Bible Study Service in Malang, November 17, 2016 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 4:8a

4:8 The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within.

Each of the four living creatures has six wings that refer to the six working days of God. God stops working on the seventh day and sanctifies it as the rest or Sabbath day.

2 Peter 3:8

3:8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

1 day = 1.000 years, 6 days = 6.000 years. It refers to three ages when God works and men are lifted up to heaven.

- 1. The age of Father God or the beginning. It is counted from Adam to Abraham. The representative is Enoch.
- 2. The age of the Son of God or the middle. It is counted from Abraham to the first coming of Jesus. The representatives are Moses and Elijah.
- 3. The age of Holy Spirit God or the last. It is counted from the first coming of Jesus to the second one. The representative is the Lord Jesus and the Church will also be taken up to heaven when Jesus comes a second time.

We will be lifted up to the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb. Therefore, we must keep the righteousness, holiness, and unity of our physical marriage so that we can reach the spiritual marriage.

Afterward, we enter the One Thousand Years Kingdom of Peace or the Future Paradise and the New Jerusalem or the everlasting heavenly kingdom.

We have learnt about Enoch, Moses, and Elijah. <u>Now we are learning about the Lord Jesus Christ</u>. <u>Jesus also has the figure 3x40 as follows</u>.

- 1. Jesus was submitted to God in the temple when He was forty days old.
- 2. Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights.
- 3. He showed Himself in the body of glory during forty days after His resurrection.

<u>The figure forty refers to the tearing or crucifixion to the flesh</u>. Thus, the body, soul, and spirit or the whole life of Jesus is signified with the tearing or crucifixion to the flesh, so He can be taken up to heaven.

We must also experience the tearing to the flesh so that we can be taken up to the throne of the heavenly kingdom when Jesus comes a second time.

Ad. 1. The baby Jesus was submitted to God in the temple when He was forty days old.

Luke 2:21-24

2:21 And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called JESUS, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

2:22 Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord

2:23 (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD"),

2:24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Leviticus 12:3-4, 8

12:3 'And on the eighth daythe flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.

12:4 'She shall then continue in the blood of her purification thirty-three days. She shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary until the days of her purification are fulfilled.

12:8 'And if she is not able to bring a lamb, then she may bring two turtledoves or two young pigeons -- one as a burnt offering and the other as a sin offering. So the priest shall make atonement for her, and she will be clean.' "

Jesus was submitted on the fortieth day by bringing the sin offering. It means that <u>we must have the tearing to the flesh so that</u> we can be set free from sins.

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 <u>sexually immoral</u>, or <u>covetous</u>, or <u>an idolater</u>, or a <u>reviler</u>, or a <u>drunkard</u>, or <u>an extortioner</u>--not even to eat with such a person.

We must be set free from six sins that are ingrained in or bind our body, soul, and spirit to make us unable to enter the one body of Christ as follows.

sexually immoral, drunkard= binding the body.

covetous, reviler, extortioner= binding the soul.

idolater= binding the spirit.

If we are sanctified, we will be able to live in sincerity and truth. We live in truth or righteousness means that we do not want to sin regardless of any risk we must take. We live in sincerity or purity means that our life is in line with the true teaching Word or we hold fast the true teaching Word according to the bible.

The border of our friendship in the midst uncleanness, evil, and difficulties in the world is sincerity and truth. The results are as follows.

- 1. We experience the feast of Passover or the joy of heaven which cannot be influenced by anything.
- 2. We are surrounded as with a shield with the blessings and grace of God. We live in the atmosphere of paradise.

Psalm 5:12

5:12 For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as with a shield.

Ad. 2. Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights.

Matthew 4:1-2

4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

4:2 And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry.

Mark 1:12-13

1:12 Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness.

1:13 And He was there in the wilderness <u>forty days</u>, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.

<u>Fasting means the process to tear the flesh with all of its lusts and wills, so we can be obedient to the Word of God written in the Bible.</u>

The plan of God is to make the stones or the Gentiles become the sons of Abraham. The devil tempted Jesus to change the stones into physical bread when Jesus was hungry after fasting. It seems logical, but is not in line with the will of God.

Philippians 2:8-9

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.

2:9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

Jesus willingly tears the flesh to be obedient to the will of God, so He gets the name which is above all names to defeat the trinity of Satan as follows.

