

General Service in Malang, April 05, 2020 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 11:4

11:4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth.

The two witnesses or Moses and Elijah refer to the two olive trees which have relation with the anointing oil of Holy Spirit. They also refer to the two lampstands or the Golden Candlestick which has relation with the light of the testimony.

Acts 1:8

1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

The power of Holy Spirit is the one to testify. It refers to the anointing oil which makes the lamp keep on burning until Jesus comes for the second time on the glorious clouds.

We have learned about the olive tree.

Now, we learn about the lampstand or the Golden Candlestick.

Exodus 25:31-32

25:31 " You shall also make a lampstand of pure gold; the lampstand shall be of hammered work. Its shaft, its branches, its bowls, its ornamental knobs, and flowers shall be of one piece.

25:32 "And six branches shall come out of its sides: three branches of the lampstand out of one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side.

The lampstand has three parts so that it can burning as follows:

1. The base.
2. The shaft.
3. The branch.

The requirement to make the lamp burning or the requirement to become the witness of God is having the base or the strong foundation.

Ephesians 2:19-20

2:19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

2:20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone.

There are two kinds of foundation of the church of God as follows:

- The apostles and prophets. They refer to the Bible or the true and pure teaching word which is revealed through one verse that explains other verses in the Bible.
The apostles refer to the New Testament.
The prophets refer to the Old Testament.

2 Samuel 22:31-32

22:31 As for God, His way is perfect; The word of the LORD is proven; He is a shield to all who trust in Him.

22:32 "For who is God, except the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?"

God is the same as the rock.

In the beginning was the Word. The true teaching word is God Himself.

So, the true teaching word refers to the rock which cannot be moved or changed at all.

- Jesus Christ Himself as the chief cornerstone or the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

1 Peter 2:6-7

2:6 Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

2:7 Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone,"

Actually, He was a precious, beautiful, and glorious stone, but rejected by the builders.

It means that He was crucified, so He became the chief cornerstone or the rock.

The builders actually knew about the stone, but they rejected Him. It means that they were hard-hearted because they knew but did not want to understand.

So, the foundation of the church of God is the true and pure teaching word and the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

Now, we know the sacrifice of Christ as the Holy Communion.

Therefore, in the church of God there must be the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion. In the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion, we are edifying a strong and firm foundation or the chief cornerstone and the rock which cannot be made fall and destroyed by anything.

Haggai 2:18-19

2:18 'Consider now from this day forward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, from the day that the foundation of the LORD'S temple was laid--consider it:

2:19 'Is the seed still in the barn? As yet the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have not yielded fruit. But from this day I will bless you.'"

The term '*Consider*' reminds us to pay attention to the foundation nowadays.

If we want to edify the foundation through the true teaching word and sacrifice of Christ, we are ready to receive the blessing of God from heaven.

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.

The daily facts found in having the foundation of the chief cornerstone or the firm rock are as follows:

1. '*Hears these saying of Mine and does them*'. Hearing means that we hear the word of Jesus or the true teaching word. Doing them means that we hear and obey the true teaching word.

Therefore, everything that we hear must be clear, namely one verse explains other verses in the Bible, not the interpretation or unclear visions.

1 Peter 1:22

1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart.

The proof of hearing and obeying the true teaching word is that we live in the holiness and love one another sincerely with a pure heart. We only do the good things to other people, not the wicked ones. Moreover, we can repay good for evil. It is the strong foundation.

When men easily hurt other people through the speaking and deeds, they do not have the foundation yet, so they fall when facing the wind, flood, and rain.

Let us learn to only do the good things until we repay good for evil.

Exodus 29:1

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.

If are willingly sanctified, we will be appointed as the priests and kings or the servant and the minister of God who serve and minister to Him according to the ministry that He entrusts to us faithfully and righteously, faithfully and well, and faithfully and fervently in spirit. It is the same being the stars.

