

Bible Study Service in Malang, October 15, 2015 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 3:12-13

3:12 "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name.

3:13 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

The church in Philadelphia experiences great things, namely facing the shut doors, the synagogue of Satan, and the increasing temptations up to the antichrist. Therefore, **God gives the promises to them who overcome as follows.**

1. To be the pillars in New Jerusalem.
2. The name of the Father, the Son of God, and New Jerusalem is written on them.

Revelation 21:2-3

21:2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

21:3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

Being written with the name of New Jerusalem means that we become the bride of heaven, namely **the people who experience the life renewal from fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus.**

Ezekiel 11:19-20

11:19 "Then I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within them, and take the stony heart out of their flesh, and give them a heart of flesh,

11:20 "that they may walk in My statutes and keep My judgments and do them; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God.

The bride must experience **the renewal to the heart**. She must have an **obedient heart**. Be careful! There are many disobedient women. For example, Eve was disobedient and driven out of garden Eden. Queen Vashti was disobedient, so she lost her position as the queen and Esther became the queen instead of her.

There are three kinds of the process of the heart renewal according to the Tabernacle or the heavenly kingdom as follows.

1. Through water and Holy Spirit baptism (the Court).

Matthew 3:16-17

3:16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

3:17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

We have the heart of the bride, namely **the heart of a dove or the sincere one through the water and Holy Spirit baptism**. It means the heart that is anointed and filled up by Holy Spirit.

Acts 19:1-6

19:1 And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples

19:2 he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit."

19:3 And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized?" So they said, "Into John's baptism."

19:4 Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus."

19:5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

19:6 And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.

The steps that the Gentiles can be changed, namely the hard heart is changed into the sincere one are as follows.

- Believing or having faith in Jesus through hearing the Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit (the Gate).
- Repenting (the Altar of Burnt Offerings).
If our heart believes, our mouth will confess the sins to God and others. We must not repeat them after being forgiven.

- Water baptism (the Brazen Laver)

Romans 6:4

6:4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

The true water baptism happens when a person who had died to sin or repented is buried in water with Jesus and raised up out of water with Him to get a new life, namely the heavenly one.

- Holy Spirit baptism to get the new life.
It means that we have the sincere heart like a dove, namely there are no purpose to get advantage for our own life, bitterness, and hypocrisy. Moreover, we can distinguish between the right and wrong. It begins from distinguishing between the true teachings and the false ones, the true service and ministry and the false ones, and the true marriage and the false one. As a result, we can be the house of prayer and experience the presence of God to do all things in our life.
A pastor first must be sincere and become the house of prayer. As a result, the sheep will enjoy dwelling in the shepherding pen. On the contrary, a pastor who is not sincere is selling the dove. Consequently, there is serpent only. He becomes the den of thieves.

2. Being shepherded in the Holy Place.

Exodus 2:12

2:12 So he looked this way and that way, and when he saw no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

Moses was educated in Egypt for forty years and then he had a will to serve to God. Egypt refers to the world. The education of the world will only result in hard heart as follows.

- Looking this way and that way. It means serving and ministering without looking at God or the true teaching Word, but human with the intelligence, riches, tribe, and so on. Consequently, there are many groups. Looking at God or the true Vine will result in the true fellowship.
Looking at human will also result in hypocrisy, hatred, evil deeds, slander, and gossip, even one repays evil for good.
- Hiding the dead body in the sand.
The sand refers to the world. It means as follows.
 - a. Serving and ministering with worldly ways that are not in line with the true teaching Word. It seems good, but there is rottenness because there is no sanctification. It will be revealed someday.
 - b. Solving problems with the worldly ways. The problems seem finished, but the rottenness increases day by day.

Exodus 2:15

2:15 When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well.

Moses ministered with a hard heart. Consequently, he was in total failure.

Judas Iscariot hid the rottenness in the stomach of his heart, but then it was revealed. His entrails gushed out.

