

General Service in Malang, June 30, 2019 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 9:13-21 is about the sixth trumpet or the sixth condemnation of Son of God to men in the earth, namely a third of mankind in the earth dies in the body, soul, and spirit because of the great war. It means that they cannot return to paradise and enter the New Jerusalem or the eternal heavenly kingdom. It is the same as perishing in hell forever.

Revelation 9:14

9:14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates."

The four angels of war are bound at the great river Euphrates.

The four angels mean as follows:

- Satan.
- Antichrist.
- False prophet with the power of false teachings, sins up to the peak, and mammon which rules the economy of the world.
- A hired man or a false shepherd who is powered by the trinity of Satan, so he does not want to feed the congregation by the true shepherding word and the false teaching enters them. Consequently, the sins up to the peak increase in the congregation.

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*

2:14 *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.*

The river Euphrates is in the garden of Eden or paradise.

The four angels of war were bound at the great river Euphrates. It means that Satan, Antichrist, false prophet including the false shepherd rule the garden of Eden through the false teachings or the spiritual food to hinder men or congregation so that they cannot return to the garden of Eden or paradise.

In the past, Adam and Eve were driven out from Eden because of the matter of food or fruit. Now, the trinity of Satan and false shepherd hinder the congregation to enter Eden also through food. So, men cannot return to paradise and enter the New Jerusalem or the eternal heavenly kingdom, but they perish in the great war and get the condemnation of the sixth trumpet.

So, returning to paradise means returning to the true food.

The true food brings us to return to paradise.

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.*

There are three kinds of the tree of fruits in the garden Eden or the spiritual food as follows:

1. The fruits from all trees which could be eaten freely.

Genesis 2:16

2:16 *And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat.*

The word 'freely' refers to the anointing of Holy Spirit.

The fruits from all trees which could be eaten freely refer to the word of God in the anointing of Holy Spirit. We can hear it freely in the matter of the time and content.

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Golden of Candlestick or the perseverance in doing the General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God.

If we want to eat, hear, and obey the word in General Service, the word of God will become a lamp in our life, marriage, and service to God.

Psalms 119:105

119:105 NUN. Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

The word is a lamp to our feet so that we do not stumble and fall in sins up to the peak, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. We keep on living in righteousness and holiness. We also do not stumble in the calling and choosing in the service and ministry to God. We can be faithful and fervent in spirit until the end line, namely until we pass away or Jesus comes for the second time.

The word of God is a light to our path so that we are not deceived by the false teachings and gossips. Gossip makes ones lose the direction or slip. We keep on holding fast to the true teaching word, so we aim at the city of light or the New Jerusalem.

2. The fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis 2:9

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.

It refers to the word of God that we eat in the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion. In the past, it could not be eaten, but now, it can be eaten because it is added with Holy Communion or the sacrifice of Christ. In the past, it preached the law, but it has fulfilled through the death of Jesus on the cross.

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Table of Showbread or the perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion to get the fellowship with Son of God in the teaching word and sacrifice of Christ.

When we persevere in eating or hearing and obeying the word, it gives us deeper knowledge about Jesus, so we can do things as follows:

- We know Jesus not only as a good Father, healer, *et cetera*. We know Him deeper as the Head, King of all kings, and heavenly Bridegroom. We as the body and heavenly bride cannot be separated from Him forever.
- We know ourselves clearly with all of our weaknesses. So, we surrender more to God.
- We know Satan clearly with all of his trickery, so we cannot be deceived and made fall in sins by him.

Psalms 119:11

119:11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You!

If we know God clearly, the word of God will be a faith which is firmer in our heart.

The proof that the faith is firmer is that it becomes a strong brake, so we do not do sin anymore until we hate it. We can live in holiness until someday we are as holy as Jesus.

3. [Genesis 2:9] The fruit of the tree of life in the midst of the garden.

It refers to the word of God that we eat in the Prayer Service. In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Golden Altar of Incense or the perseverance in doing the Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in His love.

When we persevere in hearing and obeying the word in the Prayer Service, the word is ingrained in our life. So, we experience the spiritual growth until we are mature in spirituality and perfect like Jesus. We can return to paradise, enter the New Jerusalem, and have the eternal life forever.

