

General Service in Malang, June 23, 2024 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 21:23

21:23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

The New Jerusalem city does not need the physical sun and moon because the glory of God illuminates it.

1 Corinthians 15:41

15:41 There is one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differs from another star in glory.

It means as follows:

1. The glory of sun refers to the glory in the love of Father God.
2. The glory of moon refers to the glory in the redemption by the Son of God.
3. The glory of stars refers to the glory in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

It is the same as the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thus, the Church in the world must live in the glory of the Trinity of God as follows:

1. The glory of sun or the love of father God.

The facts found in it are as follows:

- Loving God more than anything or obeying all commandments of God regardless of anything which must be sacrificed.
- Loving others until loving enemy or only doing good deeds until repaying good for evil. We do not harm others.

2. The glory of moon or redemption which is done by the Son of God.

The fact found in it is experiencing the redemption or deliverance from sins up to the peak, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. We live in righteousness and holiness.

3. The glory of stars or the anointing of Holy Spirit.

The facts found in it is [Romans 12:11] faithfulness and fervency in spirit in the service and ministry until the end line. It is the same as the stars in the right hand of God that never fall until forever.

Why must the Church live in the light of God's glory or the love, holiness, and faithfulness?

Luke 21:25-26

21:25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring;

21:26 "men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

Mark 13:24-25

13:24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light;

13:25 "the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

It is because someday the light of God's glory or the sun, moon, and stars does not work anymore in the world until darkness and shaking happen in all aspects such as economy, marriage, health, study, and so on.

Acts 27:20

27:20 Now when neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest beat on us, all hope that we would be saved was finally given up.

The storm of death happens in the sea of the world, namely the bodily death because of natural disaster, accident, and so on, the spiritual death because of sins up to the peak, false teachings, and gossips, as well as the second death or everlasting perdition in the hell forever.

Only the light of God's glory is able to defeat the storm of death in the sea of the world.

The glory of God helps the church in the storm of death as follows:

1. The glory of God helps the church in facing the dead-end.

Exodus14:15-18

14:15 And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.

14:16 "But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

14:17 "And I indeed will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them. So I will gain honor over Pharaoh and over all his army, his chariots, and his horsemen.

14:18 "Then the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gained honor for Myself over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen."

The Israelites faced the sea in front them, Pharaoh and the army behind them, and the wilderness at the right and left side until they should have died or experienced the bodily death.

We must stretch out our hands to God.

John21:15,17-19

21:15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs."

21:17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep.

21:18 "Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish."

21:19 This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me."

Being old refers to being shepherded or mature spiritually.

The requirement to stretch out the hand to God is being shepherded well and correctly, always dwelling in the sheepfold, or having the perseverance in committing the three main services to God.

We get the sanctification from the flesh with all of its desires, so we can stretch out our hands to God or obey His will although it is not in line to the fleshly will. It means fully surrendering to or worshiping God.

Exodus14:21

14:21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided.

As a result, God stretches out His hands of glory to us in the form of the east wind or the power of Holy Spirit that works to create the way in the sea.

The results are as follows:

- Holy Spirit is able to preserve our physical life in the midst of difficulties or impossibilities in the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. We are evacuated to the wilderness and preserved by the Word and Holy Communion.
- Holy Spirit is able to give us solution of all impossible problems in our life.
- Holy Spirit gives us the beautiful successful future life.

Holy Spirit gives the gifts and ministry, so we are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain for the edification of the perfect Christ's body.

Working with the gifts of Holy Spirit, the hard work of God will be easy. On the contrary, working with the flesh, the easy work of God will be hard.

The greater the storm that attacks, our life will be used by God more, so our life becomes more beautiful. Therefore, let us use the lengthening of our age from God to serve to Him, stretch out our hands and surrender fully to Him.

2. **The glory of God is able to face Lazarus who has died for four days or spiritual death and rottenness.**

John11:39-40

11:39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days."

11:40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?"

2 Peter3:8

3:8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

One day is the same one thousand years. Thus, four days refer to four thousand years.

- In the two thousand years from the age of Adam to Abraham, there was no Law of God, but only command and prohibition. Men committed sin and transgressed the prohibition of God until being dead in sin, having no Law of God.
- In the two thousand years from the age of Abraham to Jesus' first coming, men were given the Law of God in order to be alive. Nevertheless, men committed sins again and transgressed the Law until being rotten and gnawed by worms until perishing in the hell.

The worms also gnaw the marriage and children.

- The beginning of the relationship or engagement. If it is signified with uncleanness, it will be sick. If there is sexual intercourse, it becomes dead. If there is no confession, but blaming at others, it becomes rotten.
- During the marriage. If there are quarrels, violence, and sexual affairs, it means being sick. If there is divorce, it is dead. If there is remarrying to others, it is rotten until producing worms and perishing.

John11:32

11:32 Then, when Mary came where Jesus was, and saw Him, she fell down at His feet, saying to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died."

In facing the rottenness, we must kneel at Jesus' feet much more, namely confessing that we are not worthy because of many sins, not able to do anything, but only relying on the mercy of God, worshiping Him with faith or belief, trusting, and entrusting our life fully to Him.

John11:43

11:43 Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth!"

As a result, Lazarus could rise or become the new man with the new way or the way without sin or Satan. We can live in holiness and be used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain.

John12:9-11

12:9 Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead.

12:10 But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also,

12:11 because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus.

We can testify and invite others to hear the true teaching Word. It starts from the family.

The bigger the challenge, the more we are used by God.

3. **The glory of God when Jesus comes a second time for facing the second death or perdition in the hell.**

Matthew24:29-30

24:29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

24:30 "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

The glory of God is for lifting us up from the storm of the sea to the glorious clouds to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb, the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace, and the New Jerusalem.

We must see the Son of Man. It means seeing and talking to the Lord or crying out the name of Jesus.

John9:37-38

9:37 And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you."

9:38 Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

We kneel to worship God much more.

As a result, we get the renewal of life from the fleshly man to the spiritual one like Jesus is.

John9:39-41

9:39 And Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may be made blind."

9:40 Then some of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these words, and said to Him, "Are we blind also?"

9:41 Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you say, 'We see.' Therefore your sin remains.

The blind can see. It means seeing the glory or perfection of God as well as our own mistake and weakness, so there is no opportunity for seeing the mistake of others and using the self-truth. We can be honest and willingly suffer in the flesh for confessing sins to God and others. Being forgiven, do not repeat the sin! The heart become peaceful.

Honesty and peace are the strong foundation for receiving the new way and life from God. It is the way without death or hell.

Hebrews10:19-20

10:19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus,

10:20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh,

There is nothing impossible. God is able to do all things for us until we can be perfect in the light of the sun, moon, and stars or there is no darkness at all and we are worthy for welcoming Jesus' second coming.

The self-truth shuts the new and living way like the criminal who was crucified next to Jesus. He kept on perishing. On the contrary, another criminal could confess the sin until getting the new way to Paradise.

God blesses you.