Bible Study Service in Malang, September 07, 2021 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 14 refers to the seven sprinklings of blood in front of the Ark of the Covenant or the suffering in the flesh for the church together with Jesus as the last sanctification that the church can reach the quality of being blameless or perfect.

Revelation 14 can be divided into the following three parts:

- 1. Verse 1-5 = the church's following Jesus as the Lamb of God (it has been explained in General Service in Malang, August 15, 2021).
- 2. Verse 6-13 = the judgment.
- 3. Verse 14-20 = the harvest on earth.

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Revelation 14:1

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.

There are the sprinkling of blood and the following.

Thus, the church's following Jesus is signified by the sprinkling of blood, so there is increasing sanctification and renewal up to Mount Zion or the quality of the perfection of the heavenly bride (it has been explained from General Service in Malang, August 15, 2021 to General Service in Malang, August 29, 2021).

Psalm 84:7

84:7. They go from strength to strength; Each one appears before God in Zion.

If our following Jesus is signified with the sprinkling of blood, the older we are, the stronger we will be.

Revelation 14:2-5

14:2. And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters⁽¹⁾, and like the voice of loud thunder⁽²⁾. And I heard the sound of harpists⁽³⁾ playing their harps.

14:3 They sang as it were a new song⁽⁴⁾ before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.

14:4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins⁽⁵⁾. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits⁽⁶⁾ to God and to the Lamb.

14:5 And in their mouth was found no deceit⁽⁷⁾, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

There are seven facts about our following Jesus up to Mount Zion as follows:

- 1. [Revelation 14:2a] *like the voice of many waters*. It means that it cannot be blocked (it has been explained from Bible Study Service in Malang, August 31, 2021 to Prayer Service in Malang, September 2, 2021).
- 2. [Revelation 14:2b] *like the voice of loud thunder*. It means the power of the teaching Word (it has been explained in General Service in Malang, Spetember 5, 2021).
- 3. [Revelation 14:2c] the sound of harpists.
- 4. [Revelation 14:3] a new song.
- 5. [Revelation 14:4a] they are virgins.
- 6. [Revelation 14:4b] being firstfruits to God.
- 7. [Revelation 14:5] in their mouth was found no deceit = for they are without fault.

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Revelation 14:2

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1 Samuel 16:14-16,23

16:14.But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and a distressing spirit from the LORD troubled him. 16:15 And Saul's servants said to him, "Surely, a distressing spirit from God is troubling you.

16:16 "Let our master now command your servants, who are before you, to seek out <u>a man who is a skillful player on the harp</u>; and it shall be that he will play it with his hand when the distressing spirit from God is upon you, and you shall be well." 16:23 And so it was, whenever the spirit from God was upon Saul, that <u>David would take a harp</u>and play it with his hand. Then Saul would become refreshed and well, and the distressing spirit would depart from him.

Every time David played the harp, Saul became refreshed and well.

Thus, following Jesus like the sound of harpists means being in peace. It means as follows:

- There are no war, enmity, or division between man and God as well as other people.
- Serenity.
- Sins have been finished.

Why do we need the peace?

1. Since Adam and Eve committed sin in garden Eden and were cast to the world, <u>all men have committed sins up to the</u> <u>peak</u>, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage <u>until there is separation with</u> <u>God and other people</u>.

Isaiah 59:1-3

59:1.Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, That it cannot save; Nor His ear heavy, That it cannot hear.

59:2 But <u>your iniquities have separated you from your God</u>; And your sins have hidden His face from you, So that He will not hear.

59:3 For your hands are defiled with blood, And your fingers with iniquity; Your lips have spoken lies, Your tongue has muttered perversity.

The consequences are as follows:

 \circ Being naked = losing the glory of God and peace.

Genesis 3:10

3:10.So he said, "I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraidbecause I was naked; and I hid myself."

• Fear or anxiety.

All of them have happened in garden Eden and increase more up to the last days.

Luke 21:25-26

21:25."And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring;

21:26 "men's hearts failing them from fearand the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

The fear because of sin has happened in garden Eden. It happens more on the last days when the shakings in all aspects happen until men are in fear and distress. It becomes the main killer on the last days both physically and spiritually, namely men cannot pray. The spiritual death will become the second death in the hell.

