

General Service in Malang, May 01, 2011 (Sunday Morning)

CHILD SUBMISSION SERVICE

Isaiah 49:14-16

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49:16 *See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.*

Although there is a woman who may forget her nursing child, God will not forget us.

At the end of the ages, we are facing crisis in every field. The peak is love crisis (the biggest crisis). It is illustrated by a woman who may forget her nursing child.

Crime, sadism, uncleanness will happen during the love crisis. It will be ended with the destruction of Babel forever by God.

Facing the terrible crisis in this world, God tells about baby. It means that we must experience new birth to be able to appear as spiritual babies.

The signs of spiritual babies are as follows:

I Peter 2:1-2

2:1 *Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking,*

2:2 *as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,*

1. **Throwing away the sins, or repenting** from all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking.
2. **Being well shepherded, able to enjoy the shepherding Word** such that we may grow spiritually until the perfection.

The mouth of spiritual baby is only used for testifying, praising, and glorifying God.

If mouth still blames the others (talks the others' fault, degrades the others) frequently, that is the sign of not shepherded life. The example is Judas, who degraded Jesus on his fellowship with the chief priests of the Jews.

If we are repenting and being well shepherded (enjoying the shepherding Word, having good mouth), **our position is in the embrace of God's hands.**

The results are as follows:

1. God's loving hands care and protect us.
There are many tasks of parents for their children in this world (providing education, financial security, etc.), but all of those things will never be enough to face the end of the ages, until the antichrist era.

The main task is bringing children to repent and be well shepherded (enjoy the shepherding Word, have good mouth). It will guarantee our children to be within the embrace of God's hands. They will be cared and protected by God.
It is better to struggle now to bring the children to the church.
2. God's loving hands bear all our life burdens, solve all our problems.
3. God's loving hands wash or purify us until we become perfect and blameless.
4. God's loving hands bring us to enter the New Jerusalem city (the eternal kingdom of Heaven).

GENERAL SERVICE

This year is the year of revival, let no one of us be separated.

Let us support each other in the revival of building the perfect body of Christ!

Matthew 26:7-12

26:7 *a woman came to Him having an alabaster flask of very costly fragrant oil, and she poured it on His head as He sat at the table.*

26:8 *But when His disciples saw it, they were indignant, saying, "Why this waste?"*

26:9 *For this fragrant oil might have been sold for much and given to the poor."*

26:10 *But when Jesus was aware of it, He said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a good work for Me."*

26:11 *For you have the poor with you always, but Me you do not have always.*

26:12 *For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial.*

Human life (clay pot) who is poured and filled with Holy Spirit equals to a woman who poured fragrant oil to Jesus' head or body for

His burial.

- Pouring = a service.
- Jesus' head or body = the body of Christ.
- Burial = the last time in this world.

Thus, **life who is poured and filled with Holy Spirit is life who is used in the ministry of building body of Christ (the perfect body of Christ).**

The practice is **FELLOWSHIP**.

Fellowship in the body of Christ is started within a marriage, a shepherding, between shepherding, until the international body of Christ.

All ministries or revivals in the building body of Christ must agree with the true teaching Word. Do not reject the encouragement from God!

When we are encouraged by the Word (to pray, to sacrifice, or to join a fellowship) but we reject it, sometime we will not be able to serve the building body of Christ.

The term "not able" is horrible, since:

- Spiritually it means as Judas who was changed by Matthias and he could not serve God again.
- Physically it means our body cannot serve God again.

Exodus 35:4-5

35:4 And Moses spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, "This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying:

35:5 'Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze;

In **Old Testament**, the building of Tabernacle was started with sacrificing the own belongings.

In **New Testament**, **the building body of Christ must be accompanied with sacrifices** as a woman who brought very costly fragrant oil.

Everything must be sacrificed for the building body of Christ, except one that is the true teaching Word should not be sacrificed!

Entering a marriage, a shepherding, and fellowship between shepherding should not sacrifice the true teaching Word!

The true teaching Word = the persona of Jesus.

Jesus has been sacrificed once on the cross; do not sacrifice Him once again!

It is better not to marry than to sacrifice the true teaching Word!

What must be sacrificed?

1. Own belongings. It means as follows:

- God is not willing if we have nothing. If we follow God, we will have something.
- God always blesses us.
But we should not be bound to the carnal blessings!
The carnal blessings are money, time, etc.

Be careful! Frequently we can sacrifice everything for physical matters, but we really count for God.

Judas was really counting with God, and the consequence was he was not counted. It equals to entering Babel and being perished forever.

- Such that our offering is marked with the sign of blood (misery), following the pattern of the sacrifice of Christ with the sign of blood.

Do not say that we will serve God if we have been retired, if we have more time, etc.

The difference of the offering of Abel and Cain is Abel's offering has the sign of blood but Cain's offering has no sign of blood.

If we offer the others' belongings (not our own belongings), then there is no sign of blood.
The example is giving to the others, but later it is billed to the church. Be careful!

The offering of own belongings is started from **the tithe and special offering**.

Malachi 3:8

3:8 " Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ' In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings.

Tithe is a confession that we have been blessed by God and we live only by God.

Not offering the tithe means not confessing that we live from God, but from the world (from diploma, earnings from trading, etc). All those things will lead to ruin and perdition.

The base of tithesis truth (a tenth).