The results of it are as follows:

- We are given trust and responsibility over many things, namely the edification of the perfect body of Christ or the revival of Holy Spirit at later rain.

Matthew 25:21

25:21 "His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

It starts from the house-hold, shepherding, inter-shepherding, until the perfect body of Christ is formed.

- We feel the heavenly joy which increases up to the peak, namely we enter the marriage supper of the Lamb on the glorious clouds. We return to the paradise. We experience the atmosphere of paradise nowadays.

On the contrary, when men disobey the word of God, although they are great, they are cast out. The greater they are, the more the destruction they get when they are disobedient. The important thing is the obedience not the greatness.

Matthew 7:21-23

7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

7:22 "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

7:23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

Disobeying the true teaching word only makes men be cast out like Adam and Eve who were casted out into the world.

2. We become the wise men who have the heavenly wisdom.

Matthew 7:24

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:

Ecclesiastes 10:2

10:2 A wise man's heart is at his right hand, But a fool's heart at his left.

'A wise man's heart is at his right hand'. The right side is the place of the sheep (Matthew 25)

So, the wise men refer to the sheep that are shepherded well and correctly and always in the shepherding pen.

Physically, the pen refers to the organizations of church which are approved by the country and can be different one from another. Spiritually, the pen refers to the heavenly kingdom. It must be same to all of the churches of God.

In the past time, God showed the heavenly kingdom to Moses, then He commanded him to make it in the world. It is the Tabernacle, so that on earth as it is in heaven.

The tabernacle has three rooms, namely the Court (the salvation), the Holy Place (the holiness), and the Most Holy Place (the perfection).

We have been saved, but not been perfect yet. It means that we are still in the Holy Place of the shepherding pen spiritually.

In the Holy Place there are three instruments. Now they refer to the perseverance in doing the three main services to God as follows:

- The Golden Candlestick refers to perseverance in doing the General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the anointing and gifts of Holy Spirit.
- The Table of Showbread refers to perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the true teaching word and sacrifice of Christ.
- The Golden Altar of Incense refers to perseverance in doing the Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in His love.

In the shepherding pen, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the Trinity of God, so the following things will happen:

- We cannot be touched by the trinity of Satan, be made fall in sins up to the peak, and deceived by the false teaching.
It means that we are the same as the stars which cannot be dragged by the tail of the dragon, so the stars do not fall, but they keep on shining.

We have been appointed as the star, but unfortunately, there are many stars which fall during the journey because they are not wise and shepherded.

- We cannot be attacked by the three multiplied seven condemnations of God over the world including the Antichrist. In the past, Egypt experienced the ten plagues, but the land of Goshen was saved. We are safe and peaceful.
- We are more sanctified and anointed by Holy Spirit and appear as the shining stars or become the testimony for other people.

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.

Now, we must become the testimony, not only receiving the testimony of other people. Be watchful in receiving the testimony because there are many false ones.

Being the testimony for other people means that we become the blessing for them.

Daniel 6:20-22

6:20 And when he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel. The king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?"

6:21 Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever!

6:22 "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you."

The term '*servant of the living God*' in the verse 21 means that if we become the testimony, we will become the servant of the living God.

It means that we live in the merciful and kind hand of God.

The results are as follows:

- a. The merciful and kind hand of God is able to protect and preserve us who are small and powerless anywhere, anytime, and in any circumstances until the Antichrist rules over the world for three and a half years; even up to the eternal life forever.
- b. The merciful and kind hand of God gives the successful and beautiful future life. Daniel was appointed as the prime minister.

3. We become the one who endures and gets strong and courageous.

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.

It means that we are neither disappointed nor hopeless and we do not leave God regardless of any risk we must face especially in facing the attacks from the trinity of Satan such as the winds, flood, and rain. We do not hope on other people but hold fast the true teaching word and obey it. We keep on living in the righteousness and holiness, being faithful and fervent in spirit in the service and ministry, trusting God, hoping, and worshiping Him.