Keeping the sins up to the peak, one cannot be touched by God. He cannot do anything. It means being in the hands of Satan for being destroyed.

2. The sin of a priest (beginning from a pastor) will be born by the congregation also.

Leviticus 4:1-3

4:1Now the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

4:2 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If a person sins unintentionally against any of the commandments of the LORD in anything which ought not to be done, and does any of them,

4:3 'if the anointed priest sins, bringing guilt on the people, then let him offer to the LORD for his sin which he has sinned a young bull without blemish as a sin offering.

A priest should stand between the congregation and God for being the minister of reconciliation.

1 Samuel 2:15-17,22

2:15.Also, before they burned the fat, the priest's servant would come and say to the man who sacrificed, "Give meat for roasting to the priest, for he will not take boiled meat from you, but raw."

2:16 And if the man said to him, "They should really burn the fat first; then you may take as much as your heart desires," he would then answer him, "No, but you must give it now; and if not, I will take it by force."

2:17 Therefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD, for men abhorred the offering of the LORD. 2:22 Now Eli was very old; and he heard everything his sons did to all Israel, and how they lay with the women who assembled at the door of the tabernacle of meeting.

'*I will take it by force*' = the evil sin, namely taking the possession of God. Fat was the possession of God. It refers to the tithes.

'lay with the women' = the sin of uncleanness.

1 Samuel 4:21-22

4:21. Then she named the child Ichabod, saying, "<u>The glory has departed from Israel</u>!" because <u>the ark of God had been</u> <u>captured</u> and because of her father-in-law and her husband.

4:22 And she said, "The glory has departed from Israel, for the ark of God has been captured."

Hophni dan Phinehas committed the sins of evil, uncleanness, and bitterness, so the sins were born by the congregation as follows:

• The Ark of the Covenant was captured = there was no true teaching Word in the congregation anymore. The Ark refers to the Tabernacle teaching and Bride Tidings.

Consequently, there is spiritual famine in the congregation until they look for the satisfaction in the world and fall and rise in sins up to the peak. Moreover, the worldly satisfaction is also brought to the church.

If our focus in the service to God is not the revelation of the Word, we will be hungry for sure.

- There is no glory.
- There is no serenity in the congregation. There is only chaos because of physical things such as money, position, and so on.
- There is no life renewal, but the men of flesh and blood with the eighteen characteristics of the flesh [2 Timothy 3:1-5] like a woman who was bent over for eighteen years.

The consequence is being stamped with triple six or the same as the Antichrist who will be destroyed forever.

Where can we get the peace? We get it from God through the ministry of reconciliation.

2 Corinthians 5:18

5:18.Now <u>all things are of God</u>, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

The ministry of reconciliation is the effort of God so that the sinful men can get the peace.

In the New Testament, the ministry of reconciliation happened through the animal offering. All Israelites regardless of any condition they had could be reconciled.

The way is that Aaron as the high priest had to enter the Most Holy Place once a year bringing the blood of the animal offering from the Altar of Burnt Offerings and the incense from the Golden Altar of Incense for performing the ministry of reconciliation and removing all the sins of the Israelites.

In the New Testament, the ministry of reconciliation happens through the sacrifice of Christ.

1 John 4:10

4:10. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent <u>His Son to be the propitiation for our sins</u>.

Jesus as the only innocent Man must be the propitiation for our sins. It means that Jesus must die in curse on the cross for reconciling our sins. Only the blood of innocent man can reconcile the sinners.

God has been ready for performing the ministry of reconciliation since in the Garden Eden so that men can get the peace and return to the hand of God.

It is through Jesus as the High Priest's entering the throne of heaven once and sitting at the right side of the throne of Father God bringing His own blood and lifting up the intercession prayer until today for reconciling the sins of the Israelites and Gentiles.

Our attitude must be as follows:

1. We must make peace with God and others.

Romans 12:18

12:18.If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

Making peace with others must be our initiative. After we have the initiative, but others do not make any response, it will be their responsibility. The important thing is that our heart has been peaceful.

