Passover Fellowship in Surabaya, April 20, 2022 (Wednesday Night)

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

The theme is Job 19:25

19:25. For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall standat last on the earth;

It means as follows:

- 1. Jesus as the Redeemer has died on the Cross--the Good Friday.
- 2. Jesus has risen and lived--Passover.

So, Job prophesied about Jesus as the Redeemer who died on the cross, but He was risen. It is what we celebrate these days.

How was Job's condition when He prophesied it?

1. Being separated from God--'He has fenced up my way' and so on.

Job 19: 7-10

- 19:7. "If I cry out concerning wrong, I am not heard. If I cry aloud, there is no justice.
- 19:8. He has fenced up my way, so that I cannot pass; And He has set darkness in my paths.
- 19:9. He has stripped me of my glory, And taken the crown from my head.
- 19:10. He breaks me down on every side, And I am gone; My hope He has uprooted like a tree.
- 2. Being separated from others; even his breath wasoffensive to his wife.

Job 19: 13-19

- 19:13. "He has removed my brothers far from me, And my acquaintances are completely estranged from me.
- 19:14. My relatives have failed, And my close friends have forgotten me.
- 19:15. Those who dwell in my house, and my maidservants, Count me as a stranger; I am an alien in their sight.
- 19:16. I call my servant, but he gives no answer; I beg him with my mouth.
- 19:17. My breath is offensive to my wife, And I am repulsive to the children of my own body.
- 19:18. Even young children despise me; I arise, and they speak against me.
- 19:19. All my close friends abhor me, And those whom I love have turned against me.

So, Job was separated with God and others.

Consequently, he suffered so much. He was in destroyed condition, and he was threatened by the death or eternal perdition--there was but a step between him and death.

Job 19: 20

19:20. My bone clings to my skin and to my flesh, And I have escaped by the skin of my teeth.

What was needed by Job? He must be able to see that Jesus has risen ('And <u>He shall standat last on the earth</u>')--Jesus defeated the last enemy, namely the death, so the other enemies were also defeated.

In the New Testament, it is the same condition as the disciples.

John 20: 19-20

20:19. Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shutwhere the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you."

20:20. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

So, Job's condition is the same as the one of the disciples at evening--the image of the church of God on the last days--, namely the doors are shut. It means that God and others cannot enter--having separation from God and others.

Consequently, fear, worry, and stress happen.

Why is it so?

• Because of committing sins up to the peak, namely the sin of eating-drinking and the sin or marrying-giving in marriage

^{&#}x27;the same day at evening' refers to the last days, and it is close to the sunrise.

^{&#}x27;Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." means that Jesus has risen.

^{&#}x27;Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord' means that they see God who has risen.

which are hidden.

The example is Adam and Eve.

The fear, worry, and stress are not caused by poorness. At that moment, Adam and Eve were in Garden Eden. They had everything but they were fearful because they committed the sin.

• The shepherd is afraid if the sheep go out of the sheepfold, because he assumes that the sheep are his own, not God's.

The shepherd is just trusted by God. The shepherd must have the willingness if God's trust has finished, and the sheep must move to other sheepfold.

• There are the enemies, namely shocks, winds, and waves in the ocean of the world.

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.

'on the earth distress of nations' means that approaching the second coming of Jesus on the last days, the fear will increase until it becomes the main killer as follows:

- 1. Physically, may be the disease is not serious, but because of fear one dies; facing the money problem then he gets fear and stress, at last he dies.
- 2. Spiritually, if one is always fearful and worried, he will experience the spiritual dryness and death. There is no more passion in the spiritual things, namely he is not fervent in the ministry, hearing the Word, praying, and so on. At last he just commits sins up to the peak fervently.

Actually, there are only two safest places on the earth that are full of God's love as follows:

- 1. The household. We as the husband, wife, child, and parents may not leave the house to relieve stress. If it happens, we will look for the death or perdition.
- 2. The sheepfold.

In the marriage and shepherding, we will face the winds that put us to the death.

If the spiritual death continues, it will become the second death in hell forever.

