

General Service in Malang, June 06, 2021 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 13:5-6

13:5 And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months.

13:6 Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven.

Verse 1-2 refers to the appearance of the Antichrist that is like the beast coming out of the sea or the combination of four beasts.

Verse 3-4 refers to the sign of the Antichrist, namely neither being dead nor risen, being severely wounded but healed, and the false resurrection.

Verse 5-7 refers to the condition of the Antichrist, namely the mouth is full of lies and blasphemies. He blasphemes God from now on until someday for three and a half years.

1 John 5:19

5:19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies under the sway of the wicked one.

This world is the throne of Satan, the Antichrist, or darkness, so men blaspheme God bravely from now on in the world until someday for three and a half years and the perdition in the hell forever or the outer darkness.

Genesis 2:8-9

2:8 The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed.

2:9 And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Therefore, actually God would have not placed men on earth. God made the Garden of Eden as the dwelling place of men He had created.

They were preserved by Him abundantly until always giving thanks to Him.

Genesis 2:10-14

2:10 Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads.

2:11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.

2:12 And the gold of that land is good. Bdellium and the onyx stone are there.

2:13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which goes around the whole land of Cush.

2:14 The name of the third river is Hiddekel; it is the one which goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river is the Euphrates.

There were four rivers in the Garden of Eden that refer to the stream of the river of the living water bringing to the eternal life. The number four refers to the four gospels that bring us to the eternal satisfaction and joy. As long as we live in the satisfaction, our mouth will not grumble, lie, nor blaspheme, and so on. The spirituality is never dry and we can always give thanks to God.

Nevertheless, the men were tempted by the serpent or Satan and fell in sin, so they were driven out by God and cast to the world.

The door of Paradise was guarded with the flaming sword.

Genesis 3:23-24

3:23 therefore the LORD God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.

3:24 So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

The Antichrist tries to gather men as many as possible in the world for boasting in the physical things while the spirituality is full of sins. The mouth is full of lies and blasphemies.

Revelation 16:20-21

16:20 Then every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

16:21 And great hail from heaven fell upon men, each hailstone about the weight of a talent. Men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great.

Consequently, the world is punished with the plague of the hail and fire up to the doomsday and everlasting perdition in the hell.

Luke 23:33-35,43

23:33 And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left.

23:34 Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do." And they divided His garments and cast lots.

23:35 And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God."

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

Actually, Jesus does not want that we must become the same as the Antichrist and perish. Jesus as the Head willingly dies on the cross for making the stream of the river of the living water flow from heaven through the four gospels, namely the remission of sin for saving the sinful, so they are not punished and destroyed.

Verse 43: The men are not punished; even the door of paradise is opened by the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross so that they can return to Paradise.

Our mouth while we are living in the world determines it. If our mouth is good, we will return to paradise. On the contrary, if the mouth is like the Antichrist's that is full of blasphemies, one will go down to the hell.

While Jesus wanted to help, many people, leaders, and the criminal that had been crucified mocked at Him. It refers to the hardness of the heart of men. The criminal who was crucified near Jesus also did not use the opportunity for receiving the flow of the river of the living water. The mouth was opened for despising, mocking, or ridiculing the true.

Be careful! Men tend to mock the true and plead the false.

Blaspheming Jesus is the same as blaspheming the true teaching Word. Only a criminal received the flow of the river of the living water from among many people who were blaspheming Jesus. The sacrifice of Jesus was not in vain because a man could receive Him although from among many people who rejected. Many are called, but few are chosen.

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 received Jesus could experience the remission of sins and be saved. He could worship Jesus as the King of all kings. Such transgressor could return to Paradise. Thus, the church has the great hope for returning to paradise. There is no reason of not returning to Paradise. One cannot return to Paradise because of his own mistake, namely the hardness of heart that rejects the flow of the living water.

The process of salvation is believing Jesus, repenting, and being baptized of water and Holy Spirit to receive the heavenly life in righteousness.

The time we hear the Word will determine whether we can return to Paradise or not. We must make effort.

Revelation 19:6-7

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!"

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."

The Antichrist tries to gather many people for blaspheming God.

The Lord gathers many people, both the Israelites and the Gentiles, for worshiping Jesus by saying "Alleluia" or the confession that Jesus is the King who will come a second time. We worship Jesus from now on in the world up to the heavenly kingdom forever.

We must endure in the righteousness although it is painful now. Someday, all men will surely confess "This man has done nothing wrong!" Moreover, God will also confess it.

In the worship which is like the sound of many waters, there is the voice of the worship of the criminal who was saved and forgiven by Jesus as well as the worship of our beloved who has passed away or died in Jesus. We must also be ensured that our voice of worship will be there too.

There are two revivals, namely blaspheming and worshiping.

As long as we hear the true teaching Word, our mouth must be in line with the revival of worship.

In Matthew 15, God wants to return us to the first creation with His image and pattern, so we can return to paradise, both the Israelites (verse 1-20) and the Gentiles (verse 21-28) as well as the crossbreed (starting from verse 29).

