

General Service in Malang, November 01, 2020 (Sunday Morning)

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

In the Tabernacle, the book of Revelation chapter twelve refers to the shekinah glory.

Revelation 12:1

12:1. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

'a woman' refers to the church of God with the sun, moon, and star who becomes the light of the world or shekinah glory like Jesus. It means becoming as perfect as Jesus.

Matthew 5:14-16

5:14. "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.

5:15. "Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

5:16. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

There are three levels of light as follows:

1. Becoming the light **in the marriage**. It refers to the Court.

Becoming the light in the marriage means as follows:

- A husband loves his wife.
- A wife submits to her husband.

In a relationship and engagement, one must also become the light in holiness. Do not become a traitor!

- A child obeys his parents.
- The parents must not make the children lose hearts through forcing the children to do their own will or permit the mistake of the children.
- Brother and sister become the light.
- Becoming the light for others in the household such as the maid, parents in law, *et cetera*.

2. Becoming the light **before men**, namely the light of testimony anywhere. It refers to the Holy Place.

We become the light of testimony through good and true words and deeds. At least we do not harm others if we cannot do something.

The fellow priests who cooperate in working (business), *et cetera* must be careful.

The fellow priests are the apple of God's eye. Disturbing the fellow priests is the same as disturbing the apple of God's eye.

3. Becoming the light **of the world**. It refers to the Most Holy Place. We are ready to meet God on the glorious clouds.

Actually, we cannot be arrogant in the Tabernacle teaching because we understand our position, namely we are too far from God. That is why we make effort to fulfill the requirement in the Tabernacle by fasting prayer and all night-long prayer.

The facts found in the church of God who becomes the light of the world are as follows:

1. 'a woman clothed with the sun' refers to **the church of God in the light of the love of Father God**.

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The facts found in it are as follows:

- Loving others as we love ourselves.

Matthew 5:43-45

5:43. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

5:44. "But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,

5:45. "that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sunrise on the evil and on the good, and

sends rain on the just and on the unjust.

We just do good and true things to others, not evil. We do not harm others. It is the same as having the light of the sun even though it has not been perfect yet.

We do not sacrifice others but we sacrifice for others.

- Loving others who make hostility toward us. We do not repay evil for evil, but repay good for evil. We pray for those who make hostility toward us.
If we can give to others who make hostility toward us, we will experience the heavenly bliss.

- Loving God more than anything or prioritizing God or the spiritual thing more than the physical one.

Judges 5:31

5:31. "Thus let all Your enemies perish, O LORD! But let those who love Him be like the sun When it comes out in full strength." So the land had rest for forty years.

'*let all Your enemies perish*' means that making hostility toward one who has the sun is the same as making hostility toward God, and God Himself will help.

We rely on God, not others, because we feel that we live by Him.

Loving God is the same as being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore. The number forty refers to the tearing of the flesh.

If we become obedient, we will look lose and stupid, but actually we have rest and all things.

In the past time, Solomon built the temple of God when the land had rest.

Now, it refers to the building of the perfect body of Christ. All of us are built up to the perfect body of Christ.

2. 'a woman with the moon under her feet' refers to **the church of God with the light of redemption of the Son of God.**

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The dragon cannot eat the church of God, how much more men, as long as the church of God has the moon under her feet.

The facts found in having the moon under the feet are as follows:

- One likes to be reconciled, namely confessing and forgiving one another with the encouragement of the sword of the Word which shows the sins.
As a result, the blood of Jesus takes away our sin. We experience the remission of sins. We are justified through the remission of sins.

After being forgiven, we must return to righteousness. Otherwise, how can we minister as well as be ministered?

After being justified, we should not sin anymore even though there are chance, advantage, persecution, suffering, threats, *et cetera*. It is the same as not sinning anymore.

This is one who has the moon under his feet.

He also experiences the freedom from sin to live in righteousness until he cannot sin like Jesus (being righteous, just as Jesus is righteous).

- Being honest especially in teaching.

Titus 2:7

2:7. in all things showing yourself to be a pattern of good works; in doctrine showing integrity, reverence, incorruptibility,

If we hear the false teaching, we will surely deliver out the true one.

If we are honest, God will be with us.

3. 'a woman with a garland of twelve stars' refers to **the church of God in the light of Holy Spirit.**

Revelation 12:1

12:1. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

Each of us receives Holy Spirit's anointing and gifts.

