

General Service in Malang, April 30, 2023 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 19-20 refers to the second coming of Jesus for two sides as follows:

1. For the church of the bride whom He loves that has been ready:

- [verse 6] Jesus comes a second time as the King of all kings.

Revelation 19:6

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!"

- [verse 7-10] Jesus comes a second time as the Heavenly Bridegroom.

Revelation 19:7

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."

Matthew 25:1-6

25:1 "Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

25:2 "Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

25:3 "Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them,

25:4 "but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

25:5 "But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept.

25:6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'"

Be careful! The flesh becomes negligent and sleepy until falling asleep when waiting for Jesus' second coming because it has been nighttime. It refers to the atmosphere of the darkness of sins up to the peak and spiritual winter or there is no love. At that time, Jesus comes in the glory as the King of all kings or the Heavenly Bridegroom, so only those who are ready with the oil for supply or the burning lamp can welcome His second coming.

- [verse 11] Jesus comes a second time as the High Priest who is faithful and true.

Revelation 19:11

19:11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

We must be the priests or God's servants who are faithful and true in the marriage, service and ministry to God, friendship, and so on.

Hebrews 10:10,14

10:10 By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

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

The ministry of the High Priest which we must experience is the ministry of reconciliation by the blood of Jesus, so we can make peace one another through confessing and forgiving one another. As a result, the blood of Jesus washes away our sins, so we are justified and live in righteousness, holiness, up to the perfection.

2 Peter 3:9,14-15

3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

3:14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless;

3:15 and consider that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation--as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you,

The waiting time is the lengthening of God's longsuffering or the time of His mercy for us, the Church, so that we are still able to fix our mistakes or weaknesses.

2. [Revelation 19:17 - Revelation 20] To those who do not believe, including the Church that does not want to repair the mistakes, but keeps the sins, Jesus comes a second time as the Most Just Judge for judging doubly as follows:

Revelation 19:17-18

19:17 *Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God,*

19:18 *"that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."*

- Because of the sinful deeds up to the peak.
- Because of rejecting the remission of sin through the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

The justice happens when the sinful people are judged.

The most justice happens when the sinful people are set free through the remission of sin.

Mark 7:37

7:37 *And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."*

In the waiting time, if we throw away all mistakes or sins, Jesus will work with His love to make all things good until making us as His bride who is ready.

Jesus started His work by touching the deaf ears and dumb tongue. This is the beginning of the reparation of the damage or destruction in human life.

The deaf ears refer to disobedience. It is the source of damage or destruction.

The deaf ears are touched by God to be the good ones that are able to be obedient. It is the source of success until all things become good.

Luke 8:18

8:18 *"Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he seems to have will be taken from him."*

Take heed what and how you hear! We must only hear the true teaching Word seriously so that we can reach the condition of all things' being good. If we are wrong in hearing the Word, we must be wrong also in our sayings and it may cause the damage or destruction.

Luke 9:32-33

9:32 *But Peter and those with him were heavy with sleep; and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him.*

9:33 *Then it happened, as they were parting from Him, that Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" --not knowing what he said.*

Peter slept when Jesus was in the glory, so he could not understand the Word and his words were meaningless. He wanted to build three tabernacles of wood or leaves for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah in the glory. It means not being ready for welcoming Jesus' second coming in the glory.

Matthew 8:19-20

8:19 *Then a certain scribe came and said to Him, "Teacher, I will follow You wherever You go."*

8:20 *And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."*

Jesus sighed because of having no place for laying His head or there is no holy and perfect body of Christ yet.

Exodus 25:8-9

25:8 *"And let them make Me a sanctuary, that I may dwell among them.*

25:9 *"According to all that I show you, that is, the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furnishings, just so you shall make it.*

In the Old Testament, God commanded Moses to make the Tabernacle according to the pattern of the heavenly kingdom or God's will to be His dwelling place. It is not like Peter, who followed his own will.

If we want to become the dwelling place of Jesus as the Head, we must submit our life to be built as the Tabernacle or the body of Christ according to the will of God.

Exodus 26:15

26:15 " And for the tabernacle you shall make the boards of acacia wood, standing upright.

There are three important requirements of edifying the spiritual Tabernacle or Christ's body as follows:

1. The boards must stand upright on the two sockets of silver. It means that the priests must have the firm standing on the sacrifice of Christ or make peace and on the true teaching Word.
2. The boards must be overlaid with gold. It means receiving the godly characteristic, namely the obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore.

Exodus 26:29

26:29 "You shall overlay the boards with gold, make their rings of gold as holders for the bars, and overlay the bars with gold.

We only look at God or use His truth, not the self-truth. The big problems will be little or nothing.

3. The boards must be with the five bars. It means that the priests must be made firm or strong by the experience of the cross together with Jesus until willingly sacrificing or suffering because of Jesus.

Exodus 26:26

26:26 " And you shall make bars of acacia wood: five for the boards on one side of the tabernacle,

1 Peter 2:4-10

2:4 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious,

2:5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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,"

2:8 and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

2:9 But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

2:10 who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

Matthew 16:15-18

16:15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

16:16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

16:17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

16:18 "And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Peter saw the plan of the edification of the Tabernacle, spiritual temple, or Christ's body. As a result, Peter, the small stone, could receive Jesus as the chief cornerstone for being built as the spiritual temple.

Luke 20:18

20:18 "Whoever falls on that stone will be broken; but on whomever it falls, it will grind him to powder."

The small stone refers to one who willingly humbles himself as low as possible. It means falling on the chief cornerstone until being broken-hearted or being little stone. We can be little or confess that we are not worthy because of having many weaknesses or sins. We confess that we are not able. We cannot do anything or we are not precious, but only rely on God fully. As a result, God will pour out Holy Spirit or the extra power and we become the dwelling place of Holy Spirit. Holy Spirit works in our life. The results are as follows:

1. Holy Spirit gives us the gifts or miraculous abilities that determine the ministry, so we are used in the edification of Christ's body. We will not be used by Babylon.
2. Holy Spirit is able to make us alive and preserve our life in the midst of the impossibilities in the world up to the eternal life.

Romans 8:11

8:11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Holy Spirit is able to remove impossibilities. All impossible problems are solved.

Holy Spirit is able to wipe away our tears and give the heavenly joy instead.

3. Holy Spirit renews the small stone to be the precious one.

Titus 3:5

3:5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

Revelation 21:9-11

21:9 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

21:11 having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal.

Being as clear as crystal is the same as honesty.

The jasper stone refers to the burning longing or faithfulness and fervency in spirit.

As a result, all things become good and beautiful until the perfection.

God blesses you.