

Opening Service of Lempin-EI Generation XXXV, November 15, 2012 (Thursday Evening)

Peace and grace in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 27 says about the seven sprinklings of blood upon the Ark of the Covenant. It means the suffering Jesus experiences to save, sanctify and perfect us.

We are studying the seventh passage in it, namely **Pilate Sets a Guard**.

Matthew 27:62-66

27:62 *On the next day, which followed the Day of Preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered together to Pilate,*

27:63 *saying, "Sir, we remember, while He was still alive, how that deceiver said, 'After three days I will rise.'*

27:64 *"Therefore command that the tomb be made secure until the third day, lest His disciples come by night and steal Him away, and say to the people, 'He has risen from the dead.' So the last deception will be worse than the first."*

27:65 *Pilate said to them, "You have a guard; go your way, make it as secure as you know how."*

27:66 *So they went and made the tomb secure, sealing the stone and setting the guard.*

The chief priests and Pharisees ask Pilate to make the tomb of Jesus secure and seal it because they do not believe in His resurrection.

As for the logic of human, it is impossible for the disciples to see Jesus who has risen but actually they can.

Thus, **the seventh sprinkling of blood sanctifies the Church of God from these two things**.

1. Impossibilities.

As a result, we can believe or our logic can receive that there is nothing impossible for the resurrection power of the Lord.

2. False teachings.

Ad. 2. Sanctification from false teachings.

Matthew 24:3-5,11,24

24:3 *Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"*

24:4 *And Jesus answered and said to them: (1) "Take heed that no one deceives you."*

24:5 *"For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and (2) will deceive many."*

24:11 *"Then many false prophets will rise up and (3) deceive many."*

24:24 *"For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect."*

It is said four times about the deception, meaning as follows.

- The deception happens at the four corners of the earth.

We will go astray if we receive the false teaching, although we do not sin. In such condition, we will not reach New Jerusalem.

- The deception will happen to the chosen people.

The chosen people are those who have received Bride Tidings.

Do not say "It is a little difference only" because a train which goes another way, although only a short distance, will continue go astray in a far distance.

The false teaching can be described as a leaven. A little leaven can destroy the whole lump. It means that a little false teaching can destroy our spirituality, morality, righteousness, and holiness. In such condition, there is self-truth and dry spirituality. For example, the Jews are deceived by the chief priests and Pharisees, so they prefer to choose a transgressor to be released than Jesus.

In addition, the false teaching also destroys or divides the body of Christ.

Romans 16:17

16:17 *Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.*

The right attitude is **to avoid them**.

Matthew 16:6,12

16:6 Then Jesus said to them, "Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the Sadducees."

16:12 Then they understood that He did not tell them to beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

We need the sprinkling of blood to make us understand and avoid the false teachings.

There are two kinds of the leaven of false teaching, namely the leaven of Pharisees and of Sadducees. Now we are learning **the leaven of the Pharisees.**

Matthew 19:3-9

19:3 The Pharisees also came to Him, testing Him, and saying to Him, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for just any reason?"

19:4 And He answered and said to them, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning made them male and female,"

19:5 "and said, For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh?"

19:6 "So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

19:7 They said to Him, "Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?"

19:8 He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.

19:9 "And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another, commits adultery; and whoever marries her who is divorced commits adultery."

It is the leaven about divorce and remarriage, namely a teaching that allows or legalizes a servant or son of God who has gotten married before God to divorce and then get marry again with other.

Mark 10:10-12

10:10 In the house His disciples also asked Him again about the same matter.

10:11 So He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her.

10:12 "And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

1 Corinthians 7:39

7:39 A wife is bound by law as long as her husband lives; but if her husband dies, she is at liberty to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord.

As long as a husband has an alive wife or a wife has an alive husband, both of them are bound in the marriage. They cannot divorce or get married again with other.

Matthew 19 refers to the white garments with many holes, namely the garment of ministry that will peak on the garment of Bride. Thus, the sprinkling of blood sanctifies us from the leaven of divorce and remarriage or other false teachings, so we have the white garments with many holes or the ministry garment up to the garment of Bride.

