New Year Eve Service in Malang, December 31, 2017 (Sunday Night)

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

There are three things that must be paid attention to in facing next year; even the coming of Jesus as follows:

1. 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?"

<u>The first thing</u>that must be paid attention to is that we must face the great earthquake physically and spiritually, namely the world with all of its influences such as business, pseudo joy, distress, difficulties, wickedness, uncleanness, *et cetera* which cause these things:

• Verse 12-13= The darkness in the world, namely THE CRISIS OF HOPE.

The sun refers to Father God, the moon refers to Son of God, and the star refers to Holy Spirit God. The sun becomes black as sackcloth, the moon becomes like blood, and the star of heaven falls to the earth means that we are the servant and the minister of God, are separated from the trinity of God or near the world that has been ruled over by the trinity of Satan.

<u>The consequence is</u>living in the darkness of sin up to the peak, namely wickedness or fraud, bitterness or hatred and revenge, and uncleanness, namely the sin of eating drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. There is no more hope to be the light of the world and the perfect church or the bride of heaven.

Revelation 12: 1

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

It means that such people become the same as the woman of Babylon.

Revelation 17: 4-5

17:4 The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication.

17:5 And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, <u>BABYLON THE GREAT,</u>THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

• Revelation 6: 14

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

The great shaking that happens, namely THE CRISIS OF FAITH.

The shaking in all aspects will happen in the world, namely the trials in all aspects which make the church, the servant and the minister of God moved from faith to God or true teaching word. They fall in sin or have crisis in faith.

1 Timothy 6: 9-10

6:9 But those who <u>desire to be richfall</u> into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition.

6:10 For the <u>love of money</u> is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

Straying from the faith means being moved from faith.

The desire of money will make people pursue money, so they look for it in illegal way or not in line with the true teaching word. For example, doing corruption, cheating other people, *et cetera*. They are outside the word. **Consequently**, they are in sorrow. Their life slumps and finds deadlock.

• Revelation 6: 15-17

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 great earthquake that causes fear or anxiety attacks all people.

Luke 21: 25-26

21:25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring;

21:26 "men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

This is the fear or anxiety in facing the situation of the world on the last day; even the second coming of Jesus.

1 John 4: 18

4:18 <u>There is no fear in love</u>; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

When there is fear there is no love, but crisis of love.

1 John 2: 17

2:17 And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

The people who obey the will of God are the obedient ones.

When one is disobedient, he does not have the love of God, so he is in fear and worry. Consequently, he is destroyed with the world in doomsday, or being left when Jesus comes for the second time.

The solution in facing the darkness, shaking and fear is that the servant, the minister and the church of God must dwell in Holy Place.

Leviticus 21: 12 is about Regulation for Conduct of Priests.

21:12 'nor shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the consecration of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD.

The Holy Place refers to the shepherding pen. There are three instruments in it that refer to the perseverance in doing three main services as follows:

- The Golden Candlestick refers to the perseverance in doing General Service. We have the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in His gift. It is the same as the star that keeps on shining or does not fall. We have the hope until we become the light of the world.
- The Table of Showbread refers to the perseverance in doing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion. We have the fellowship with Son of God in teaching word and sacrifice of Christ. It is the same as the shining moon or the redemption.
- The Altar of Incense refers to the perseverance in doing Prayer Service. We have the fellowship with Father God in His love. We have the love of God. The sun keeps shining.

In the shepherding pen, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God, so we cannot be touched by the trinity of Satan as the source of shaking, darkness, and fear. We keep living in the light. We are sanctified and anointed by Holy Spirit.

Ezekiel 20: 37

20:37 "I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant;.

To enter the shepherding pen, we need the rod or the shepherding word which is trusted by God to a shepherd to be

preached faithfully, continually, in order, and repetitively. It is able to bring us to enter the Holy Place or have the perseverance in doing the three main services to God.

The success of preaching of the word is bringing the congregation to enter the shepherding pen.

Matthew 10: 30

10:30 "But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

If we are in the shepherding pen, a hair will be numbered.

A hair refers to one who is powerless, but if he is in the shepherding pen, he will be numbered by God. Being numbered by God, we get the result as follows:

- The great merciful hand of God is able to protect and preserve us in the midst of great difficulties in the world; even when antichrist rules over the world for three and a half years, although we are powerless.
- We have the hope to be the light of the world. In the shepherding pen, there is the light of the sun, moon and star.
- We are owned by God.Being numbered means being owned by God and none may charge against it.