So, to return to paradise, we must persevere in the shepherding pen and eat the shepherding word. We are shepherded well and correctly.

The sheep that do not want to eat the shepherding word will be eaten by wolf for sure.

If the shepherd does not want to feed the sheep, he will eat them and he himself will be eaten by wolf.

The results of being shepherded well and correctly or persevering in the sheepfold and eating the shepherding word are as follows:

1. There is the physical and spiritual preservation.

Psalms 23:1-2

23:1 <<A Psalm of David.>> The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

23:2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters.

The physical preservation is an abundant one until we can give thanks to God. When we need something, He always provides it and we can be the blessing for other people.

The spiritual preservation means the heavenly joy. We always give thanks, worship God, and become a house of prayer. We do not look for the satisfaction in the world which makes us fall in sins up to the peak anymore.

2. The rod and staff comfort us and give extra power from heaven, so we are not disappointed and hopeless and we do not leave God or the service and ministry, but we keep on ministering to God regardless of any risk that we must face.

Psalms 23:4

23:4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

The rod and staff also refer to the protection from the attack of the four angels of war. We are protected from Satan, Antichrist, false prophet, and false shepherd with every seduction and force. We are also protected from the condemnation of God, so we are safe, peaceful, easy, and light.

3. Leading us to the perfection of the bride, the revival of Holy Spirit at later rain, or the edification of the perfect body of Christ. It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, until Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ.

Song of Solomon 2:16,1-2

2:16 THE SHULAMITE My beloved is mine, and I am his. He feeds his flock among the lilies.

2:1 I am the rose of Sharon, And the lily of the valleys.

2:2 THE BELOVED Like a lily among thorns, So is my love among the daughters.

The lily refers to Jesus in glory as the heavenly Bridegroom. We are also the lily.

The position of the lily is on the valleys. It means as follows:

- The valley of difficulties or the Valley of Achor like Achan who was condemned because he had stolen the possessions of God.

Joshua 7:24-25

7:24 Then Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, the silver, the garment, the wedge of gold, his sons, his daughters, his oxen, his donkeys, his sheep, his tent, and all that he had, and they brought them to the Valley of Achor.

7:25 And Joshua said, "Why have you troubled us? The LORD will trouble you this day." So all Israel stoned him with stones; and they burned them with fire after they had stoned them with stones.

- The valley of dry bones, namely hopelessness and disappointment until one leaves God.
- The valley of darkness or death like David who committed adulteries and kill.
But if there is still the shepherding, there is help. It is the difference between being shepherded or not.
- The valley of thorns, namely the difficulties, sorrow, stress, fear, and worry.

Nevertheless, there is Jesus as the Great Shepherd who was willingly crowned by thorns and flogged until He died on the cross. He went down to the valley of death to lift us up from the valleys.

How can we be lifted from the valleys? We must be quiet and calm.

Isaiah 30:14-16

30:14 And He shall break it like the breaking of the potter's vessel, Which is broken in pieces; He shall not spare. So there shall not be found among its fragments A shard to take fire from the hearth, Or to take water from the cistern."

30:15 For thus says the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel: "In returning and rest you shall be saved; In quietness and confidence shall be your strength." But you would not,

30:16 And you said, "No, for we will flee on horses" --Therefore you shall flee! And, "We will ride on swift horses" -- Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift.

Being quiet means doing the introspection in our life by the sharpness of the word or repenting.

Being calm means stopping sinning, returning to God, and living in righteousness. If we stop sinning, the destruction will stop. We must control ourselves.

Do not hope to other but God, so we can pray. We can be patient to wait His time.

Repenting and praying, we are stretching out our hands to God.

The hand of God is stretched out to lift us up. All of us are lifted from valley or healed. We can live in righteousness and holiness; the great soldiers are used by God. All impossible problems are finished or made successful and beautiful in due time.

John 7:6

7:6 Then Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always ready."

It continuous until Jesus comes for the second time that we are changed to be as perfect as Him to be worthy to welcome His second coming on the glorious clouds.

God blesses you.