Be watchful! The disciples **shut the doors at the evening**. Logically, it is reasonable. For now, shutting the doors on the last days is also considered something normal.

Why does God allow us to face the shut doors--fear, worry, and stress--?

He does it for making the church of God on the last days see Jesus who has risen and brought peace.

Jesus had risen, and He came in the house whose doors were shut, and said, "Peace be with you," to take away the fear and stress. Ministering to God but being unable to see Jesus who is risen means that we are like the disciples who shut the door because of fear and stress.

Tonight, let God open our spiritual eyes, so we can see Him who has risen and brought peace.

Psalm 17: 15

17:15. As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness.

The disciples experienced peace as soon as they saw Jesus. They were glad and had no more fear. On the last days, we make effort to see Jesus in His resurrection, so we experience peace and joy.

'I will see Your face in righteousness' means that we see Jesus who has risen and brought peace in the revelation of the Word of God. There is no Jesus without the revelation of the Word, but just illusion.

The revelation of the Word means that one verse explains the other verses in the Holy Bible. It is the same as the true teaching Word.

The true teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword is the same as the trumpet sound that has the power of

resurrection.

1 Corinthians 15: 51-25

15:51. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed--

15:52. in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, <u>at the last trumpet</u>. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

At the last trumpet, the dead will be raised in the body of glory, and we who live and hear the trumpet sound will be changed into perfection like Jesus. Both of them will become one body. It is the power of resurrection in the true teaching Word or trumpet sound.

The disciples had shut the doors, but Jesus was still able to come in. it is the power of resurrection.

It means that the revival of the true teaching Word cannot be blocked by anything including money, regulation, and organization. The revival of the true teaching Word will increase up to the peak, namely the one of Holy Spirit in the last rain to help the church of God who is in fear, worry, and stress to get peace.

After committing the ministry, we often quarrel and grumble, so there is no peace. We who have heard the true teaching Word must testify to others, so they also experience peace from God.

The more the Word of God is revealed, the more God opens the doors for us.

If we do not prioritize the true teaching Word in the ministry, the doors in the world will be shut for us, even the door of heaven is shut too, so we are destroyed forever.

Let us prioritize the true teaching Word!

The process of seeing the face of Jesus who has risen is as follows:

1. Seeing Jesus' side.

John 20: 20

20:20. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and <u>His side</u>. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

John 19: 32-34

19:32. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him.

19:33. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

19:34. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

Approaching the Sabbath, the dead body had to be taken down. If one has not died yet, his legs must be broken, so he dies quickly to be taken down. The first and second criminals had not died yet, so their legs were broken. But Jesus had died, so His legs might not be broken, but the soldiers pierced His side with a spear.

Jesus died on the cross with four major injuries, namely two in the hands and two in the feet to redeem the Israelites, the chosen people from the sin. It is God's love.

Jesus had died, but He was willingly pierced at His side by the soldiers--the image of the Gentiles. It is the biggest and the deepest injury as God's mercy to redeem the sins of the Gentiles.

From the fifth injury, blood and water came out

So, the Gentiles must receive the sign of blood and water as follows:

• The blood sign refers to believing in God and repenting.

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Altar of Burnt Offerings. In the past time the animal offerings were slain, and its blood was used for the remission of sins. But now the animal offerings have been fulfilled by Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

Seeing Jesus' face starts from repenting.

The true teaching Word shows the hidden sins, so we can realize, regret, and confess to God and others. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven! We return to God (repenting).

1 Peter 2: 1

2:1. Therefore, laying aside all malice⁽¹⁾, all deceit⁽²⁾, hypocrisy⁽³⁾, envy⁽⁴⁾, and all evil speaking⁽⁵⁾,

Repenting means laying aside the five major sins by the fifth injury at Jesus side, of which the blood came out. We can repent when we do not commit those sins anymore.

The five major sins are as follows:

a. Malice. The root of wickedness is the love of money, so one does not love God. The fact found in it is being greedy and stingy.

Stinginess means that one cannot give for God's working and others who are in need.