The process in the daily life is as follows:

1. In Matthew 15:1-20, returning to Paradise is the same as **returning to the Word, God's commandment, or the Bible, not the rule of man and tradition.** A pastor or God's servant first must return to the Bible or the true teaching Word.

There are two kinds of the preaching of the Word in the service to God as follows:

- The preaching of the Word which is not based on the Bible. It means that the Bible is added with the joke and knowledge, or taken away. It is mixed with the tradition that is logical, so it is only received by the logic of man to become the knowledge. The Word cannot be faith in the heart, but only reaches the logic. Such condition makes the servant of God arrogant like the Antichrist that only magnifies the physical things, blames at the righteous, or uses the self-truth. Such life does not experience the sanctification and renewal of life, but keeps hard-hearted and easily stumbles as well as becomes the stumbling-block for others.

Matthew 15:12-13

15:12 Then His disciples came and said to Him, "Do You know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this saying?"

15:13 But He answered and said, "Every plant which My heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted."

Revelation 18:21

18:21 Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore."

Such life only builds Babylon, becomes the stumbling-block, and will be drowned.

- The preaching of the Word which is based on the Bible or the true teaching Word that brings us to the true ordination.

The sign of the true teaching Word is being written in the Bible and being spoken or revealed by Jesus. It refers to the revelation, not being mixed with the knowledge.

John 15:3

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

We must hope the help of Holy Spirit that we can hear and understand the true teaching Word, so we can do the introspection in our life. Finding mistake, quickly confess it and do not repeat it! The Word can be faith in our heart and deeds. We can obey the Word in our daily life.

Jeremiah 15:16

15:16 Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts."

As a result, we can enjoy the atmosphere of Paradise in the midst of the curses in the world.

Matthew 15:18-19

15:18 "But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man."

15:19 "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies."

The Word sanctifies us from the seven darkness of the unclean and bitter spirit that causes the dark life or the quenched lamp. If the heart keeps the seven dark things, one will enter the bottomless pit.

Nevertheless, if our heart is sanctified by the power of the true teaching Word, our lamp will be burning and we will never fall. We can be the witness of God and reach the perfection.

2. In Matthew 15:21-28, returning to Paradise is the same as **returning to the true shepherding for getting the image and example of the Trinity of God anymore.**

Matthew 15:21-28

15:21 Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon."

15:22 And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed."

15:23 But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us."

15:24 But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

15:25 Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!"

15:26 But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

15:27 And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table."

15:28 Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

Actually, the sheep of God belong to the natives of Israel only, while the Gentiles are only the dog. Nevertheless, a part of Israel has rejected the true teaching Word, kept the knowledge and tradition, as well as added and taken away the Word, so they are lost and the chance is opened for the Gentiles.

It is important to commit the Bible Study Service with the Holy Communion, so the dog can slowly be changed to be the sheep of God.

After that, we must be shepherded well and correctly as follows:

- Only hearing and obeying the true teaching Word which is repeated by a pastor.
- Always persevering in the sheepfold or committing the three main services to God. We always eat the crumbs of the true teaching Word until we firmly become the sheep of God.

We persevere in the shepherding until we reach the eternal life forever.

The true teaching Word leads us to enter the true sheepfold for sure. Being outside the sheepfold, one will surely return to be the dog and swine or in the paganism.

In the shepherding, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the Trinity of God, so Satan cannot control our life anymore.

Mark 7:30

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

We get the continuous sanctification to our heart, words, deeds, and whole life until we can speak the righteous, good, and honest words.

Ecclesiastes 7:29

7:29 Truly, this only I have found: That God made man upright, But they have sought out many schemes."

Being honest is the same as becoming the house of prayer. All destroyed things in the marriage and children can be fixed.

3. In Matthew 15:29-31, returning to Paradise is the same as returning to the true worship or position.

Matthew 15:29-31,35

15:29 Jesus departed from there, skirted the Sea of Galilee, and went up on the mountain and sat down there.

15:30 Then great multitudes came to Him, having with them the lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others; and they laid them down at Jesus' feet, and He healed them.

15:31 So the multitude marveled when they saw the mute speaking, the maimed made whole, the lame walking, and the blind seeing; and they glorified the God of Israel.

15:35 So He commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground.

If we return to the true teaching Word until we become the light of the world and return to the true shepherding or become the first creation or the house of prayer, we can return to God and sit at the feet of Jesus or on the ground.

It means confessing that we are only the clay or the man of blood and flesh with many mistakes and weaknesses or we are nothing.

We sit at the feet of Jesus. It means placing Jesus as the Head, the King of all kings, or the Heavenly Bridegroom who will come a second time.

The results are as follows:

- The power of healing from all diseases.

- The power for erasing impossibilities.
- The power of abundant preservation in the midst of difficulties and impossibilities in the world up to the days when the Antichrist reigns over the world (Jesus fed the four thousand people with seven loaves).
- The power of sanctification and renewal until we are perfect or do not stumble in words. We only worship God, saying "Alleluia".

If the dumb and deaf spirit can be healed, all things will be good and we become the first creation.

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.

The power of God cannot be limited by the distance and time or anything because He is the Shepherd who is full of power and love. His power of sanctification is also able to make us perfect to enter the New Jerusalem forever.

God blesses you.