The facts found in it are as follows.

1. [Matthew 19:1-9] Holiness in our own life and marriages so that the husband and wife become one flesh. Divorce must not be in it.
If the husband and wife are holy, they will become one until they reach the perfect marriage. The building of the body of Christ is not the work of human. The important thing is we must keep the holiness in our life. Do not judge other people.

2. Holiness in the status of eunuch for the kingdom of heaven's sake. This kind of status is higher than the status of married people.

Matthew 19:10-12

19:10 His disciples said to Him, "If such is the case of the man with his wife, it is better not to marry."

19:11 But He said to them, "All cannot accept this saying, but only those to whom it has been given:

19:12 "For there are eunuchs who were born thus from their mother's womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He who is able to accept it, let him accept it."

1 Corinthians 7:32-34

7:32 But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord.

7:33 But he who is married cares about the things of the worldâ€”how he may please his wife.

7:34 There is a difference between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman cares about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But she who is married cares about the things of the worldâ€”how she may please her husband.

The unmarried woman and man can care about the things of the Lord, so their status is higher than the married peopleâ€™s.

Therefore, spouse who becomes the students of Lempin-El must live in different place while they are studying in order to focus their attention only to the Lord.

The white garment in the status of eunuch is refraining from the flesh lusts in order to focus the attention only to God, so we can be holy and acceptable to God.

Lempin-El is the place to refrain from flesh lust as well as focus the attention only to God.

There are three kinds of focusing attention to God as follows.

1. We heed the true teaching Word as we heed a light that shines in a dark place.

2 Peter 1:19

1:19 And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

It refers to the Table of Showbread in Tabernacle teaching, namely perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion

The prophetic word or the true teaching word is Godâ€™s Word which is revealed through a verse that explains another verse. There is little prophecy in the church that must be in line with the big one, namely the revelation of the true teaching Word, besides it must have spiritual purpose.

The prophetic word reveals all things that will happen on the last days, especially about Jesusâ€™ second coming in His glory as the King of all kings and Heavenly Bridegroom to sanctify and perfect His congregation until they become His Bride. Therefore, it is often called Bride Tiding or the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ who is the image of God [2 Corinthians 4:3-4].

Such word is taught in Lempin-El.

We must heed the prophetic word, so we can be able to welcome Jesusâ€™ second coming.

The facts found in it are as follows.

- Listening to the Word solemnly as a need. It is an easy matter as looking at a lamp in the midst of darkness. What we must have is only need and seriousness.
- Understanding the Word.
- Believing in it.
- Obeying it.

Afterwards, the dark and unclean sinful heart will be shined by the light of the glory of Bride Tidings. The light becomes brighter day by day and so does our face until we become as glorious as Jesus is when He comes a second time.

The result is as follows.

- We become light or lamp in our household.
Meaning a wife can submit to her husband, a husband can love his wife, and the children can obey their parents. As a result, the darkness of basket and bed cannot destroy the marriage.

- There is light of the stars, namely the obedient or wise servants of God.

Daniel 12:3

12:3 Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.

Being the shining stars means being example to shine the false and dark things and then to guide to the righteousness and holiness.

For example, Abigail bears the mistake of Nabal, her husband.

- There is light of the morning star.

2 Peter 1:19

1:19 And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;

2. We focus our attention in the ministry to God.

Colossians 4:17

4:17 And say to Archippus, "Take heed to the ministry which you have received in the Lord, that you may fulfill it."

It refers to the Golden Candlestick in Tabernacle, referring to perseverance in doing General Service.

We heed our ministry to fulfill it, meaning as follows.

- Being faithful until the end line, namely we die or Jesus comes a second time.
- We minister to God until the perfect body of Christ is formed.
- We minister seriously and fervently in spirit with our responsibility.

2 Peter 1:10-11

1:10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

1:11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

God is just. He will give us full right to enter heavenly kingdom if we fulfill or completely do our ministry.