Therefore, **we must be shepherded.**

Exodus 3:1

3:1 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian. And he led the flock to the back of the desert, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.

We must be shepherded to Jesus Himself or the true teaching Word like a branch that dwells in the true Vine. The life that is shepherded must be in the shepherding pen or the Holy Place. There are three kinds of equipment in it that refer to the **perseverance** as follows.

- Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service to have the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts. We have the sanctification done by the fire of Holy Spirit.
- Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and Holy Communion. We get the sanctification that is done by the fire of the Word.
- Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Worship Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in the love. We get the sanctification that is done by the love of God.

Exodus 3:2

3:2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush was not consumed.

The shepherded life will be like a bush that was burning with fire, but not consumed. The bush refers to the sinful and brittle fleshly human. Our body, soul, and spirit are sanctified by the fire of the Word, Holy Spirit, and God's love, so we can have the new heart, namely the meek one.

Numbers 12:1-3

12:1 Then Miriam and Aaron spoke against Moses because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for he had married an Ethiopian woman.

12:2 So they said, "Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has He not spoken through us also?" And the LORD heard it.

12:3 (Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men who were on the face of the earth.)

The meek heart can see the Lord or the true teaching Word. We can also see ourselves in our weaknesses, so we can confess our sins. We can see the weakness of other people so that we can forgive and forget it. It continues until we can love and pray for the people who make hostility towards us. We can repay good for evil. This is a great scene.

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 continues until we become the light of the world or the bride of God someday.

Exodus 2:21

2:21 Then Moses was content to live with the man, and he gave Zipporah his daughter to Moses.

Moses, one of the Israelites got married with Zipporah, one of the Gentiles. It means that the house of Israel who has the meek heart can be used to save the Gentiles.

The Gentiles who are willingly shepherded so that they have the meek hearts can be used by God to reach all people. It begins from the marriage or household, the shepherding, the inter-shepherding fellowship service, up to the house of Israel, to be one perfect body of Christ.

3. Through the sprinkling of blood (the MOST HOLY PLACE).

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 sprinkling of blood is the same as the suffering in the flesh because of Jesus. For example, suffering in the flesh because of keeping the true teaching Word, serving and ministering to God, being slandered, and so on. God lets us experience the sufferings in the flesh so that we can get the Spirit of Glory that renews us from fleshly men to spiritual ones who are strong and of good courage.

Psalm 27:14

27:14 Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!

We can hold fast to and obey the true teaching Word.

Philippians 2:12, 16

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;

2:16 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.

The facts found in being strong and of good courage are as follows.

- We keep faithful, fervent in spirit, and responsible in serving and ministering to God until the end, namely we pass away or the Lord comes a second time.
- We willingly sacrifice all things for the work of God such as time, energy, money, thought, and so on, except one, namely the true teaching Word or Jesus Himself.

Philippians 2:13

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

- We keep on living in righteousness according to the Word. We do neither complain nor dispute, but give thanks to God always.

Philippians 2:14

2:14 Do all things without complaining and disputing,

- We hold fast to the true teaching Word and obey it until the flesh does not speak anymore.

Philippians 2:15-16

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,

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.

It is the same as lifting up our hands to God. As a result, God also stretches out His hands for us as follows.

- For lifting us up to be the shining stars. We do not fall. We only hope in God.
- For holding us.

Revelation 1:16

1:16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

Isaiah 41:10

41:10 Fear not, for I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

The results are as follows.

- a. The Lord is able to preserve and protect us physically in the midst of difficulties in the world. Spiritually, we can experience the peace and all things will be easy and light.
- b. The hands of God give us victory over the stronger enemies. All problems are solved, even the impossible ones.
- c. The hands of God lift us up.

Psalm 118:15-16

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

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

The hands of God lift us up from our fall and heal us. He also lifts us up from failure, so we can be successful. All things become successful and beautiful in time of need. He uses and changes us until we can be as perfect as Jesus is when He comes a second time.

God blesses you.