2. Revelation 7: 1

7:1 After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the<u>wind should not blow on the earth</u>, on the sea, or on any tree.

The second thing that must be paid attention to is that the wind does not blow on the earth. It refers to THE CRISIS OF CONSECRATION OR THE SERVICE and MINISTRY.

John 3: 5-8

3:5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless <u>one is born of water and the Spirit</u>, 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 "<u>The wind blows where it wishes</u>, 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."

We must experience the new birth from water and Spirit. We are reborn by God through water and Holy Spirit baptism.

The process is as follows:

- Believing in Jesus as the only savior.
- Repenting. We stop sinning and die to sin.
- Entering water baptism.

The wind does not blow means that the servant and the minister of God are not faithful in service and ministry anymore. They are in crisis of consecration. If it is continued, they will leave the service and ministry, and not want to serve and minister to God, until someday they cannot serve and minister to God anymore, so they become the same as Satan. They are <u>lazy and wicked servants</u>.

Matthew 25: 26, 30

25:26 "But his lord answered and said to him, <u>'You wicked and lazy servant</u>, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

25:30 'And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The solution: We must be shepherded, so we can live in holiness and anointing.

If we live in holiness and anointing, we are encouraged to be the servant and the minister of God who serve and minister to Him in faithfulness and goodness, faithfulness and fervency in spirit, as well as or faithfulness and obedience.

The result: there are protection and victory from God.

1 Samuel 14: 6-15, 20

14:6 Then Jonathan said to the young man who bore his armor, "Come, let us go over to the garrison of these uncircumcised; it may be that the LORD will work for us. For nothing restrains the LORD from saving by many or by few." 14:7 So his armorbearer said to him, "Do all that is in your heart. Go then; here I am with you, according to your heart." 14:8 Then Jonathan said, "Very well, let us cross over to these men, and we will show ourselves to them. 14:9 "If they say thus to us, 'Wait until we come to you,' then we will stand still in our place and not go up to them. 14:10 "But if they say thus, 'Come up to us,' then we will go up. For the LORD has delivered them into our hand, and this will be a sign to us."

14:11 So both of them showed themselves to the garrison of the Philistines. And the Philistines said, "Look, the Hebrews are coming out of the holes where they have hidden."

14:12 Then the men of the garrison called to Jonathan and his armorbearer, and said, "Come up to us, and we will show you something." Jonathan said to his armorbearer, "Come up after me, for the LORD has delivered them into the hand of Israel."

14:13 And Jonathan climbed up on his hands and knees with his armorbearer after him; and they fell before Jonathan. And as he came after him, his armorbearer killed them.

14:14 That first slaughter which Jonathan and his armorbearer made was about twenty men within about half an acre of land.

14:15 And there was trembling in the camp, in the field, and among all the people. The garrison and the raiders also trembled; and the earth quaked, so that it was a very great trembling.

14:20 Then Saul and all the people who were with him assembled, and they went to the battle; and indeed every man's sword was against his neighbor, and there was very great confusion.

1 Samuel 14: 24, 27, 41-45

14:24 And the men of Israel were distressed that day, for Saul had placed the people under oath, saying, "Cursed is the man who eats any food until evening, before I have taken vengeance on my enemies." So none of the people tasted food. 14:27 <u>But Jonathan had not heard</u>his father charge the people with the oath; therefore he stretched out the end of the rod that was in his hand and dipped it in a honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth; and his countenance brightened.

14:41 Therefore Saul said to the LORD God of Israel, "Give a perfect lot." So Saul and Jonathan were taken, but the people escaped.

14:42 And Saul said, "Cast lots between my son Jonathan and me." So Jonathan was taken.

14:43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, "Tell me what you have done." And Jonathan told him, and said, "I only <u>tasted</u>a little honey with the end of the rod that was in my hand. So now I must die!"

14:44 And Saul answered, "God do so and more also; for you shall surely die, Jonathan."

14:45 But the people said to Saul, "Shall Jonathan die, who has accomplished this great deliverance in Israel? Certainly not! As the LORD lives, not one hair of his head shall fall to the ground, for he has worked with God this day." So the people rescued Jonathan, and he did not die.

Tastingmeans feeling.