2. Praying and asking for the peace in any circumstances.

The process of making peace is as follows:

- 1. We can realize, regret, and confess all of our sins honestly to God and others by the encouragement of the sword of the Word. The blood of Jesus forgives us and we do not repeat the sins.
- 2. We can forgive and forget the sins of others by the encouragement of the sword of the Word.

If we only confess the sins or we only forgive the sins of others, there will be no meaning because the reconciliation does not happen. There must be confessing the sins together with forgiving the sins of others. If the sins are repeated, the forgiveness is cancelled and the judgment still happens.

When we make peace, the blood of Jesus will reconcile us. It means as follows:

- 1. Forgiving.
- 2. Bearing the mistake. One who confesses the sin must not repeat the sin. One who forgives must not open up an old sore. Repeating sin and opening up an old sore will cause the nakedness and one will be in the hands of Satan.
- 3. Cancelling a claim.
- 4. It is because of the mercy only that is able to defeat the judgment.
- 5. Changing from the two parties, so the differences can be united.
- 6. Covering sins.
- 7. Sanctifying.

2 Corinthians 5:19

5:19.that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, <u>not imputing their trespasses to them</u>, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

When the blood of Jesus reconciles our sins, they will not be counted by God anymore as if we had never done such sins. There is voice from the cross "*It is done!*" It means that the blood of Jesus finishes all of our sins.

The results of the reconciliation by the blood of Jesus are as follows:

1. The blood of Jesus is able to justify us.

Romans 3:23-26

3:23.for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

3:24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

3:25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed,

3:26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

All sins are finished, so we can live in righteousness and hold fast to the true teaching Word and we are not deceived. In the Tabernacle, it refers to the white cloth that surrounds the Court of the Tabernacle or the mercy of God.

Psalm 5:12

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

We are surrounded as with a shield, so we are saved or not punished. Moreover, we are blessed up to our descendants. We always give thanks and become blessings for others.

Where there is righteousness, there is peace. It means that we live in peace like living in the sound of harp.

2. <u>The blood of Jesus is able to sanctify us</u>. **Hebrews 10:10** 10:10.By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Our life is sanctified. It starts from our heart as the source of spiritual life.

Matthew 15:19

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

The blasphemies refer to blaspheming the righteous and glorifying the false, including about the teaching.

The evil and unclean heart must be sanctified by the blood of Jesus. The seven sins make the lamp quenched, so one lives in the darkness. The deeds and words are without any control.

If the heart is sanctified, it will be filled by the Holy Spirit with the seven manifestations.

The deeds and words are also sanctified until there are righteous, holy, and good deeds and words that become blessings for others.

The proof of living in holiness is our hating sins.

Proverbs 6:16-19

6:16.These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:
6:17 A proud look⁽¹⁾, A lying tongue⁽²⁾, Hands that shed innocent blood⁽³⁾,
6:18 A heart that devises wicked plans⁽⁴⁾, Feet that are swift in running to evil⁽⁵⁾,
6:19 A false witness who speaks lies⁽⁶⁾, And one who sows discord ⁽⁷⁾ among brethren..

'A proud look' = only looking at the worldly things.
'A lying tongue' = the ramified tongue that likes changing the true teaching Word.
'Hands that shed innocent blood' = the deeds that harm the righteous.

The fourth is the shaft and the other six are the branches.

We are sanctified to become a lamp that keeps burning. We live in the anointing of Holy Spirit. If we live in holiness, we will be lifted up to be the priests who are entrusted with the ministry.

Exodus 29:1a

29:1a."And this is what you shall do to them to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests:

2 Corinthians 5:18-19

5:18.Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,

5:19. that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and <u>has</u> committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Colossians 1: 25-26

1:25.of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God which was given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God,

1:26 the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints.

What is preached? The word of reconciliation is about the following two things:

- '<u>from ages</u>' = the lesson about the map of ages which God entrusts to Rev. W.H. Offiler.
 It refers to the teaching that reveals the plan of salvation from God for His people from age to age.
- '*from generations*'= the Tabernacle teaching and Bride Tidings which are revealed by God to Rev. F.G. van Gessel. **Exodus 27:21**

27:21."In the tabernacle of meeting, outside the veil which is before the Testimony, Aaron and his sons shall tend it from evening until morning before the LORD. It shall be a statute <u>forever to their generations</u>on behalf of the children of Israel.