For example, if one is given the discerning of spirits, his ministry will be a pastor; one is given a gift to play guitar, his ministry will be a musician, *et cetera*.

The facts found in receiving Holy Spirit's anointing and gift are as follows:

- Being used in the revival of the building of the perfect body of Christ according to Holy Spirit's gift and the ministry that God gives to us.
We minister orderly, regular, and faithfully.

The building of the body of Christ starts from marriage, including relationship, shepherding, inter-shepherding until the Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ or the heavenly bride.

- Ministering God faithfully and fervently until the finish line, namely our death or Jesus' second coming.
We minister the marriage from the beginning until the finish line.

This is the church of God with the light of the sun, moon, and star, namely obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore, honesty, and faithfulness.

The functions of the light of the sun, moon, and star are as follows:

1. Winning over five kings of the Gentiles, because Jesus fights for us.

Joshua 10:3-4,12,14

10:3. Therefore Adoni-Zedek king of Jerusalem⁽¹⁾ sent to Hoham king of Hebron⁽²⁾, Piram king of Jarmuth⁽³⁾, Japhia king of Lachish⁽⁴⁾, and Debir king of Eglon⁽⁵⁾, saying,

10:4. "Come up to me and help me, that we may attack Gibeon, for it has made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel."

10:12. Then Joshua spoke to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel: "Sun, stand still over Gibeon; And Moon, in the Valley of Aijalon."

10:14. And there has been no day like that, before it or after it, that the LORD heeded the voice of a man; for the LORD fought for Israel.

Verse three is about the five kings of the Gentiles.

This is the request which is often unspoken, namely becoming the light.

If we have the sun, moon, and star, God will fight for us.

The five kings of the Gentiles refer to the senses or heart which is controlled by the king of darkness or Satan.

If our senses are dark, our heart will be closed. The heart becomes as hard as stone, so one just commits sins up to the peak through the things as follows:

- The eyes watch or read the false thing.
- The ear hears gossip and false teaching.
- The mouth lies and speaks dirty word.
- The skin. It refers to touch. It means that one has the prejudice, gets offended, and has the self-truth.
- The nose keeps smelling decay. It means that one looks for problem and others' mistake, but he worships God less.

The thought also sins and it is added with the sinful deeds up to the peak, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage.

Consequently, the Gentiles appear as the dog and swine. They do not want to repent or hear the teaching word until they cannot repent (being dark like Satan).

Joshua 10:11

10:11. And it happened, as they fled before Israel and were on the descent of Beth Horon, that the LORD cast down large hailstones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. There were more who died from the hailstones than the children of Israel killed with the sword.

Be careful! If we are in the darkness, we will experience the hailstones.

That is why we need the light of the sun, moon, and star to illuminate our senses, so they become the exercised senses.

Hebrews 5:14

5:14. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

'*their senses exercised*' means as follows:

- Being controlled by the King of light, namely Jesus.
- The heart becomes gentle. It means that one wants to eat the solid food, namely hearing and obeying the teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

All of our life, namely the senses, thought, and deed are purified, so we live in holiness.

- Being mature in spirituality.

In the past time, the Israelites who were counted to become the armies were from twenty years old and above.

So, being mature in spirituality means that we can fight. It is the same as worshipping God a lot or surrendering our whole life to Him.

As a result, God will fight for us.

Jesus must die on the cross, so He can fight for us to give the rain of blessing for us up to the abundance, and we become the blessing for others.

We surely win over our enemy. It means that all problems are finished in His time.

2. Jesus appears as the light of the world to light a woman who commits adultery.

John 8:2,12

8:2. Now early in the morning He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them.

8:12. Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

Being unfaithful is the same as committing adultery.

James 4:4

4:4. Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

The condition of those who have the dark senses like a woman who commits adultery is as follows:

- Enjoying committing sins up to the peak.
It must be changed by God, so they can become the sheep. We just do the true, holy, and good things.
- Being failed and ashamed especially in marriage and children.
We bring our failed and broken life to God, so we can live in righteousness and holiness as well as glorify God. Our life becomes in success and beauty
- In tears. Let God wipe it, so we are happy.
- The dead end.
The physical and spiritual dead ends can be helped by Jesus because He has been stoned and crucified.

What is our condition? God wants to illuminate us. He is remembering, caring, and struggling for us until we become perfect. We are worthy to be shown in heaven with the sun, moon, and star.

God blesses us.