Jonathan fell in sin, namely the sin of feeling.

By the work of the word or Urim and Thummim which pierce our feeling or our kidney, so we can confess our sin and we are still forgiven by God. We are given life by Him, so we can be used again to become the wind. We are given fragrance by God.

It is the right of God to defend man who is faithful and obedient. Although we have fallen in sin, if we confess it through the sharpness of the sword of word, we are still given life, fragrance satisfaction, and joy.

Matthew 25: 21

25:21 "His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

We will be sent by God like the wind that blows. We are used by God more to bring fragrance and eternal life wherever we are sent, until we enter the marriage supper of the Lamb on the glorious clouds and the New Jerusalem.

3. Revelation 7: 2-8

7:2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, <u>having the seal of the living God</u>. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea,

7:3 saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." 7:4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed. <u>One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes</u> of the children of Israel were sealed:

7:5 of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed;

7:6 of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed;

7:7 of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed;

7:8 of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe

of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed.

The third one that must be paid attention to is the seal of God to His church or bride.

Revelation 14: 1, 3

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

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 whowere redeemed from the earth.

Being sealed means being redeemed by the blood of Jesus or experiencing THE SPRINKLING OF BLOOD.

The facts found in it are as follows:

• Suffering in flesh to be set free from sin.

Genesis 15: 13

15:13 Then He said to Abram: "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years.

Twelve tribes of Israel were afflicted in Egypt four hundred years.

Four hundred years is the same as one hundred and forty-four thousand days or four hundred years times three hundred and sixty days.

The people who are redeemed or sealed are one hundred and forty-four thousand men.

So, there is a man who is redeemed or set free every day. We must be set free from sin every day.

• <u>Suffering in flesh because of Jesus</u>means that we are sealed or owned by God not to be destroyed, but to have *shekinah glory.*

The spirit of Gory or the *shekinah of glory* is in us to change us from the fleshly man to be the spiritual one like Jesus and placed in the New Jerusalem or the eternal kingdom of heaven.

What must be renewed?

Revelation 21:1

21:1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

New Year means the first day in the first month or January.

Tabernacle is also built on the first day in the first month (Exodus 40). We are renewed means that there is no more sea. It means that there is no more doubtful heart.

James 1: 6-8

1:6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like <u>a wave of the sea</u>driven and tossed by the wind. 1:7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;

1:8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Doubtful heart means not being calm or getting nothing, including the eternal life or the kingdom of heaven.

Acts 27: 33-36

27:33 And as day was about to dawn, Paul implored them all to take food, saying, "Today is the <u>fourteenth dayyou have</u> waited and continued without food, and eaten nothing.

27:34 "Therefore I urge you to take nourishment, for this is for your survival, since not a hair will <u>fall from the head of any</u> <u>of you</u>."

27:35 And when he had said these things, he took bread and gave thanks to God in the presence of them all; and when he had broken it he began to eat.

27:36 Then they were all encouraged, and also took food themselves

Our position is like a hair in the midst of waves of the world that shake and make us fall. What we need is only being strong and of good courage.

Exodus 12:6

12:6 'Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.

Through the suffering or the sprinkling of blood, there is spirit of glory that changes us to be strong and of a good courage. If it is added with Holy Communion, we will be sealed by God.

1 Corinthians 11: 25

11:25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Through the Holy Communion we can be strong and of good courage or being sealed by God, so we cannot be disturbed.

Being strong and of good courage means:

- Keeping on holding fast to the true teaching word and obey it, we can be righteous and holy. Our words are holy and righteous. It means that there is tested faith. It is like the pure gold or the moon keeps on shining.
- Being faithful and fervent in spirit in service and ministry to God until the end line, until Jesus comes for the second time or until we pass away. It means we have<u>the perfect hope</u>.
- We are not disappointed and hopeless when facing earthquake, wave and everything in 2018. We will not give up and leave God, but we keep on worshiping Him; we trust and entrust our life fully to God. It means that there is <u>the perfect love</u> and we love Him.

Although we are just like a hair, no one sees, pays attention and cares us, if we are strong and of good courage, we will get the result. The great merciful hand of God finishes all of our impossible problems and gives the successful and beautiful future life. He perfects us when He comes for the second time, so we can see Him face to face.

1 Chronicles 28: 20

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

1 Corinthians 13: 12-13

13:12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

13:13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

God blesses you.