General Service in Malang, February 12, 2017 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 5:1

5:1 And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne, a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals.

A scroll in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne is the same as the Bible today. It means the Word that is written in the Bible through God's revelation to His servants.

In Exodus 20-23, the Word of God is written in two places as follows:

- 1. Exodus 20:1-17, The Word of God was written in the two tablets of stone, meaning it is written in our hearts and minds.
- 2. Exodus 20:22 Exodus 23, The Word of God was written in the scrolls, meaning it is written in pages of our lives or our actions.

Therefore, the Word of God is written in our whole life.

Exodus 21:1-2

21:1 "Now these are the judgments which you shall set before them:

21:2 If you buy a Hebrew servant, he shall serve six years; and in the seventh he shall go out free and pay nothing.

The result is that we experience the freedom from sins which is the heaviest burden of men. If we are free from sins, we will also be free from other burdens.

Who can liberate us from sin?

Galatians 5:1

5:1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

Jesus is the only one who is able to make us free from sin. He is the only innocent man who willingly dies upon the cross in order to liberate us from sin.

Why should we be liberated from sin?

Because the wages of sin are death, misery, difficulties, exhaustion, heavy burden, up to perdition in hell forever.

How does Jesus liberate us from sin?

1. Through the blood of Jesus or the sacrifice of Christ upon the cross.

1 John 1:7-9

1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We must honestly confess our sins to God and others. Thus, the blood of Jesus actively works in two things as follows:

- o To forgive all of our sins, meaning to cover sins until there is no trace anymore as if we had never sinned.
- To pull out the roots of sin so that we do not sin anymore. It is the same as repenting and living in righteousness.

Sin is the separator between us and God, also between us and other people. If we've confessed, repented, and lived in righteousness, we will unite with others starting from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the perfect body of Christ.

2. Through the truth.

John 8:31-32

8:31 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 8:32 And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

John 17:17

17:17 Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.

The word of God is the truth.

The truth sanctifies us.

Therefore, the truth is the word of God that sanctifies us. It means the true teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

Ephesians 5:25-27

5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

5:26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

5:27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Jesus sanctifies us doubly so that we experience a perfect liberty. It starts from the sanctification through water that means the water baptism. Then, we are sanctified through the true teaching Word.

1 Peter 3:20-21

3:20 who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.

3:21 There is also an antitype which now saves us--baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

The true water baptism is to sanctify and renew the evil and unclean heart to become a good conscience, meaning an obedient heart. Water baptism is not a mere church ritual, but it decides our fates as follows:

 Whether we maintain an evil and unclean heart that also bears evil and wicked deeds which will be punished by God

Genesis 6:5-6

6:5 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

6:6 And the Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

Or we are willingly renewed, meaning to have an obedient heart that makes us enter the ark of Noah and be
protected from the flood. It refers to sins up to the peak that is eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage.
 It also refers to the false teaching, impossible trial, up to the punishment from God in the form of the rain of fire from
above and the hell forever.

The people who entered the ark of Noah were in pair (husband and wife). It refers to the Bride salvation, meaning the happiness of the Bride.

Hebrews 4:12

4:12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Deuteronomy 32:1-2

32:1 Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

32:2 Let my teaching drop as the rain, My speech distill as the dew, As raindrops on the tender herb, And as showers on the grass.

The true teaching Word is the same as showers on the grass.

John 15:3

15:3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

The Word spoken by Jesus refers to the Word which is revealed, meaning a verse explains other verses in the Bible. How can we be sanctified by The True Teaching Word? We must become branches that attach to the true vine, namely to be shepherded in The True Teaching Word.

What must be sanctified by the sword of The Word? It is the heart and mind which are filled with evil and impurity.

o Evil.

Song of Solomon 2:15

2:15 Catch us the foxes, The little foxes that spoil the vines, For our vines have tender grapes.

The root of evil is the lust of money, namely one attaches to money. It is the same as the little foxes that spoil the vineyard. The lust of money causes stinginess and greediness.

Stinginess means that one cannot give neither to God nor to those who are in need.

Greediness means that one steals the possession of God and others.

If we are sanctified from evil desire, we can return the possession of God and give to others. When the little foxes are sanctified, our lives will bloom and bear fruits. We receive a great advantage that is the two wings of a great eagle to fly us to the wilderness, far from the eye of antichrist.

Philippians 4:17

4:17 Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account.

Little foxes also refer to tongue that is grumbling, gossiping, slandering, speaking seditious words, up to causing separation. The tongue must be sanctified so we can testify. We must also be sanctified from envy.

o Impurity.

It leads to the sin of eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. This is the boar.

Psalms 80:8,13

80:8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it. 80:13 The boar out of the woods uproots it, And the wild beast of the field devours it.

When sin is kept, there is no glory of God. Instead, ichabod happens. We must be sanctified from impurity sin, so there will be the glory of God.

If we are sanctified from evil and impurity (little fox and boar), we will reap the fruit of Bride holiness. The results are as follows:

- "My Father is the vinedresser". We will be cared directly by the great grace of God. We can live anywhere, anytime, and in any circumtance.
- God will plead us, so we never fall but keep attached to the true vine. Meaning we are always faithful and fervent in spirit in service and ministry until the end line, that is when Jesus comes the second time.

But, there is the last sanctification, namely the grape fruits must be pressed to become wine. It is the same as the sprinkling blood or the suffering in the flesh because of Jesus.

Revelation 14:1-5

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.

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

14:3 They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song Rev. 5:9except 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. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb.

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

The process of pressure depends on each person until there are no more lies. It means to be truthful in everything. This is called as the sweet wine.

Proverbs 15:8

15:8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, But the prayer of the upright is His delight.

The prayer of the upright person is His delight. We become the house of prayer, meaning we worship God with broken heart and faithful words up to speak with other tongues. Therefore God will answer all of our prayers and miracles will happen for us

Mark 7:27-30

7:27 But Jesus said to her, "Let the children be filled first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

7:28 And she answered and said to Him, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the children's

crumbs."

7:29 Then He said to her, "For this saying go your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter."

7:30 And when she had come to her house, she found the demon gone out, and her daughter lying on the bed.

The child was in stress, anxiety, and not in peace. She faced the destruction in marriage and children as well as sins up to the peak These things happened because her tongue licked vomit. But, if we are willingly sanctified until our tongue can eat the crumbs or say faithful words, Jesus will restore everything.

Mark 5:25-28

5:25 Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years,

5:26 and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse.

5:27 When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment.

5:28 For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well."

This woman faced physical problems such as disease, economy problem, *et cetera*. Why did these things happen? These things happened because she hoped on something in this world like wealth, cleverness, others' position, *et cetera*. But, through saying the faithful words "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well.", miracle happened, meaning the impossible problems become possible.

It continues until Jesus comes a second time that we no longer say any false words. We worship God with "Hallelujah" up to the glorious clouds and sit with Him at the throne of Heaven forever.

God blesses us.