Special offering is a benediction that we have been blessed by God.

The base of special offering is willingness.

Through the tithe and special offering, we are used in the service of building body of Christ.

2. Expertise/talent.

Exodus 35:10

35:10 'All who are gifted artisans among you shall come and make all that the LORD has commanded:

If our expertise is not offered to God, it will be used by Babel and will be perished forever.

3. Strength and time.

Exodus 35:25

35:25 All the women who were gifted artisans spun yarn with their hands, and brought what they had spun, of blue, purple, and scarlet, and fine linen.

4. Until offering our whole life to God, as a woman who offered oil at the price of 300 denarii.

The wage of one day working is one denarii. Oil at the price of 300 denarii equals to the wage for one year working. It equals to our whole life.

The year of 2011 is the year of revival. If we join the revival, it **will be ended with the year of miracle.**

Do not be separated!

Let us support each other in the revival of building body of Christ, and we will experience miracles one by one, until the last miracle, that is we will become God's bride who is as perfect as God.

Romans 12:1-2

12:1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

The requirements of offering the body or the whole life are as follows:

- A living body = body which is controlled by the Holy Spirit through the perseverance in General Service (the Golden Candlestick).
Lamp keeps burning means we keep faithful and burning in spirit in the ministry.
If lamp keeps burning, the other two equipments in the Holy Place will be visible.
- A holy body = body which is controlled by the true teaching Word through the perseverance in the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion (the Table of Showbread).
No matter how great we are, we will not become holy without the Word.
- An acceptable body to God = body which is controlled by God's love through the perseverance in the Worship Service (the Golden Altar of Incense).

Thus, our offering to God is **offering of shepherded life**, an acceptable offering to God.

In shepherding, we really know our entire blemish.

Romans 12:2

12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

In shepherding, **we experience the damming or the tearing of the flesh (sprinkling of blood)**, that is suffering without sins such that we experience **renewal of life from flesh human to spiritual human** (the flesh is burnt to become a fragrant smell in God's presence).

If flesh is dammed, we will experience the real independence.

The signs of spiritual human are as follows:

- We can differ which one is God's will (the true teaching Word) and which one is not.
We will not doubt anymore.
- Being obedient.
The example is Abraham who was obedient when God commanded him to offer Isaac.

Remember!

All our sacrifices which become fragrant smell will never be forgotten by God.

Matthew 26:13

26:13 Assuredly, I say to you, wherever this gospel is preached in the whole world, what this woman has done will also be told as a memorial to her."

God always remembers us. God never fools us.

Everything we sacrifice for the building body of Christ, up to the offering of life which has a fragrant smell in the presence of God, will never be in vain.

Our sacrifice and our life will always be remembered by God.

Do not do counting with God!

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God remembers us as the powerless babies.

- God's merciful hands are able to care us up to the antichrist era.
For the people who have high education and richness, do not be proud and depend on it!
For the people who have nothing, do not be pessimistic!
The determinant is whether we become babies who live in the hands of God or not.
- God's merciful hands erase all our tears.
- God's merciful hands take us to beautiful future until entering and passing the wall of New Jerusalem (the last shepherding place).

- **Psalms 144:3-4**

*144:3 LORD, what is man, that You take knowledge of him? Or the son of man, that You are mindful of him?
144:4 Man is like a breath; His days are like a passing shadow.*

God remembers and pays attention to us as He remembered and paid attention to David and his descendants.

God remembers and pays attention to us as winds, in the shadow of death, dishonorable and worthless life.

How far is God's concern?

I Chronicles 28:20

28:20 And David said to his son Solomon, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD God is with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all

the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

Although we are just winds and in the shadow of death, worthless and powerless life are targeted by death, we must keep **STRONG and OF GOOD COURAGE.**

The practices are as follows:

- Keep holding on one true teaching Word.
- Not doing sins.
- Believing and fully surrendering to God, being obedient.

God pays attention to us until all the work for the service of the house of the Lord has been finished. It means as follows:

- God solves all our problems and temptations.
Let us be strong until we really see that God is able to solve all the things.
- God finishes the building body of Christ. It equals to we become as perfect as God, become His bride.

David fell into sin with Bathsheba. Actually, David must lose his kingdom and his soul. If one is commit adultery, he must be executed.

But, since David was in the shepherding, there were still defenses from the Great Shepherd.

The fig tree on the road side did not bear any fruits, and it cut off directly.

But the fig tree in the vineyard (illustration of shepherded life) had defenses from the Shepherd although it has not born any fruit yet.

The hands of the Great Shepherd are able to wash us. But we should not repeat the sins!

David was forgiven and he no longer did any sins.

If one repeats sins (keeps sins), sometime he cannot be washed again and will be perished.

○ **Luke23:41-43**

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."

God remembers and pays attention to us on His second coming, God takes us to enter the eternal New Jerusalem.

This morning, maybe we are in the same situation with the criminal who was crucified beside Jesus. Maybe we are in failures, uncleanness and evil, ruin, and perdition.

God is still able to help us as long as we confess.

If we are reminded and punished in our faults, it means that we are still being lifted up by God.

A criminal who only had few time before being perished was still helped by God, moreover we as God's priests and God's servants.

If God's priests and God's servants live in misery and perdition, it is their own faults!

As long as we confess our faults and do not keep the sins, God is still able to help us.

God blesses us.