Greediness means that one steals the possession of others especially God's, namely the tithe and special offerings.

The shepherd often asks the congregation to return the tithe, but he himself does not return it.

Stinginess and greediness are the same as the idolatry or the worship to the Antichrist.

It is the root of sinand it will grow like the plant which has the root.

The matter of giving or not does not depend on being rich or poor, but being bound by money--the love of money--or by God--loving God. If one loves God, he will be able to give.

For example, the church of Macedonia can give although there are poor and in a great trial.

- b. Deceit or lying. Do not lie anymore!
- c. Hypocrisy, the things inside and outside are not same. For now, the dangerous thing is pretending to be good or rich. The shepherd pretends to be good. The fact found in it is not feeding the congregation. The congregation also pretends to be good, namely one sends something for the shepherd, but he does not eat the shepherding Word.

Hypocrisy must be changed into sincerity. Hypocrisy just covers the destruction like the tomb.

- d. Envy, namely hatred up to hatred without a cause.
- e. Evil speaking, namely the true thing becomes false, and the opposite.

The five sins must be removed first. Otherwise, we will not be able to repent, moreover become perfect.

• The water sign refers to the true water baptism.

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Brazen Laver.

Seeing Jesus' face starts from repenting and entering the true water baptism.

The true teaching Word leads us to the true water baptism. The true water baptism is that one who has believed in Jesus and died to sin or repented must be buried in the water with Jesus and come out or rise from water with Him to receive new life or the heavenly one--the heavens are opened--, namely <u>life in the anointing of Holy Spirit</u>. Being buried means that our body, from top to toe, enters the water.

1 Peter 2: 2

2:2. as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby,

The verse 1 is repenting or being dead to sin.

The new life or the heavenly one means that we become the same as newborn babes who desire the pure milk of the Word--the repeated true teaching Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit or the shepherding Word.

Physically, a baby needs the pure milk, namely the breast milk. Spiritually, a baby desires the pure milk of the Word, namely the true teaching Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

A mother breastfeeds her baby repeatedly in the morning, day, night, and so on.

The repeated Word is the shepherding one. The main duty of the shepherd is feeding the congregation, namely the repeated Word to grow us.

If our food is true, we will live in righteousness. Further, we will experience peace. There is no more fear.

Hebrews 12: 11

12:11. Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Actually, we do not need to be chastened. The true food is enough, and then we live in righteousness, so we experience **peace**--there are no more fear, worry, and stress.

But we often reject the Word, so we must experience chastening.

The preaching of the true teaching Word is the rope of God's love. If we keep rejecting the Word, the rope will be spun to become chastening.

Let us receive the Word! We repent and enter the water baptism, so we are reborn. Our main yearning is the true teaching Word or the true food. If we eat the true food repeatedly, our life will be true and the heart will experience peace.

Psalm 37: 25-26

37:25. I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread

37:26. He is ever merciful, and lends; And his descendants are blessed.

If we live in righteousness--not depending on being rich, poor, clever, or fool--, we will not be forsaken by God.

It is the power of resurrection that makes us live in righteousness as well as gives peace and blessing up to the descendants; even we become the blessing for others up to the eternal life. We do not make the heart of God grieved.

2. Seeing Jesus' nail-pierced hands.

John 20: 20

20:20. When He had said this, He showed them <u>His hands</u>and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

It means as follows:

We work like Jesus does.

Jesus works in the true ordination, namely according to the true teaching Word. Do not be careless in the ministry! The example is Cain and Abel. The ministry of Abel was accepted by God, but Cain's was rejected. If the teaching is false, how can we minister righteously? The ministry must be based on the true teaching Word.

We work in holiness like Jesus. It is the requirement to become the priests, not being rich, poor, old, or young.
Exodus 29: 1

29:1. "And this is what you shall do to them to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests: Take one young bull and two rams without blemish,

The title is Aaron and His Sons Consecrated.

