

General Service in Malang, July 20, 2014 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 1:16

1:16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

One of the signs of the appearance of Jesus in glory as the Heavenly Bridegroom is His countenance shines like the sun shining in its strength.

Matthew 17:1-2

*17:1 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;
17:2 and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.*

We can see the countenance of Jesus that shines like the sun shining in its strength in worship prayer, so we experience life renewal from flesh man to become spiritual one as Jesus. Life renewal is started from the countenance. It equals to renewal of five senses.

John 10:22

10:22 Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter.

The Feast of Dedication means the building or renovation of the house of God is finished. It happens on the winter. It refers to the love that grows cold and lawlessness that abounds.

Matthew 24:12

24:12 And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold.

When lawlessness abounds as the days of Noah and Lot, that is men live in sins up to the peak of sins (sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage), God wants the building or renovation of His house will have been finished. Spiritually, God wants the building of the perfect body of Christ will have been finished.

The building or renovation of the house of God equals to the building of the perfect body of Christ. It also equals to the renewal of five senses. The practices are as follows.

1. Renewal of the skin or touch sense.

John 10:24-26

10:24 Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."

10:25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me."

10:26 But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you.

It is the renewal from doubt. There are two types of doubt that attack the servant of God as follows.

- a. Doubt to the true teaching Word because of being driven and tossed by other teaching.
- b. Doubt to the power of God because of being driven and tossed by the wind of temptation and impossible problems so one puts his hope to other people.

James 1:6-8

1:6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

1:7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;

1:8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

If one doubts, the consequence is not receiving anything from God, experiencing total failure, being dry spiritually and not shepherded. If it is continued, his faith will fail and he will be destroyed forever.

Renewal of touch sense or the skin is believing and having faith to Jesus. It equals to holding fast the true teaching Word that has become our life experience. We believe and sure that His power is able to erase impossibilities, so we only fully

surrender to God. We become the shepherded sheep. We are in quietness and peace in the middle of this world as the wave of the sea.

2. Renewal of the ears.

John 10:27-28

10:27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

10:28 And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

We can hear and obey the true shepherding Word or Jesus's word, so we become shepherded sheep.

The results are as follows.

- a. The hands of Great Shepherd give certain guarantee to care our present and future life, up to eternal life forever.
- b. The hands of Great Shepherd give certain guarantee to deliver victory over enemies and to solve all problems even the impossible ones.

3. Renewal of the nose.

John 10:31

10:31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him.

The nose is used for breathing, meaning praying and worshiping God.

One who does not worship God does not experience flesh suffering. He is still a flesh man who lifts up his hands to stone God and the others. He only uses self-truth, meaning covering sins by blaming God and the others. It equals to smelling bad aroma and causing noise. At the end, he will be in the hand of Satan as Judas.

Worshiping is stretching out both our hands to God, fully surrendering to Him. It is started from surrendering our sin to God and the others. If we are forgiven, we must not repeat it anymore. Until we can love God and the others even our enemies. Thus, we will have a peaceful heart and everything will be easy and light.

4. Renewal of the eyes.

John 10:32

10:32 Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?"

Do not see the others' fault. Let us see only the work of God or the ministry.

John 4:35-36

4:35 Do you not say, "There are still four months and then comes the harvest"? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!

4:36 And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.

There are two types of work in the field of God that we must look at as follows.

a. Sowing.

It is the revival of Holy Spirit in the first rain or revival in gospel Word that preaches Jesus' first coming to the world to die on the cross and save sinful men.

Sowing activity equals to calling sinful lives to believe Jesus and be saved. Thus, they can live in righteousness.

b. Reaping.

It is the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain or revival in teaching Word. It preaches Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds in glory as the King of kings and Heavenly Bridegroom, to choose saved lives to be sanctified up to perfection and enter the building of the perfect body of Christ.

We must be watchful so we are not egoistic, since it means not appreciating the sacrifice of Christ. If one does not want to enter the reaping of the wheat, he will enter the reaping of the vine or the judgment of God.

Revelation 14:17-20

14:17 Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth,

for her grapes are fully ripe.â

14:19 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

14:20 And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs.

5. Renewal of the lip.

John 10:36

10:36 do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, âYou are blaspheming,â because I said, âI am the Son of Godâ?

Renewals of the lip are as follows.

- a. Confessing Jesus as Messiah, the living Son of God, the King of kings, the Heavenly Bridegroom.
It means our lip produces right, good, and honest words, and the words that bless the others. We can talk anywhere, but our words must be right, good, honest, and become blessing to the others.
- b. Worshiping Jesus as the King of kings and Heavenly Bridegroom with the word âAlleluiaâ.

Matthew 16:18-19

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.

16:19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.â

We will be glad and built on the rock. We will not be doubtful and cannot be shaken. We keep following God until the end line, until Jesus' second coming and until forever.

We will also get the key of the Kingdom of Heaven. If the door of Heaven is opened, all the doors in this world will be opened.

James 3:2

3:2 For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.

At last, we do not stumble in word anymore. It means the building of the perfect body of Christ is finished.

1 Kings 9:1-3

9:1 And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished building the house of the Lord and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he wanted to do,

9:2 that the Lord appeared to Solomon the second time, as He had appeared to him at Gibeon.

9:3 And the Lord said to him: âI have heard your prayer and your supplication that you have made before Me; I have consecrated this house which you have built to put My name there forever, and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually.

If the building of the house of the Lord is finished or if we experience renewal of our five senses, we will be able to accept the glory of God in three manifestations as follows.

1. The eyes of God, meaning He always cares and pays attention to us.
God always struggles to care and protect us in the difficult days. Physically, we are protected from all distress. Spiritually, we are protected from all sins so we can live in righteousness and holiness. God protects us until the day of antichrist reigning over the world for three years and a half.
2. The love of God is within us to warm and bring happiness to us. Thus, we will not be disobedient within marriage and to God.
God's love strengthens us so we are never disappointed or desperate. We are also never proud of something in this world. We keep giving thanks and fully surrendering to God.
God's love unites and perfects us [Colossians 3:14].
3. The name of God is within us.
It is the power to make miracles. Spiritual miracle is life renewal from flesh man to spiritual one as Jesus. It is started with confessing our sins and failures. If we are forgiven, we must not repeat the sins anymore. If spiritual miracle happens, the physical one will also follow. When we cry out the name of Jesus, the impossible things will be made possible.

Acts 3:2,5-6

3:2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple;

3:5 So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them.

3:6 Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

Luke 23:40-43

23:40 But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation?"

23:41 And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong."

23:42 Then he said to Jesus, "Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."

23:43 And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

The criminal, who is crucified beside Jesus, has bad physical and spiritual life. He is in failure, fear, sadness, and will be destroyed forever. But because he becomes tender, God renews him. It is started with confessing the sins. Thus, the power of the name of Jesus removes the failures and badness to the ambience of Paradise. When Jesus comes a second time, we will be renewed as glorious as Him.

God blesses us.