There are two things we must heed in our ministry as follows.

- Do not stumble or become stumbling block! Do not become hopeless or disappointed because of any reason! Do not depart the service and ministry, or else there will be no full right to enter heavenly kingdom anymore.
- Do not become fornicator or profane person like Esau who for one morsel of food sells his birthright, meaning selling spiritual thing for physical ones. Do not trade the true teaching Word for the physical things, or else there will be no full right to enter heavenly kingdom anymore.

3. We pay attention to the goodness or mercy of God.

Psalms 107:43

107:43 Whoever is wise will observe these things, And they will understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.

Lempin-El is conducted for free because it is only from the mercy of God. It means nothing can pay it.

The fact found in paying attention to the mercy of God is we use our time to kneel and worship God many more.

Psalms 5:8

5:8 But as for me, I will come into Your house in the multitude of Your mercy; In fear of You I will worship toward Your holy temple.

In Tabernacle, it refers to the Golden Altar of Incense, referring to the perseverance in doing Prayer Service.

There are three kinds of prayer Jesus has taught us, namely one hour prayer, fasting prayer, and long night prayer.

We have come to God with all our sacrifices and we must continue by looking upon His mercy. We worship Him until we have life renewal. It is the greatest miracle.

Genesis 32:24,27-28

32:24 Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day.

32:27 So He said to him, "What is your name?" He said, "Jacob."

32:28 And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."

We are renewed from carnal man to spiritual one. It is as Jacob, whose name means cheat, but then gets new name, that is Israel, whose meaning is a winner.

In Malachi 3:8, a cheat happens because of robbing God about the tithes and offerings.
The servants and sons of God will be losers when they are dishonest stealing the tithes and offerings.

Thus, the three facts in focusing our attention only to God is through being shepherded or persevering in doing three main services to God.

Lempin-EI is conducted with full connection to the church or shepherding. The teachers of main subjects are shepherds feeding the congregation seriously and the teachers of additional subjects are those who are well-shepherded and obedient.

Psalm 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.

Focusing our attention to God in shepherding system, God also pays attention to us who are unworthy and powerless. How great a human is, he will fall for sure if he is outside the shepherding. On the contrary, how unworthy and powerless we are as a passing shadow, God will pay His attention to us if we pay our attention to Him.

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.

God cares us with His goodness and mercy that cannot be compared with anything in the world.

1. God pays attention on our every step and heart beat with His goodness and mercy.

Job 31:4

31:4 Does He not see my ways, And count all my steps?

Job 7:17-18

7:17 "What is man, that You should exalt him, That You should set Your heart on him,

7:18 That You should visit him every morning, And test him every moment?"

King David himself confesses that it is only a step between him and the death.

One of God's attention to us is in the test to make us pure as gold.

The gold refers to pure faith and righteous life steps. In such condition, the temptations and death cannot hit us.

Our steps become beautiful to preach the Bride Tidings.

Romans 10:15

10:15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"

Every time we feel hopeless let us believe that as long as we can take a breath, the goodness and mercy of God are able to make all things beautiful in His time.

2. The goodness and mercy of God care us up to our deepest feeling.

Exodus 3:7-8

3:7 And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows.

3:8 "So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites.

Let us go home with peaceful heart.

3. God cares us even to a piece of our hairs.

Matthew 10:29-30

10:29 "Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will.

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

Matthew 10 speaks about antichrist. We are protected and preserved by God in the midst of difficulties in the world although

we are weak only as a piece of hair none sees but tramples under foot. God keeps on preserving and protecting us until the time of Antichrist's reigning over the world.

God does not allow a piece of our hairs to fall, meaning we are complete or perfect without any spot when Jesus comes a second time.

Psalm 103:4

103:4 Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,

Lempin-EL is not a place to get diploma but the crown of Bride. Likewise, our following to Jesus must continue until we get the crown.

The lovingkindness and tender mercies of God help us until we get the crown of Bride to welcome Jesus's second coming.

God blesses you.