- 1. The fiery red dragon in the air refers to Satan with the evil and unclean spirits. If we are obedient, we will get the power of the name of Jesus to defeat the trinity of Satan and live in righteousness and holiness.
- 2. The beast in the sea refers to the antichrist with the power of mammon that causes one to be stingy, namely he cannot give, and greedy or he robs the possession of others and God. If we are obedient, we get the power of the name of Jesus, so we can return the offerings and tithes that belong to God. We can also give to the work of God and others who are in need.
- 3. The beast on earth or the false prophets with the false teachings that cause the false service and ministry. If we are obedient, we get the power of the name of Jesus, so we can defeat the false prophets and hold fast as well as obey the true teachings.

Mark 1:13

1:13 And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.

If we are obedient, Satan cannot touch us and we get the ministry of the angel. It means that we are shepherded. We always dwell in the shepherding pen or persevere in doing the three main services to God as follows.

- 1. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service to have the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts.
- 2. Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing <u>Bible Study Service with Holy Communion</u> to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and the sacrifice of Christ.
- 3. Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Worship Prayer Serviceto get the fellowship with Father God in the love.

Being shepherded is the same as entering through a narrow door or the suffering to our flesh. Nevertheless, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the Trinity of God like a branch that abides to the true Vine. The results are as follows.

1. We experience the abundant preservation by the angels' food or the shepherding Word.

Psalm 78:23-25

- 78:23 Yet He had commanded the clouds above, And opened the doors of heaven,
- 78:24 Had rained down manna on them to eat, And given them of the bread of heaven.
- 78:25 Men ate angels' food; He sent them food to the full.

Physically, we are preserved until we can give thanks. Spiritually, we experience the satisfaction of heaven, so we will not look for the other satisfactions in the world or fall in sins.

Philippians 2:11

2:11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Moreover, we can give thanks and worship God.

2. The sanctification to the Gentiles from the lukewarmness.

Revelation 3:14-16

- 3:14 "And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God:
- 3:15 "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot.
- 3:16 "So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth."

Being lukewarm refers to not being cold or hot. It means there is <u>no faithfulness and fervency in spirit</u> in the service and ministry to God as well as <u>no peace</u>, but bitterness and worry.

Being lukewarm also refers to not being victorious or defeated as well as not being dead or alive. It means the hardness of heart or keeping the sins up to the peak, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.

Ad. 3. Jesus showed Himself in the body of glory during forty days after His resurrection and then He ascended to heaven.

Acts 1:3. 9

1:3 to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

1:9 Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

He showed Himself repetitively to the disciples for forty days. It means that <u>we must experience the tearing to the flesh so that</u> <u>we can see the form of Jesus in the glory as the King of all kings, the High Priest, and the Heavenly Bridegroom</u> through the repetitive preaching of the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ or Bride Tidings.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

- 4:3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,
- 4:4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

John 21:1-4

- 21:1 After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias, and in this way He showed Himself: 21:2 Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together.
- 21:3 Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We are going with you also." They went out and immediately got into the boat, and that night they caught nothing.
- 21:4 But when the morning had now come, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

Peter was egoistic. He prioritized the fleshly things. Consequently, he did not know that it was Jesus. He rejected the Bride Tidings.

He was no longer a fisher of men, but returned to his old life as a fisherman. It means unfaithfulness or leaving the service and ministry to God. Finally, he caught nothing or got a total failure. He could do nothing and all things were useless.

John 21:7

21:7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment (for he had removed it), and plunged into the sea.

Moreover, he was naked and ashamed.

Luke 5:4-5, 10-11

5:4 When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

5:5 But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net."

5:10 and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men."

5:11 So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

Formerly, Peter had failed as a fisherman, but without nakedness. Then, Jesus helped and appointed him as a fisher of men. Nevertheless, his condition got worse after he returned to be a fisherman, namely he failed and got naked.

John 21:6

21:6 And He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast, and now they were not able to draw it in because of the multitude of fish.

Jesus willingly helps us through the repetitive preaching of the Word or the Bride Tidings. Moreover, the preaching is increased to increase our spirituality. We must be obedient until our flesh does not speak anymore or the Veil is torn.

John 21:11

21:11Simon Peter went up and dragged the net to land, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not broken.

As a result, one hundred and fifty three fish are caught. 1+5+3=9. It refers to the great grace of God.

Being obedient is the same as stretching out our two hands to God. God will also stretch out His mighty hands to us. We live in the hand of God's great grace. The results are as follows.

1. The hand of God's great grace is able to help us in time of need. It creates the things which do not exist yet to preserve our life. The impossible things become possible.

Hebrews 4:16

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.

2. The mighty hand of God is able to lift us up in time of need.

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 used in the revival for the edifying of the body of Christ. All things are beautiful and successful in time of need. We are sanctified until we are perfect and worthy to welcome Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds and we are lifted up to the throne of the heavenly kingdom.

God blesses you.