

# General Service in Malang, February 28, 2016 (Sunday Morning)

## To Coincide with Priests and Priests to be Upgrading Service IV

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

Revelation 3:14-22 is about the church of the Laodiceans that illustrates the church in the last days.

### **Revelation 3:21-22**

*3:21 To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.*

*3:22 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.""*

The main and last aim of our following to Jesus is until we sit together with Him on the throne of Heaven forever.

The requirement is we must overcome together with Jesus.

Who overcomes with Jesus?

### **Revelation 17:14**

*17:14 These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful."*

It is one who is called (justified and saved by the blood of Jesus), chosen (sanctified to be equipped with the ministry or appointed as the priests and kings), and faithful in the ministry entrusted by God until the end line.

There are four levels of the faithfulness of a priest as follows.

1. Being faithful and right.

#### **Isaiah 11:5**

*11:5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.*

It means we minister God with faithfulness and living in righteousness. Everything must be right. Ministry must be right, as well as study, work, and marriage must be right. We must also hold fast the true teaching Word.

Ministering with faithfulness and righteousness equals to wearing the belt, so we are always ready.

#### **Luke 17:7-8**

*17:7 And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat'?*

*17:8 But will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'?*

If we minister God with faithfulness and righteousness, we are preparing the supper of Jesus as the High Priest and King of kings. It equals to pleasing the heart of God, and thus the results are as follows.

- Our matter is the matter of God. He decides our life.
- We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain.

#### **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 have the ornaments of the bride, and we are ready to become His bride.

#### **Jeremiah 2:32**

*2:32 Can a virgin forget her ornaments, Or a bride her attire? Yet My people have forgotten Me days without number.*

2. Being faithful and good.

#### **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 means as follows.

- Ministering God with good conscience.

**Hebrews 13:18**

*13:18 Pray for us; for we are confident that we have a good conscience, in all things desiring to live honorably.*

Good conscience decides good life.

Good conscience has no intention; even it is willing to sacrifice everything for spiritual matters.

- Ministering God with faithfulness and good words.

**Ephesians 4:29**

*4:29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.*

Good words mean there are no lies, gossips, and slanders. We must say good and right words, words that bless the others and do not harm them.

- Ministering God with faithfulness and good deeds.

**Romans 12:17**

*12:17 Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men.*

Good deeds mean being fond of giving for the works of God and the others who are in need, and not repaying evil with evil but with goodness.

**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.'*

The result is God gives great things as follows.

- Two wings of a great eagle to evacuate us to the wilderness far from the eyes of antichrist. Bible Study Service with Holy Communion is our evacuation exercise.

- The garments of the bride.

**Revelation 19:8**

*19:8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.*

All our deeds and words will be accumulated as the garments of the bride.

- Experiencing the joy of the bride or the Heavenly joy that increases until we enter the marriage supper of the lamb.

**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.'*

3. Being faithful and wise.

**Luke 12:41-44**

*12:41 Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?"*

*12:42 And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season?"*

*12:43 Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes.*

*12:44 Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has.*

Being faithful and wise is related to spiritual food.

Starting from a pastor must be faithful and wise to give the true food to the sheep, that is the shepherding Word.

The sheep must also be faithful and wise to enjoy the shepherding Word in the shepherding pen, so they grow to spiritual maturity or perfection in God.

If the pastor and the congregation are faithful and wise in the matter of spiritual food, we will be used in the inter-

shepherding fellowship.

If a pastor is not faithful and wise, meaning being unwilling to feed the sheep, he is actually Satan that transforms as an angel. He is a thief and robber.

If the sheep are not faithful and wise, meaning being unwilling to eat the shepherding Word, the consequence is being hungry and unsatisfied, grumbling, and gossiping. If it is continued, they will be fainting and half-dead. The sheep will look for the other food outside the pen, so they are poisoned until die spiritually.

### **1 Corinthians 5:8**

*5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*

Being wise also means knowing the boundary, knowing which one is sincere and true.

Starting from our words must be limited with sincerity and truth, as well as our deeds and society.

Sincerity and truth are the boundary of the kingdom of Heaven. If one steps outside the boundary, he will fall.

### **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:*

Being wise is hearing and obeying the true teaching Word.

### **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,*

### **Luke 12:44**

*12:44 Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has.*

If we are faithful and wise, the result is God will make us ruler over all that He has. We can return the belonging of God (the tithe and special offering). We can minister until worship Him. It is until we become the Heavenly bride.

#### 4. Being faithful and fervent in spirit.

### **Romans 12:11**

*12:11 not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;*

No matter how great a flesh man is, he is easily getting withered and lax, even leaving the ministry. Therefore, we need Holy Spirit.

### **Acts 2:1,3-4**

*2:1 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.*

*2:3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.*

*2:4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

### **Romans 15:16**

*15:16 that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.*

The tongue of fire of Holy Spirit is able to burn the Gentiles as the dog and swine, so we become a fragrant offering to God.

The tongue of fire of Holy Spirit makes us faithful and fervent in spirit in ministering God until the end line.

### **2 Kings 6:14-17**

*6:14 Therefore he sent horses and chariots and a great army there, and they came by night and surrounded the city.*

*6:15 And when the servant of the man of God arose early and went out, there was an army, surrounding the city with horses and chariots. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?"*

*6:16 So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them."*

*6:17 And Elisha prayed, and said, "Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.*

The tongue of fire of Holy Spirit protects and cares us up to the days of antichrist. We live in safety, calmness, and peace. We win over all impossible problems.

The tongue of fire of Holy Spirit renews our life so we can say right words, testify, and worship God. When Jesus comes a second time, we do not stumble in words anymore, we only cry out "Alleluia".

God blesses us.