

Bible Study Service in Malang, September 19, 2013 (Thursday Evening)

Priest and Priests To Be Upgrading Service III

Peace and grace in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 28:20b

28:20 ... and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

God accompanies us to the end of the age. It means that He is with us from now on until the time when the antichrist reigns over the world, even when Jesus comes a second time and we sit together with Him on the throne of New Jerusalem forever.

Matthew 19:27-28

19:27 Then Peter answered and said to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?"

19:28 So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

Who may get the accompaniment of God? They are the people who follow and minister to Him until the end, namely they die or Jesus comes a second time. They are consecrated by God. **Thus, the accompaniment of God cannot be separated from the consecration or ministry.**

We must fully surrender to God in order to be consecrated or used by God.

Exodus 29:1, 18

29:1 "And this is what you shall do to them to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests: Take one young bull and two rams without blemish,

29:18 "And you shall burn the whole ram on the altar. It is a burnt offering to the LORD; it is a sweet aroma, an offering made by fire to the LORD."

The consecration of Aaron and his sons in Old Testament is signified by the fully surrendering offering, namely a ram that is burnt to produce sweet-smelling aroma before God.

In the New Testament, there must be these two signs to fully surrender to God as follows.

1. Sacrifice, namely we leave all things.
2. Renewal as the flesh burnt to become sweet smelling-aroma.

Thus, we must have life renewal in order to be accompanied by God until we can sit on the throne of God.

Revelation 4:3-4

4:3 And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald.

4:4 Around the throne were twentyâ€"four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twentyâ€"four elders sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads.

There are twenty four thrones around the throne of God. Twelve of them refer to the twelve apostles of the early rain church and another twelve thrones refer to the twelve apostles of the latter rain church.

The twelve apostles of the early rain church are used to grow the church in the quantity through the gospel of salvation or Good Tidings.

The twelve apostles of the last rain church are used to grow the church in the quality through the light of the glory of Christ or Bride Tidings.

The twenty four apostles of the early rain and the latter rain church together with Jesus judge the twelve tribes of Israel and the Gentiles. It means to judge the world.

1 Corinthians 6:2

6:2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

Thus, the requirement to sit on the throne of glory is the life renewal we experience related to the judgment. The practices are as follows.

1. **The servant of God who has life renewal will not judge the sins of other people.**

Romans 2:1

2:1 Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

One who judges the sin of others actually has the same sin in their life. He has self-truth and hypocrisy.

Matthew 7:1

7:1 "Judge not, that you be not judged.

Judging other people, one is going to be judged.

Matthew 7:6

7:6 "Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you in pieces.

We may judge only in one thing, namely holy thing and pearl or the true teaching Word. The dog and swine mean lives that do not want to be renewed but keep the sins up to the peak, namely sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. Moreover, they feel that they are righteous after sinning.

Do not give what is holy to the dogs; nor cast your pearls before swine means as follows.

- a. To give the true teaching Word to the people who do not want to get the life renewal is useless. Moreover, they cannot change even they will criticize and despise the true teaching Word, argue, and blame it.
- b. Do not make any fellowship with the people who do not want to change.
- c. Do not receive the false teachings coming from the dogs or false teachers.

Philippians 3:2

3:2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the mutilation!

2. **The servant of God receiving the life renewal will judge himself.**

1 Peter 4:17

4:17 For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?

There are three ways to judge our self as follows.

a. **With broom and lamp.**

Luke 15:8

15:8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?

The broom refers to the Word to cleanse and the lamp refers to the anointing of Holy Spirit. Thus, the broom and lamp refer to the true teaching Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit or the Word of God that is revealed by Holy Spirit. It is the sanctification Word or the Word of God that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

Thus, we can judge ourselves through the sharpness of the sword of the Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

If we do not want to judge ourselves with the Word of God in the anointing of Holy Spirit, we will become the poorest and the most suffering people as the Church of Laodiceans.

There are three things that must be judged through the sharpness of the sword of the Word of God as follows.

▪ Thing about **the shepherding.**

Luke 15:4-5

15:4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it?

15:5 "And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.

If the pastor is willing to judge himself with the sharpness of the sword of the Word of God, he will always put the sheep on His shoulder. It means as follows.

- To be responsible always to feed the sheep with the right food.
- To be responsible always to lift up the intercession prayer as the covering for the congregation, so that they are always safe.
- To be responsible always to become the example of faith, not to change in the teaching, but to hold fast always the true teaching Word.

Hebrews 13:7-9

13:7 Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct.

13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

13:9 Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them.

To become the example of faith means to give the direction to New Jerusalem or the throne of heaven.

If a sheep can judge itself with the sharpness of the sword of the Word of God, it will be responsible to eat the true shepherding Word and flee from the strange voice.

If a pastor is not responsible to feed the sheep, but he judges other people more, the sheep have gone astray and been lost.

If the sheep are not responsible to eat the shepherding Word, but they judge others more, they will go astray and be lost.