Nowadays, we must always be watchful through the worship prayer. Be watchful to the spiritual lung so that the physical one will also be watched. God permits us now to stay more in our house not to satisfy the lusts but to worship Him more. This year is the year of worship.

As a result, we are ready to receive the blessing of God, namely the house does not fall. It means that we experience the victorious power over the trinity of Satan as follows:

- The rain or the beast on the air. It refers to Satan with the wicked and unclean spirit up to the peak of sin, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. We are victorious, so we live in righteousness and holiness.
- The winds or the beast on the land. It refers to the false prophet with the false teaching. We are victorious, so we can hold fast the true teaching word.

- The flood or the beast which comes out from the sea. It refers to the Antichrist with the power of Mammon. We are victorious, so we can be more joyful in giving than receiving.

The tongue cannot be tamed because it is powered by the trinity of Satan or the three beasts.

Philippians 2:10-11

2:10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

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

The proof that we are victorious over the trinity of Satan is that our tongue confesses that Jesus Christ is the Lord. The honest tongue is to confess our sins and weaknesses. We do not lie or break the promise but only trust and obey Him.

Being honest and obedient, and trusting means that we become the house of prayer. We can worship God. It is the proof that we are victorious over the trinity of Satan and God stretches out His powerful hand.

The results of it are as follows:

- The power of healing especially from the fever up to the impossible physical illness.

John 4:46-53

4:46 So Jesus came again to Cana of Galilee where He had made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman whose son was sick at Capernaum.

4:47 When he heard that Jesus had come out of Judea into Galilee, he went to Him and implored Him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death.

4:48 Then Jesus said to him, "Unless you people see signs and wonders, you will by no means believe."

4:49 The nobleman said to Him, "Sir, come down before my child dies!"

4:50 Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your son lives." So the man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him, and he went his way.

4:51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him and told him, saying, "Your son lives!"

4:52 Then he inquired of them the hour when he got better. And they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him."

4:53 So the father knew that it was at the same hour in which Jesus said to him, "Your son lives." And he himself believed, and his whole household.

A certain nobleman or man is honest when confessing his problem that his son was sick. It was the problem of the marriage and children and he trusted Jesus.

Spiritually, the fever refers to one who is lukewarm, unfaithful and starting to keep the wrong things. Let us return to God, faithfulness, and righteousness.

Being lukewarm means that one is not peaceful because there are the fear and bitterness.

The fever means that there is wrong thing, so we must finish all things which are not right. God helps all of us.

- The power of preservation and protection of God to us who are small and powerless in the midst of the difficulties in the world up to the age when the Antichrist rules over the world.

1 Kings 17:12-15

17:12 So she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die."

17:13 And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son."

17:14 "For thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the LORD sends rain on the earth.'"

17:15 So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days.

The widow of Zarephath refers to the women including the virgins. She was honest when confessing that she only had a handful of flour and a little oil.

The women face the crisis in economy.

When we are powerless, God truly wants to help all of us.

So, He changes the fear into the peace and joy.

1 Kings 17:17,21

17:17 Now it happened after these things that the son of the woman who owned the house became sick. And his sickness was so serious that there was no breath left in him.

17:21 And he stretched himself out on the child three times, and cried out to the LORD and said, "O LORD my God, I pray, let this child's soul come back to him."

God also gives the power of resurrection.

The women face the impossibilities. The impossibilities become possible. The tears become the tears of joy.

God permits us to experience the test not to destroy us but to increase our spirituality.

- There are many youths who die in sin, so let us come to God.

May be there is no future life anymore, let us come to God. He will help all of us.

The men who have left the shepherding pen must be careful because they are going out from Nain to the tomb. Let us return to the shepherding again. We will experience the power of preservation and resurrection of God.

When God comes for the second time, we are changed to be perfect as Him, so we are worthy to be with Him forever.

God blesses you.