Aaron was the High Priest, and his sons were the priests. Jesus is the High Priest and we are the priests. The requirement is holiness. That is why we must see Jesus' hands. Jesus works in holiness, and so do we. It is false if one ministers to God so he can repent and live in holiness. We must repent first, enter the water baptism, live in righteousness and holiness, and then we may minister to God. It is according to the Word, so it is true.

The requirement to live in holiness is that the priest must be in the Holy Place. In the past time, God showed the heavenly kingdom to Moses, and he was ordered to make the heavenly kingdom on the earth, namely the Tabernacle. The Tabernacle has three rooms. The condition outside the heavenly kingdom is like the wilderness. It means the world that is lost in the sins. Entering the heavenly kingdom starts from the Court, namely believing in Jesus, repenting, and entering the water baptism. Further, we enter the Holy Place and the Most Holy Place.

Leviticus 21: 12

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 title is Regulations for Conduct of Priests.

There are three tools in the Holy Place, namely the Golden Candlestick, the Table of Showbread, and the Golden Altar of Incense. It refers to the perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God.

Acts 2: 41-42

2:41. Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.

2:42. And they <u>continued steadfastly</u>in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

'three thousand' refers to the quantity and quality, namely 2000 (the Holy Place: 20 x 10 x10) + 1000 (the Most Holy

Place: 10 x10 x 10). So, we must enter the Holy Place after being baptized.

The perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God or the one in the shepherding are as follows:

- a. The Golden Candlestick refers to the perseverance in committing the General Service. We have fellowship with Holy Spirit God in His anointing and gifts.
- b. The Table of Showbread refers to the perseverance in committing the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion. We have fellowship with the Son of God in the teaching Word and the sacrifice of Christ.
- c. The Golden Altar of Incense refers to the perseverance in committing the Prayer Service. We have fellowship with Father God in His love.

The real sheepfold is not about its place, but the perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God. We can keep ministering although we are in the hospital.

Genesis 37: 2-3

37:2. This is the history of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was <u>feeding the flock</u>with his brothers. And the lad was with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father.

37:3. Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he was the son of his old age. Also he made him a tunic of many colors.

Jesus was in the temple of God (the shepherding) when He was twelve years old.

Joseph persevered in the shepherding when he was seventeen years old.

So, the age of twelve up to seventeen years old is the effective age to be shepherded, because it is the strength of the lust of the flesh.

'Joseph brought a bad report of them to his father' is the fact that Joseph is <u>faithful and obedient</u>. It is the result of the shepherding. The spiritual food influences the spiritual growth, so we can fight the sin until we have the life in holiness.

It is okay to look for knowledge at the age of twelve up to seventeen years old, but we may not forget to be shepherded. Remember the age of Noah! There were no youth or teenagers who were saved from the floods in the age of Noah, because they were not shepherded. Those who entered Noah's ark (the sheepfold) were saved.

If we live in holiness, God will trust us with <u>the tunic of many colors</u>. It refers to the gift of Holy Spirit and the ministry to be used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ.

Ephesians 4: 11-12

4:11. And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers

4:12. for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

Verse 11 is the five main ministries which can be divided into the usher, choir, musicians, prayer team, *et cetera*. Holy Spirit's gift is the miraculous ability from Holy Spirit. The flesh will not be able to do the ministry.

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

In the marriage, a husband loves his wife, a wife submits to her husband, and child obeys his parents. In the shepherding, the shepherd takes care of and feeds the congregation.

The tunic of many colors is threatened to be taken by Satan, so we are naked.

The safest way is that the robe must be dipped in the blood of Jesus, so we keep having the tunic of many colors until the finish line, namely God's second coming.

It means that we willingly suffer or experience the sprinkling of blood or suffer in the flesh with Jesus to keep ministering to God faithfully and fervently according to the ministry and the gift that God gives to us until the finish line

We suffer for study and work, moreover for the tunic of many colors. We must fight or suffer.

Genesis 37: 31

37:31. So they took Joseph's tunic, killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the tunic in the blood.

Jesus willingly died on the cross; even He was stripped to give the tunic of many colors to us. Do not be naked these days!

