

# General Service in Malang, May 23, 2010 (Sunday Morning-Pentecost Day)

## Matthew 25:1,13

25:1 *"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.*

25:13 *"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.*

Church of God (the virgins) must be watchful to be ready in welcoming Jesus' second coming in glory as King of kings, as Heavenly Bridegroom.

What must be kept is our **BURNING LAMP**.

Two requirements to keep our lamp to burn continually are below:

1. [Matthew 25:5-7] Receiving Bride Tidings = the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ.
2. Having oil for supply in the vessel.

## Matthew 25:2-4

25:2 *"Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish.*

25:3 *"Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them,*

25:4 *"but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.*

## ad. 2. Having oil for supply.

Having the oil for supply = being filled with Holy Spirit abundantly.

The Lord pours out the Holy Spirit not little by little but abundantly as the river of living water.

## Revelation 22:1

22:1 *And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.*

## Ezekiel 47:1-5

47:1 *Then he brought me back to the door of the temple; and there was water, flowing from under the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the front of the temple faced east; the water was flowing from under the right side of the temple, south of the altar.*

47:2 *He brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to the outer gateway that faces east; and there was water, running out on the right side.*

47:3 *And when the man went out to the east with the line in his hand, he measured one thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the water came up to my ankles.*

47:4 *Again he measured one thousand and brought me through the waters; the water came up to my knees. Again he measured one thousand and brought me through; the water came up to my waist.*

47:5 *Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross; for the water was too deep, water in which one must swim, a river that could not be crossed.*

The process of Holy Spirit's being filled in our lives abundantly = the process to have the oil for supply as follows:

1. **[Ezekiel 47:3] Holy Spirit comes up to the ankle.**

Meaning Holy Spirit strengthens our faith so we can stand firmly, immovable, and not be spiritual lame.

There was a lame man in the gate of the temple. Do not suppose you have already served the Lord but actually you are lame.

## Acts 3:1-8

3:1 *Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.*

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;*

3:3 *who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms.*

3:4 *And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us."*

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."*

3:7 *And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.*

3:8 *So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them--walking, leaping, and praising God.*

Spiritual lameness = the foot and the ankle are unsteady = unsteady faith.

Meaning as follows:

1. Following Jesus but only for seeking physical matters (begging).
2. Being unsteady, doubtful when facing temptations.

One sign of the spiritual lameness is being hindered many times in committing service and ministry.

### **1 Corinthians 15:19**

*15:19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.*

Relying on physical matters in life, one is of all men the most pitiable, unhappy without any beautiful thing in life.

### **1 Peter 1:6-7**

*1:6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,*

*1:7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,*

Holy Spirit will make our faith firm until we become tested in facing temptations and our faith becomes a perfect faith, we are worthy to welcome Jesus' second coming.

### **2. [Ezekiel 47:4a] Holy Spirit comes up to the knee.**

Meaning Holy Spirit makes us kneel down to become meek and humble.

### **Acts 7:60**

*7:60 Then he kneled down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.*

Meekness = an ability to forgive the sins of other people as well as to forgive them. Being stoned by other people, we have to become meek.

Humbleness = an ability to confess sins uprightly, not repeating the sins after being forgiven. Repeating sins means cancelling the forgiveness and making the judgment come.

### **2 Peter 3:9**

*3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.*

### **3. [Ezekiel 47:4b] Holy Spirit comes up to the waist.**

There is womb in the waist of a woman.

Holy Spirit comes up to the waist means a renewal of life. Being born from mother's womb makes us suitable to live only in the world. Therefore, we need the renewal of life to have suitable life for heavenly kingdom.

### **John 3:4-8**

*3:4 Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"*

*3:5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.*

*3:6 "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

*3:7 "Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'*

*3:8 "The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.*

Holy Spirit makes us be renewed/born of the water and Spirit.

The result of being born of the water and Spirit is a life as the wind.

### **Psalms 104:4**

*104:4 Who makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire.*

The wind is the servant of God, priests and kings, those having priest's offices, committing service and ministry to the Lord. The servant of God who is pleasing Him is as the blowing wind, meaning faithful servant in committing service and ministry to the Lord.

### **2 Corinthians 2:14**

*2:14 Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His*

*knowledge in every place.*

*2:15 For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.*

Besides, the servant of God must become the wind bringing the fragrance, coolness, and peace for other people. As a result, there is victory over all problems, sins, and death until Jesus comes a second time.

4. **[Ezekiel 47:5] Holy Spirit becomes a river we cannot cross, water in which one must swim.**

It means being filled by Holy Spirit up to the fullness abundantly.

Being filled with Holy Spirit to the fullness = The Door in which we find the Holy Place = entering the sheepfold. There are three equipments in it which refer to patience in committing three main services to the Lord as follows:

1. Golden Candlestick ([https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle\\_golden+candlestick.html](https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle_golden+candlestick.html)) -->patience in committing General Service.
2. Table of Showbread ([https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle\\_table+of+showbread.html](https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle_table+of+showbread.html)) -->patience in committing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion.
3. The Golden Altar of Incense ([https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle\\_the+golden+altar+of+incense.html](https://www.gptkk.org/tabernacle_the+golden+altar+of+incense.html)) -->patience in committing Prayer Service.

Being patient = being filled with Holy Spirit to the fullness.

Being impatient = not being filled with Holy Spirit. In such condition, Holy Spirit will never fill abundantly.

We will get satisfaction, God's goodness and mercy through our patience in shepherding so we do not want to go out of it.  
We cannot cross means the flesh does not have dominion over us.

**Psalm 23:6**

*23:6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.*

Having patience in the shepherding continually, Holy Spirit fills us abundantly as a river we cannot cross = the flesh does not sound anymore = The Veil has been torn.

Jesus was obedient until He died on the cross.

Meaning we have to be obedient until our flesh does not sound anymore.

In such a manner, we will be renewed continually and perfected until we become perfect as Jesus is.

Being obedient without our own will, we will follow the flow of the river of life until we come to the throne of God.  
Do not try to cross the river of life, do not resist the flow!

The result of following the flow of the river of life is below:

1. All physical and spiritual matters are alive; all impossible things become possible.

**Ezekiel 47:8**

*47:8 Then he said to me: "This water flows toward the eastern region, goes down into the valley, and enters the sea. When it reaches the sea, its waters are healed.*

*47:9 "And it shall be that every living thing that moves, wherever the rivers go, will live. There will be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters go there; for they will be healed, and everything will live wherever the river goes.*

2. The following as many waters to welcome Jesus' second coming on the clouds.

**Revelation 14:1-5**

*14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.*

*14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.*

*14:3 They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.*

*14:4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb.*

*14:5 And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God..*

**Revelation 19:6-7,9**

*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 thunders, 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."*

*19:9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."*

God blesses us.