

Prayer Service in Malang, April 18, 2023 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:9

19:9. *Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."*

The marriage supper of the Lamb refers to the meeting between Jesus, who comes a second time in the glory as the King of all kings or the Heavenly Bridegroom, and the perfect church or the heavenly bride. It is the perfect marriage to enter the Paradise and the New Jerusalem.

We must become God's bride to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God. Who is God's bride?

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

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, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

4:15. *For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep.*

4:16. *For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.*

4:17. *Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.*

4:18. *Therefore comfort one another with these words.*

The heavenly bride can be divided as follows:

1. The Christians who live until God comes a second time.

Revelation 12:1,14

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.*

12:14. *But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.*

They will appear in heaven like Jesus, and then they will be evacuated to the wilderness with the two wings of a great eagle, far from the eyes of the Antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years.

2. The Christians who die in Jesus.

They will be risen in the body of glory like Jesus when He comes a second time and those who live in Jesus will be perfected in the body of glory. Both of them become one perfect body of Christ or the heavenly Bride who is worthy to greet Jesus when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

It is a secret.

It means as follows:

- Some Christians do not know that there are some Christians who die, and some Christians who live until Jesus comes.
- Some Christians know that both those who die and those who live in Jesus will become one perfect body of Christ.

So, our life and death are God's business. It is not important for us. The important thing is that we must hear and obey the trumpet sound as long as we live, so we experience the renewal of life.

The trumpet sound refers to the true teaching Word that is hard and sharper than any two-edged sword.

Matthew 24:31-32

24:31. *"And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.*

24:32. *"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near.*

All Christians in the world from both the Israelites and Gentiles must hear and obey the trumpet sound to experience the renewal of life, namely to become tender like the fig tree, so we can bear the sweet fruits up to perfection.

What must be changed?

Jeremiah 17:1

17:1. "The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron; With the point of a diamond it is engraved On the tablet of their heart, And on the horns of your altars,

The hard heart is the one that keeps sinning. He does not want to confess, but blames at others and God. Consequently, his sin is engraved in the heart and altars, so it becomes permanent. It means that there is no more forgiveness. He withers spiritually. It means not being fervent in the spiritual thing but only in the physical thing.

The hard heart just results in the idle words, namely lie, gossip, evil speaking, and blasphemy.

The loud voice of a trumpet is able to change us from the hard heart to the tender one, namely gentleness and being lowly in heart. Gentleness means that one can receive the true teaching Word no matter how hard it is--God Himself--, and also receive others in their weakness and superiority--forgiving and forgetting it.

Lowliness in heart means that one can confess his sin. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven! He also can receive the reality in his life.

The tender heart encourages us to confess and forgive one another. As a result, the blood of Jesus takes away all of our sins. It means that Jesus drinks the sour wine mingled with gall and He pours out Holy Spirit in our heart.

The tender heart is the place of Holy Spirit.

The tender heart results in the tender words as follows:

1. The true and good words, so we can become the witness of Jesus as well as the blessing for others.

1 Peter 3:10

3:10. For "He who would love life And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit.

2. The tender tongue is anointed by Holy Spirit, so we can worship God with a broken heart.

Romans 8:26

8:26. Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

We feel that we are unworthy--we have many sins--, incapable, and worthless. We just surrender to God and cry out His name.

Romans 8:27-28

8:27. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

8:28. And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

As a result, God makes all things good. The thing that has been destroyed or broken can be good. The miracle happens; from nothing to something. God is able to protect and take care of our life in the midst of the increasing difficulties in the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years.

Jonah 2:1-2,6-7,10

2:1. Then Jonah prayed to the LORD his God from the fish's belly.

2:2. And he said: "I cried out to the LORD because of my affliction, And He answered me. "Out of the belly of Sheol I cried, And You heard my voice.

2:6. I went down to the moorings of the mountains; The earth with its bars closed behind me forever; Yet You have brought up my life from the pit, O LORD, my God.

2:7. "When my soul fainted within me, I remembered the LORD; And my prayer went up to You, Into Your holy temple.

2:10. So the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land.

Jonah prayed with a broken heart when he drowned in the sea. There was the power of lifting up, namely the falling into sin could become life in righteousness and holiness. Failure becomes success and beauty. Laboring and being heavy laden become peace, so all things become easy and light.

Luke 22:61-62

22:61. And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, "Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times."

22:62. So Peter went out and wept bitterly.

Peter worshipped with a broken heart, so he experienced the renewal of life. Denying God became obedience. He could stretch out his hands to God.

John 21:17-18

21:17. He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" And he said to Him, "Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep.

21:18. "Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish."

There is the power to take away the impossibilities. Nothing is impossible for God. We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain until God comes a second time.

When Jesus comes a second time, those who die will be risen and those who live will be changed to greet Jesus' second coming.

God blesses us.