Exodus 28:43

28:43."They shall be on Aaron and on his sons when they come into the tabernacle of meeting, or when they come near the altar to minister in the holy place, that they do not incur iniquity and die. It shall be a statute forever to him and his descendants after him.

The Tabernacle teaching and Bride Tidings or the Bride Tidings in the light of Tabernacle reveal the plan of God for perfecting His people.

The age from Adam to Abraham is the lost age when people are considered not knowing God. Thus, the plan of salvation up to the perfection starts from the age of Abraham to the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace.

It can be divided into three parts as follows:

a. From Abraham to Jesus' first coming (two thousand years) = the age of Israel. It refers to the Court of the Tabernacle. The period of five hundred years is from Abraham to Moses' receiving the two tablets of stone and Tabernacle. After that, the period of one thousand five hundred years refers to the age of the Law.

The area of the white cloth that surrounds the Tabernacle is 300 (the periphery) x 5 (the height) = one thusand five hundred cubit square.

b. Jesus' first coming to the second (two thousand years) = the age of the church. In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Holy Place.

The volume is $20 \times 10 \times 10$ or two thousand cubit cube.

c. The second coming of Jesus up to the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace (one thousand years) = the age of Paradise.
 In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Most Holy Place.

The volume of the Most Holy Place is $10 \times 10 \times 10 =$ one thousand cubit cube.

Colossians 1:28

1:28. Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.

The teaching of the map of ages and Tabernacle contains the wisdom and power of God that lead us to the perfection.

Matthew 13:53-55

13:53.Now it came to pass, when Jesus had finished these parables, that He departed from there. 13:54 And when He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished and said, "Where did this Man get this <u>wisdom</u>and these <u>mighty works</u>?

13:55 "Is this not the carpenter's son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas?

This is the wisdom that surrounds as as with a shield.

Thus, if we live in holiness like the burning lamp, we will be used for bringing the word of reconciliation and being surrounded as with a shield with the wisdom and power of God or the anointing of Holy Spirit, so we feel the atmosphere of the garden of renown or Paradise.

Ezekiel 34:29

34:29."I will raise up for them <u>a garden of renown</u>, and they shall no longer be consumed with hunger in the land, nor bear the shame of the Gentiles anymore.

3. The blood of Jesus perfects us.

Hebrews 10:14

10:14. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

2 Corinthians 5:17

5:17. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become

new.

This is the ministry of reconciliation by the blood of Jesus until we become the new creation. We get the greatest miracle, namely the life renewal from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus is.

Colossians 3:12-14

3:12. Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies⁽¹⁾, kindness⁽²⁾, humility⁽³⁾, meekness⁽⁴⁾, longsufferind⁽⁵⁾:

3:13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do^(6: forgiving one another).

3:14 But above all these things put on love⁽⁷⁾, which is the bond of perfection.

'tender mercies' = neither judging nor agreeing sin, but bringing the sinners to God.

'kindness' = generosity.

'*humility*' = the ability to confess sin.

'meekness' = the ability to receive the long and hard teaching Word.

'*longsuffering*' = the patience for waiting for the time of God or not using our own way as well as the one for suffering or not grumbling, but giving thanks.

That is the characteristics of the new man, namely until we live in love. It means having the love to God and other people; even we can love others who make hostility towards us. We can be united with other people and God. Loving God means being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore.

Colossians 1:20

1:20.and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

Uniting the things on earth or things in heaven refers to the quality of the perfect peace.

Romans 16:20

16:20.And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

If there is the peaceful heart, God will crush Satan under our feet. The source of crisis is restored. The source of disease is healed. The source of sin is sanctified.

We become the new creation. All things are good, beautiful, and successful.

When Jesus comes a second time, we will be changed to be as perfect as He is for being worthy to welcome His second coming on the glorious clouds. We enter the Paradise and the New Jerusalem to have the everlasting peace.

God blesses you.