General Service in Malang, October 14, 2016 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation chapter eight and nine refer to the two tablets of stone or the perfect love of God.

We must have the perfect love of God, because without it all things are empty, useless, impermanent, until perish forever.

Revelation 8:1-5

- 8:1 When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.
- 8:2 And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.
- 8:3 Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at <u>the altar</u>. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.
- 8:4 And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand.
- 8:5 Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake.

Revelation eight verse one is about the opening of the seventh seal.

In Revelation six, there is the opening of the first to the sixth seal as follows:

The first seal or the revival of the white horse.

Revelation 6:1-2

6:1 Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see."

6:2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.

The second seal or the revival of the fiery red horse.

Revelation 6:3-4

6:3 When He opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come and see."

6:4 Another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that people should kill one another; and there was given to him a great sword.

The third seal or the revival of the black horse.

Revelation 6:5-6

6:5 When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand.

6:6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."

The fourth seal or the revival of the pale horse.

Revelation 6:7-8

6:7 When He opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come and see."

6:8 So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth.

The fifth seal. It is about the martyr or those who died because of Jesus.

Revelation 6:9-11

6:9 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held.

6:10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

6:11 Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed.

The sixth seal or the earthquake.

Revelation 6:12-17

6:12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.

6:13 And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.

6:14 Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

6:15 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,

6:16 and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!

6:17 "For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

The seventh seal in Revelation 8:1-5

There are two contradictory conditions as follows:

- 1. [Revelation 8:1-4] The people who hear and obey the voice of trumpets, the teaching word which is true, hard, and sharper than any two-edged sword, or the word of sanctification get the love of God or two tablets of stone. The love of God covers all of our sins, so we can live in righteousness and holiness. His love encourages us to worship Him, so we experience the peace which increase up to the silence for about half an hour in heaven.
- 2. [Revelation 8:5] The people who do not want to receive, but reject the voice of trumpets. It means that they do not want to be sanctified, so the sins are rampant and there is no love of God. So, they will experience the shakings in earth which increase to the destruction in hell forever..

So, there will be difference between the righteous who serve and minister to God and those who do not. Moreover, there will be difference also between the people who serve and prioritize the sword of the word or the one of sanctification and those who serve to God, but reject or do not prioritize the word or sanctification until they do not experience the sanctification.

Malachi 3:18

3:18 Then you shall again discern <u>Between the righteous and the wicked, Between one who serves God And one who does not serve Him.</u>

Malachi 4:1

4:1 "For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up," Says the LORD of hosts, "That will leave them neither root nor branch.

The people who serve to God but not prioritizing the voice of the trumpet, even rejecting the sanctification, and keeping sins do not build the body of Christ but ruin it, so their lives are like the chaff, namely being useless, experiencing the shakings, until being burnt in hell forever.

Malachi 4:2

4:2 But to <u>you who fear My name</u>The Sun of Righteousness shall arise With healing in His wings; And you shall go out <u>And grow</u> fat like stall-fed calves.

Psalms 138:2

138:2 I will worship toward Your holy temple, <u>And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have</u> magnified Your word above all Your name.

The people who serve to God and fear His name or the word will receive the sword of sanctification. They serve and minister to God in holiness and become His servant who can please Him.

There are three levels of the servant and the minister of God who serve and minister Him in holiness and please Him as follows:

- 1. [Malachi 4:2] growing fat like stall-fed calves. It means serving and ministering to God with increasing holiness and anointing of Holy Spirit, in joy of heaven, and without boredom. We can be joyful, faithful and fervent in spirit to serve and minister to God.
- 2. The mature calf whose nose is stabbed with cord to be controlled refers to the servant of God who obeys the commandment of God or the true teaching word until the flesh does not speak anymore. We only do the will of God. So, we can be faithful and fervent in spirit until the end line, namely we pass away or Jesus comes for the second time.

John 4:34

4:34 Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.

It is the same as feeding, pleasing, and satisfying God. As a result, He will satisfy and make us happy, so we do not look for the satisfaction in the world which is temporary and makes us sinful. The matter of eating-drinking and future life become the matter of God.

3. The neck of an old calf is slaughtered.

The neck refers to the close relationship between body or us with the head or God, namely the worship prayer.

Being slaughtered refers to the top of the worship prayer. We experience the tearing of the flesh fully until the veil is torn, so we can be blessing for other people. It begins from the marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding. If the flesh does not speak anymore, we will experience the calmness and peace which increase up to the serenity for about half an hour in heaven or the eternal one forever.

From now, we must experience the peace and keep the peaceful heart.

The processes are as follows:

o We always reconcile with God and other people.

Romans 12:18

12:18 If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.!

We confess our sins to God. After being forgiven, do not do the sins anymore.

We confess and forgive sin one another. When we are wrong, we must confess it. When we are right, we can forgive and forget the sin of other people.

So, the blood of Jesus cleanses our sins and we get the peace. It means that we are not accused and we cannot accuse other people. We become the house of prayer, so our prayer is answered by God.

o Casting all our care upon God.

1 Peter 5:7

5:7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

The proof is that we can be shepherded well and correctly. We are always in the shepherding pen, or the Holy Place. It means that we have the perseverance in doing three main services to God.

- The Golden Candlestick refers to the perseverance in doing General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the anointing and gifts of Holy Spirit.
- The Table of Showbread refers to the perseverance in doing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the true teaching word and sacrifice of Christ.
- The Golden Altar of Incense refers to the perseverance in doing Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in His love.

The body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God. We cannot be touched by the trinity of Satan and we are set free from worries. We only hear and obey the voice of the shepherd or the true teaching word which is repeated. If we persevere and become obedient, our position will be like the chicks under the wings of the hen.

Matthew 23:37

23:37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!.

So, we experience the peace. God as the Great Shepherd preserves us miraculously, abundantly, and directly from heaven until we can give thanks.

• We are always near to God. Do not be separated from Him like a weaned child with his mother.

Psalms 131:1-3

131:1 << A Song of Ascents. Of David.>> LORD, my heart is not haughty, Nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, Nor with things too profound for me.

131:2 <u>Surely I have calmed and quieted my soul, Like a weaned child with his mother; Like a weaned child is my soul within me.</u>

131:3 O Israel, hope in the LORD From this time forth and forever.

We are permitted to experience the shakings so that we are near to God.

The facts found in it are as follows:

- [Psalms 131:1] We do not insist the things which are too miraculous, but surrender fully to the will of God.
- [Psalms 131:2] We are silent and calm.
 Being silent means that we do introspection in our life through the sharpness of the sword of the word. If there is sin, we must confess it. If there is no sin, do not defend our life, but submit all things to God.

Being calm means controlling our life so that we do not hope to anything in the world and we are neither disappointed, hopeless, nor proud of anything in the world but hope to God.

So, we can repent, pray, and stretch our hand to God until He stretches out His hand to calm the wind and wave in the sea of the world, finish all problems, give peace, and all things are easy and light. He is able to finish all of impossible problems in due time. His hand leads us to the harbor of peace and sanctifies us to be as perfect as Him, so we are worthy to welcome His second coming on the glorious clouds.

God blesses you.