

General Service in Malang, January 13, 2025 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 22:7-19 is about the seven warnings, rebukes, or advice for the Church on the last days to become as perfect as Jesus is.

1. Verse 7, the warning that is related to the joy.
2. Verse 8-9, the warning that is related to the honor and worship.
3. Verse 10, the warning about not to seal the prophetic word because the time is at hand.

Revelation 22:10

22:10 And he said to me, "Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand."

The time is at hand. It means as follows:

1. Jesus will come a second time soon.
2. The judgment of God to the world will happen soon.

Proverbs 29:18

29:18 Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; But happy is he who keeps the law.

If the Word is sealed, there will be no revelation and the congregation will be wild or rebellious.

Mark 5:1-5

5:1 Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes.

5:2 And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

5:3 who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains,

5:4 because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him.

5:5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones.

The demon-possessed was in the tomb or the place where there is the lengthening of the hands of the death. It means always being threatened by the death. The facts found in it are as follows:

1. **Not being faithful until leaving the service and ministry to God.**

Isaiah 22:15-19

22:15 Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts: "Go, proceed to this steward, To Shebna, who is over the house, and say:

22:16 'What have you here, and whom have you here, That you have hewn a sepulcher here, As he who hews himself a sepulcher on high, Who carves a tomb for himself in a rock?

22:17 Indeed, the LORD will throw you away violently, O mighty man, And will surely seize you.

22:18 He will surely turn violently and toss you like a ball Into a large country; There you shall die, and there your glorious chariots Shall be the shame of your master's house.

22:19 So I will drive you out of your office, And from your position he will pull you down.

Serving and ministering to God is the same as working in the palace of heavenly kingdom. There is guarantee of the assurance of preservation and joy up to the eternal life.

Digging the tomb is the same as looking for the worldly things until being unfaithful and leaving the service and ministry to God. It is the same as useless thing and suicide. His life becomes like a ball which is played by Satan. The ministry is taken by others and he never returns to the ministry. He never goes back to the heavenly kingdom. It means everlasting perdition like Judas who was replaced by Matthias.

Therefore, we must keep the ministry or the beautiful tunic that is the mercy and trust of God until the end line.

2. **Murmuring in the service and ministry to God because of insisting the right.**

Numbers 16:8-11

16:8 Then Moses said to Korah, "Hear now, you sons of Levi:

16:9 "Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to serve them;
 16:10 "and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also?
 16:11 "Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the LORD. And what is Aaron that you complain against him?"

Insisting the physical wage, position, praise, and honor is the same as the ministry which is without love. It is full of gossiping, provoking, and making rebellion.

Numbers 16:31-32

16:31 Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them,
 16:32 and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all their goods.

It means digging the mass tomb until perishing in the hell.

We must take the example of Jesus, namely ministering to God with love.

Luke 17:7-10

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'?
 17:9 "Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not.
 17:10 "So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'"

The signs of the ministry in love are as follows:

- Ministering **without any right**, but only doing the duty.
- Wearing the belt of **righteousness and faithfulness**.

Isaiah 11:5

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

It means being anointed by Holy Spirit.

Isaiah 11:2

11:2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD.

It is the same as giving food and drink to Jesus or satisfying the Lord.

The results are as follows:

- We are satisfied by God with the satisfaction of heaven. We always give thanks. We do not murmur, but testify and worship God. We do not need to look for the satisfaction in the world or the satisfaction in the world is not brought into the church, so we do not fall in the sins of Babylon, but keep on serving and ministering to God in holiness. On the last days, the church only pays attention to the worldly things, without the true ordination and faithfulness. Consequently, there is no satisfaction, but the fall in the sins of Babylon. There is no glory of God, but perdition.
- The matter of eating and drinking is God's business. He is responsible for our life.

3. Not being shepherded.

Numbers 11:4-6

11:4 Now the mixed multitude who were among them yielded to intense craving; so the children of Israel also wept again and said: "Who will give us meat to eat?
 11:5 "We remember the fish which we ate freely in Egypt, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic;

11:6 "but now our whole being is dried up; there is nothing at all except this manna before our eyes!"

Being wild or not shepherded means as follows:

- Not persevering in the shepherding pen.
- Getting bored until rejecting manna or the shepherding Word because of fulfilling the fleshly will.

Psalm 78:23-25

78:23 Yet He had commanded the clouds above, And opened the doors of heaven,
78:24 Had rained down manna on them to eat, And given them of the bread of heaven.
78:25 Men ate angels' food; He sent them food to the full.

There is only one food to go to Canaan, namely manna or the bread of angel.
There is only one food to go to heavenly kingdom, namely the Shepherding Word.

Numbers 11:33-35

11:33 But while the meat was still between their teeth, before it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was aroused against the people, and the LORD struck the people with a very great plague.
11:34 So he called the name of that place Kibroth Hattaavah, because there they buried the people who had yielded to craving.
11:35 From Kibroth Hattaavah the people moved to Hazeroth, and camped at Hazeroth.

Rejecting the Shepherding Word, one will enter the tomb of craving. Getting the meat, he cannot enjoy it.

Therefore, the church truly needs the revelation of the Word or the shepherding Word so that the church does not enter her own tomb, the mass tomb, and the tomb of craving up to the perdition in the hell. We are insisted to enter the tomb of the Lord or the true water baptism.

Romans 6:4

6:4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

As a result, the heavens are opened and we receive the new or heavenly life, namely the good conscience or obedient heart.

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,

Matthew 7:21

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.

Being obedient is the same as opening the doors in the world; even the door of heaven is opened also.

The examples and results are as follows:

1. The submission in marriage.

Sarah was barren and in menopause, so it was impossible for her to have a child. It refers to a permanent weakness.

Nevertheless, Sarah was obedient, so the impossible thing was removed, and the marriage could be happy.

2. The submission in shepherding (to the servant of God).

1 Kings 17:12-13, 15-16

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.

*17:15 So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days.
17:16 The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke by Elijah.*

Facing the crises up to the peak in the time when the Antichrist reigns over the world, we must prepare a handful of flour. It means hearing and obeying the Word. As a result, God preserves our life in the midst of the difficulties in the world.

1 Kings 17:17,24

*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.
17:24 Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now by this I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is the truth."*

God lets us get the increasing temptation in our life until the impossible things happen so that our submission to the Word can increase.

1 Kings 17:21-22

*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."
17:22 Then the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came back to him, and he revived.*

Persevering in the three main services in the shepherding, the dead will be raised and impossible things can be made possible.

God blesses you.