■ **The tithes.**

Luke 15:8-9

15:8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?

15:9 "And when she has found it, she calls her friends and neighbors together, saying, Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!"

Malachi 3:7-9

3:7 Yet from the days of your fathers You have gone away from My ordinances And have not kept them. Return to Me, and I will return to you," Says the LORD of hosts. "But you said, In what way shall we return?"

3:8 "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, In what way have we robbed You? In tithes and offerings.

3:9 You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation.

If the shepherd and sheep steal the tithes, they will be cursed, weary, and sorrowful in sufferings, even they cannot eat the shepherding Word. Consequently, the doors are shut.

Malachi 3:10

3:10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.

If both the shepherd and the sheep are judged by the sword of the Word of God, they will be able to give back the tithes and offerings faithfully and righteously. As a result, they can eat the shepherding Word and the doors are opened, even the door of heavenly kingdom.

■ **Thing about the submission or surrendering**[Luke 15:11-32]

The signs of ministry without the surrendering are as follows.

- The younger son leaves the field of the Father and dwells in the field of swine.
- The elder son serves with insisting the right, envy, easily stumbling and getting angry.

Luke 15:28-30

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.*

The elder son likes to judge other people, even the Father and the true teaching, so there is no joy and satisfaction, but murmuring.

Luke 15:17

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!'"*

Finally, the younger son experiences the judgment by the sword of the Word, so he can submit himself fully to God. It means that he feels that he is unworthy, so he does not insist the right, but only does the duty. Moreover, he does not judge other people. As a result, there is joy of heaven as if the dead is made alive.

b. With the Holy Communion.

1 Corinthians 11:28

11:28 *But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.*

The Holy Communion cannot be separated from the sword of the Word of God. Therefore, we must pay attention to Bible Study Service with the Holy Communion.

Matthew 26:21-22, 24-25

26:21 *Now as they were eating, He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, one of you will betray Me."*

26:22 *And they were exceedingly sorrowful, and each of them began to say to Him, "Lord, is it I?"*

26:24 *"The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."*

26:25 *Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."*

We are sanctified from the sins of Judas Iscariot, namely lying, saying something that is not righteous, not confessing sin but blaming other people. Consequently, Judas Iscariot is demon-possessed, namely to unite with Satan and perish forever.

John 13:27

13:27 *Now after the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."*

John 13:23

13:23 *Now there was leaning on Jesus's bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved.*

John wants to get the judgment through the sword of the Word and the Holy Communion, so he can say honestly and righteously as well as confess the sin and weakness.

John 21:20-22

21:20 *Now there was leaning on Jesus's bosom one of His disciples, whom Jesus loved. Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper, and said, "Lord, who is the one who betrays You?"*

21:21 *Peter, seeing him, said to Jesus, "But Lord, what about this man?"*

21:22 *Jesus said to him, "If I will that he remain till I come, what is that to you? You follow Me."*

As a result, the death and life are inside the hand of God and we unite with Him forever.

c. With test and sufferings.

Job 32:1-2

32:1 *So these three men ceased answering Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.*

32:2 *Then the wrath of Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram, was aroused against Job; his wrath was aroused because he justified himself rather than God.*

For example, Job never judges himself, but feels himself more righteous than others and God. He blames others and God, so he murmurs, argues, get unsatisfied, insists the right, and feels himself to be precious and worthy of praise.

James 5:9

5:9 Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door!

Job 42:5-6

42:5 "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.

42:6 Therefore I abhor myself, And repent in dust and ashes."

Facing test and temptation, we get the biggest opportunity to judge ourselves, feel that we are only clay that is powerless, unworthy, and not precious.

James 5:10-11

5:10 My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience.

5:11 Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lordâthat the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

One who judges himself will feel that he is only clay. His attitude will be as follows.

- Persevering inside the sheepfold.
- Being patient in suffering and waiting for the time of God.

As a result, we meet Jesus, High Priest, who is merciful to heal us doubly, namely spiritually and physically.

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.

Mark 7:28

7:28 And she answered and said to Him, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the childrenâs crumbs."

The woman of Canaan does not check herself who is unclean as the dog. Her marriage and child are destroyed. In such sufferings, there is an opportunity that the tongue may lick the crumbs of the Word and Holy Communion to get the renewal from the dog to the sheep saying right words, confessing sins, and worshipping God. As a result, God stretches His merciful hands to finish the problem of marriage and children and heal them.

Psalms 103:4

103:4 Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,

The mercy of God will become the crown of glory.

1 Peter 5:4-6

5:4 and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

5:5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

5:6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

Young people are allowed to be in low condition, not precious, despised, without the bright future life in order to be shepherded and obedient. As a result, the hand of God will be stretched to lift us up in His time. Failure is changed into success and God will use us in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain for building the body of Christ until someday we are exalted on glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time and we sit on the throne of God forever.

God blesses you.