29. "So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends.'"

15:30. *'But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.'*

15:31. *"And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours.*

15:32. *'It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'"*

The older son was in his father's field. It means that all things were good until he could live in his father's house.

But we must be careful if everything is good. Do not doubt to the true teaching word! If we are doubtful, we will be haughty spiritually.

It means as follows:

- Starting blaming at until rejecting the Bride Tidings.
- Forgetting that all things become good because of the Bride Tidings. He denies what he has experienced. Further, he will forget God and others.

Consequently, one does not enter into the house. It is the same as entering the wedding without a wedding garment, so he is cast out to be destroyed forever.

The older son worked in the field. He ministers to God but without a wedding garment but just the ordinary one.

It means being without the purification and renewal of life or ministering to God just for habit or the other purposes.

The signs are as follows:

- Being angry without a cause because of envy until resulting in hatred like Joseph's brothers to Joseph.

Luke 15:28

15:28. *"But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him.*

It is the same as keeping the root of bitterness, so one also has the root of wickedness and uncleanness.

Consequently, he does not experience peace.

- The self-truth. It means covering sin by blaming at God or the true teaching word.

Luke 15:29-30

15:29. *"So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends.*

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- Disobedience.

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The older son was disobedient when he was ordered to enter into the house or something which was comfortable for flesh, how much more if he had been ordered to do the difficult thing.

If one is disobedient, he will surely be dishonest.

Matthew 7:21-23

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.*

7:22. *"Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'*

7:23. *"And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'*

No matter how great we minister to God, without obedience and honesty all things will be in vain up to perdition.

Let us be honest and obedient.

First, we are honest about the teaching.

The success and happiness in ministry, working, marriage, *et cetera* are determined by obedience to the true teaching word and honesty.

2. The younger son.

Luke 15:15-24

15:15. "Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

15:16. "And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.

15:17. "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

15:18. 'I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you,

15:19. "and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants."

15:20. "And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.

15:21. "And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.'

15:22. "But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.

15:23. 'And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry;

15:24. 'for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.

The younger son had been in father's field but then he was in the swine field because of being unfaithful up to leaving the ministry to God.

The swine field refers to bad condition, namely beginning to be in want (entering into crisis on the last days) and falling into sins up to the peak.

Consequently, he was outside the father's house and destroyed forever.

At that moment the younger son was at the highway, but fortunately he remembered the bread at the father's house ('*How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare*'). The bread refers to the repeated true teaching word in the sheepfold.

The younger son was not arrogant but humble. It means that he willingly received the repeated true teaching word that shows the hidden sin.

The teaching word often humiliates, insults, cuts our feeling. But the younger son could accept it.

The facts found in receiving the repeated true teaching word are as follows:

- Repenting, namely realizing, regretting, and confessing sin to God and others.
Do not sin anymore after being forgiven! We return to Father's field or the true ordination which is in line with the true teaching word. It means that we minister to God according to the ministry that He gives to us and have no purpose to get physical advantage.

Having no purpose to get physical advantage means that we do not demand anything but feel useless.

- The purification and renewal until we receive three things as follows:
 - The sandals. It refers to the redemption by the blood of Jesus.
In the past time if one did not want to redeem something, his sandals would be loosed, but the sandal strap of Jesus cannot be loosed.
1 Corinthians 5:7-8,11
5:7. *Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.*
5:8. *Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*
5:11. *But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral⁽¹⁾, or covetous⁽²⁾, or an idolater⁽³⁾, or a reviler⁽⁴⁾, or a drunkard⁽⁵⁾, or an extortioner⁽⁶⁾--not even to eat with such a person.*

We are redeemed especially from six sins which are ingrained in our life.

An idolater means prioritizing all things more than God.

The quality of sincerity and truth is the same as the moon under our feet.

- A ring. It refers to the ministry with the gifts of Holy Spirit or the miraculous ability to minister to God.
It is the same as ministering to God in submission that will become a garland of twelve stars (the quality of first-born).
- The robe. It refers to the love of God.
Jesus is willingly stripped on the cross to give His robe to us.
It will become the clothes of the sun (the quality of being without fault).

Being without fault starts from not lying.

Revelation 14:1,4-5

14:1. Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.

14:4. These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruit to God and to the Lamb.

14:5. And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

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.

This is the wedding garment or the garment of the light. There is no darkness.

The fact of wearing the garment of the light is being honest and obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore ('Abba, Father'). It is the clean, bright fine linen.

The results are as follows:

- 'he was lost and is found'. It is the same as the matter of not one hair of us shall fall.

Luke 15:24

15:24. 'for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry.

If we heed the word, God will heed us as much detail as possible.

The matter of nothing is lost means as follows:

- a. All are saved.
 - b. God will return the thing we have sacrificed in His time.
 - c. God protects and takes care of us in the midst of the difficulties in the world until the age of Antichrist.
 - d. Being complete up to perfection like Jesus.
- The dead becomes alive. It means that we experience the heavenly bliss even though we are in suffering. Nothing is impossible for God.
All problems can be finished by God miraculously.
It continues until Jesus comes a second time when the last trumpet sounds. Those who died in Jesus will be risen and those who live until Jesus comes a second time will be changed.
Both of them greet Jesus when He comes a second time up to entering into the kingdom of heaven forever.

God blesses us.