

Bible Study Service in Malang, November 28, 2013 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 1:1-3 is about the title or introduction.

Revelation 1:3

1:3 Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

The content of the Revelation is joy. There are seven kinds of joy in the Revelation as follows.

1. Revelation 1:3 Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it.
2. Revelation 14:13 Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.
3. Revelation 16:15 Blessed is he who watches, and keeps his garments.
4. Revelation 19:9 Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
5. Revelation 20:6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection.
6. Revelation 22:7 Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.
7. Revelation 22:14 Blessed are those who wash their robe.

The figure seven refers to perfection. The seven kinds of joy are the perfect heavenly eternal one.

The gate or the beginning to get the seven perfect joys is to read, hear, and obey the prophetic Word or the true teaching Word.

Bible Study Service gives the biggest opportunity for us to read and hear the Word until we can obey it by the power of Holy Communion. As a result, the teaching Word can be ingrained in our life and we can be joyful.

Matthew 7:24-25

7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

7:25 "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

One who reads, hears, and obeys the true teaching Word is wise. The daily practices of being wise man are as follows.

1. **To build house on the rock or the sacrifice of Christ, so he can endure the three kinds of test as follows.**

- **Heavy rain.**

Ephesians 2:1-2

2:1 And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins,

2:2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

It refers to Satan with disobedience spirit or wickedness and uncleanness spirit or the source of sin up to the peak, namely sins concerning eating-drinking such as smoking, getting drunk, drugs abuse; and marrying-being given in marriage or sexuality sin with all its kinds that bring destruction or fall and perdition.

The spirit of disobedience means the disobedience to God, pastor, and parents.

It brings unfaithfulness, even one leaves the service and ministry to God [Hebrews 10:25-27].

It is also about wrong marriage that is not in line to the Word of God in the beginning or during the marriage. It will also cause destruction and perdition.

Being wise means enduring or not sinning even not doing the peak of sin. It means to live in righteousness and obedience. As a result, we are inside the hand of the Redeemer.

- **Strong winds.**

Ephesians 4:14

4:14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting,

It refers to false teacher, prophet, and teaching as well as lie that deceive and bring perdition.

Being wise means to endure or hold fast to the true teaching Word that has become life experience as well as reject the false teaching expressly and not to give any opportunity to hear it although it is only once.

○ **Floods.**

Revelation 13:1

13:1 And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.

It refers to the antichrist with the power of mammon or the love or bond of money causing stinginess and greediness until one perishes forever.

Stinginess means that one cannot give to God, referring to vertical line, and to other people, referring to horizontal line. Thus, such person does not remember the cross of Jesus.

Greediness means that one seizes the possession of God, namely tithes and offerings as well as the belonging of other people by stealing and not paying the debt.

Being extravagant means that one fulfills the flesh desire more than his or her salary. Consequently, he or she is in debt that cannot be paid and gripped by the antichrist.

Being wise means that we can endure or give the tithes and offerings back to God and use the physical blessings according to our need. Moreover, we can give to other people who are in need even our whole life to God.

If we can endure, we will be inside the hand of Jesus, the Redeemer.

James 1:12

1:12 Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him.

As a result, we are joyful and able to get the crown and garment of Bride.

2. **To build the house with seven pillars in the shepherding.**

Proverbs 9:1

9:1 Wisdom has built her house, She has hewn out her seven pillars;

How great we are, we are only as a sheep among wolves. The main need of the sheep is shepherd. Therefore, we must be sheep that is shepherded well and righteously. The requirements are as follows.

- Being shepherded to the true teaching Word or Jesus Himself as a branch that attains to the True Vine.
- Being inside shepherding pen always.
Being outside the shepherding pen, the sheep will be scattered and none will take the responsibility of it.
According to Tabernacle teaching, the shepherding pen refers to Holy Place with three kinds of equipment inside it that refer to perseverance in doing three main services to God as follows.
 - a. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service.
 - b. Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion.
 - c. Golden Altar of Incense or patience in committing Prayer Service.
- Being able to eat the Shepherding Word or hear and obey the voice of the shepherd.

John 10:27-28

10:27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

10:28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

Being wise means being shepherded. As a result, we are inside the hand of Jesus, the Great Shepherd as follows.

- Satan cannot snatch us out of the hand of God. We cannot be deceived. We will not fall in sin up to the peak of sin, so we do not perish. There is guarantee of assurance inside the hand of the Great Shepherd.
- We experience the intensive sanctification done by the sword of the Word, beginning from the heart which is the source of sin.
Our heart is formed in the shepherding until we have the heart of Bride.

Matthew 15:19

15:19 "For out of the heart proceed (1)evil thoughts, (2)murders, (3)adulteries, (4)fornications, (5)thefts, (6>false witness, (7)blasphemies.

Blaspheme begins from lie, slander, blaspheme as the mouth of the antichrist, and arrogance.

Revelation 13:5-6

13:5 And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty²two months.

13:6 Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven.

The blaspheme increases up to the one to the true teaching Word and the true servant of God.

The sanctification to the heart in the shepherding system is from seven evil and uncleanness lusts. In such condition, we are building the house with seven pillars.

The sanctification to the heart will appear in the mouth.

James 3:2

3:2 For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.

It continues until we are perfect. We do not stumble in Word but worship Jesus by only saying Alleluia. In such condition, we have the voice of Bride.

Revelation 19:6-7

19:6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!

19:7 "Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready."

3. To become shining stars forever. It means we are used by God.

Daniel 12:3

12:3 Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.

Philippians 2:12-13

2:12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;

2:13 for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

The requirements of being shining stars forever are as follows.

- Being faithful and responsible to God in the service and ministry with fervency in spirit and willingness to sacrifice all things but the true teaching Word.
- Not complaining and disputing but giving thanks and bearing witness to become blessings for other people.

Philippians 2:14-15

2:14 Do all things without complaining and disputing,

2:15 that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

- Holding fast to the true teaching Word and obeying it.

Philippians 2:16

2:16 holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.

We indeed need to sacrifice much more in order to become shining stars. As a result, we are inside the right hand of Jesus, Heavenly Bridegroom.

Revelation 1:20

1:20 "The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.

The results are as follows.

- The right hand of God gives pleasure.

Psalm 16:11

16:11 You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

It means that the right hand of God preserves, blesses, and gives us joy.

- The right hand of God gives us victory over our enemies.

Psalm 118:15

118:15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

It means that He solves all problems even the impossible one. He gives us victory over the last enemy, namely the death, and we can have eternal life forever.

- The right hand of God exalts us.

Psalm 118:16

118:16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted; The right hand of the LORD does valiantly.â??

He gives us success and beauty in His time. We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain. We are sanctified and renewed by God from flesh men to spiritual ones as Jesus is. It begins from being strong and of good courage, not doubting but holding fast to the true teaching Word, consecration or service and ministry to God as well as worship to Him.

We will be renewed to be as glorious as Jesus is when He comes a second time. We become the Bride of God that is ready to welcome His second coming on glorious clouds and enter the marriage supper of the Lamb to rejoice with Him forever in heavenly kingdom.

God blesses you.