1 Corinthians 15: 57-58

15:57. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victorythrough our Lord Jesus Christ.

15:58. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, <u>always abounding in the work of the Lord</u>, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

The real victory is the one over the death. There is the sting of death at the previous verses.

If we can minister to God faithfully and fervently according to the ministry and the gift of Holy Spirit until Jesus comes a second time, we will experience the power of resurrection, namely **the victory over the death**. We will not be stripped.

Judas Iscariot was not only stripped, but also he burst open in the middle. His life was truly sad and not beautiful. Whoever we are, no matter our ministry, let us return to the tunic of many colors.

<u>As a result</u>, the power of resurrection is able to give the beautiful and successful future although we are so limited in this world. The thing that has been destroyed can be beauty.

For example, Joseph was put into the jail. He could not do anything and was limited, but whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper because of his holiness. God's mercy helped Joseph.

3. Seeing Jesus' face.

John 20: 20

20:20. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they <u>saw the</u> Lord.

Revelation 1: 16

1:16. He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and <u>His countenance was</u> like the sun shining in its strength.

'His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength' is the same condition as Jesus' climbing on the Mount to worship

So, in the worship we can see Jesus' face which is like the sun shining in the strength.

Previously, in the teaching we get the righteousness, peace, and God's blessing. Further, in the shepherding we receive the holiness, including beautiful and successful future. Now, in the worship we will experience the biggest miracle, namely **the renewal of life**from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones.

These days we must be active in the worship, namely an hour prayer, fasting prayer, and all night-long prayer like what Jesus has taught.

The fear is changed into the fear of God.

It means as follows:

• Hating sins up to perverse mouth.

Proverbs 8: 13

8:13. The fear of the LORD is to hate evil; Pride and arrogance and the evil way And the perverse mouth I hate.

o Not rejecting the thing God asks from us.

Genesis 22: 10-12

22:10. And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

22:11. But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" So he said, "Here I am."

22:12. And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now <u>I know that you fear God</u>, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

God asked the only son of Abraham, and he did it, because he loved God more than anything in this world. How much more if God asks our sin tonight. Give it! Give to God anything He asks from us!

• Making peace. It means that the God of peace or Jesus as the merciful High Priest is reigning in our life.

Proverbs 14: 26

The results are as follows:

Jesus as the High Priest crushes Satan under our feet.

Romans 16: 20

16:20. And the God of peacewill crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Satan is the source of the things as follows:

a. The sins up to the peak. If we live in righteousness and holiness, fear of God, and have peace, God will crush the sins up to the peak tonight.

The peak of sin means as follows:

- i. The sins of eating-drinking, namely smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse.
- ii. The sins of marrying-giving in marriage, namely fornication between man and woman who are not husband and wife, spectacle that is not good, false marriage, mixed-marriage, and divorceremarrying.
- b. The impossible problem in economy, disease, future, et cetera. If we have the peaceful heart, God will finish it
- c. The tears. God is able to wipe our tears and change it into the heavenly bliss.

o 1 Thessalonians 5: 23-24

5:23. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

5:24. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it.

We often lie, but He never lies.

The second result is that Jesus is faithful and will do it for us.

It means as follows:

a. Physically, God is able to protect and take care of us in the midst of the difficulties of the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. Keep the peaceful heart! The righteousness is able to give peaceful heart. In holiness we are more peaceful, and in the fear of God there is strong confidence.

The peaceful heart means that we do not feel anything that flesh feels such as worry, fear, uncleanness, wickedness, *et cetera*, but we just feel the great love of God.

The peaceful heart will increase until Jesus says: "Peace be with you". It means that Jesus will pass through the shut doors. May be we often shut our heart. Let us open it!

b. Spiritually, He sanctifies our body, soul, and spirit up to perfection like Him.
We will be lifted up on the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time. We say: "Alleluia". We enter the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace (the upcoming Paradise) and the New Jerusalem forever.

God looks for the peaceful heart no matter our condition is. Jesus as the High Priest acts in the midst of us.

God blesses us.