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

Revelation 4: 4

4:4. Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads.

Around the throne were twenty-four elders. They are divided into two groups as follows:

1. The twelve apostles at the first rain.
2. The twelve apostles at the last rain.

It reminds us about the tool in Tabernacle namely the Table of Showbread with the twelve loaves on the table.

We learn the meaning of the twelve loaves as follows:

1. **Leviticus 24: 5-6**

24:5 "And you shall take fine flour and bake twelve cakes with it. Two-tenths of an ephah shall be in each cake.

24:6 You shall set them in two rows, six in a row, on the pure gold table before the Lord.

The first meaning of twelve loaves is they are set in two rows, six in a row. We get the number 66.

The number 66 refers to 66 books in Bible.

Thus, the twelve loaves are the bread of life or the true teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

The table refers to the heart or our whole life that must be filled with the true teaching Word. Otherwise, it will be filled by vomit.

2. **The meaning of twelve loaves is fellowship.** The loaves are laid out neatly.

Thus, the true teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword encourages us to enter the fellowship of the body of Christ. It encourages us to be active in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ.

The fellowship starts from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, until the perfect body of Christ - the Gentiles and Israel become the perfect bride of heaven that is ready to greet Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

After that, we enter the marriage supper of the Lamb, and we enter the paradise or a thousand years kingdom of peace. Then, we enter the New Jerusalem. We sit together with Jesus on the throne forever; it is like the twenty four elders around the throne.

The conclusion is our heart and mind or whole our life must be filled by the true teaching Word thus it encourages us to be active and involved in ministry until we become the bride of heaven.

Being active in the building of the body of Christ is like putting Jesus as the Head on His body (our life). Let us be active in ministry so Jesus will become the head upon our life.

If we are inactive in ministry, the foxes and birds will become the head. It means our life is led by evil and uncleanness until we perish forever.

Being active in ministry means one puts Jesus as the Head.

There are two connections of the Head and Body.

1. **The first connection: the holiness.**

Ephesians 5: 25-27

5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

5:26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

5:27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Jesus as the Head and the Bridegroom of heaven willingly dies on the cross and gives His life to purify His body - the bride of heaven - with water and the Word. It means the double purification through the water baptism and the rain of the true teaching Word.

Thus, we must willingly to sacrifice anything. We are willing to be buried in the true water baptism and the true teaching Word. Especially we persevere in doing Bible study service and Holy Communion. Jesus gives His life to purify us, so we must sacrifice also.

What must be purified?

The heart and mind, it means our whole life must be purified by God.

The heart and mind contain two things as follows:

- a. The will of evil. It is like the little foxes that we do not realize.

Song of Solomon 2: 15

2:15 Catch us the foxes, the little foxes that spoil the vines, for our vines have tender grapes.

The evil will is the one of money namely stinginess and greediness.

- i. The stinginess means one cannot give for others.
- ii. The greediness means one takes other's until God's (the tithe and special offering). It is like Judas Iscariot who takes other's.

It is also about envy and grumble.

The little foxes spoil the flowers of vines.

Flower means something which is beautiful.

It means the life will suffer if there is a fox.

- b. The will of uncleanness. It is like the boar which uproots and devours the vines.

Psalms 80: 8, 13

80:8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; You have cast out the nations, and planted it.

80:13 The boar out of the woods uproots it, and the wild beast of the field devours it.

The will of uncleanness refers to the sin of eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.

- i. The sin of eating-drinking is smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse.
- ii. The sin of marrying-being given in marriage is fornication and its kinds, sexual deviation (homosexuality, lesbianism, sexuality to oneself), and the wrong marriage. It makes the vines die.

The will of evil makes the life suffer.

The will of uncleanness (the boar) makes the vine die or perish forever.

Let us willingly sacrifice all things to be purified two times through the water Baptism and the rain of the true teaching Word.

If the heart and mind are purified from the will of evil (the foxes) and uncleanness (the boar), we have the fruits of holiness or the sweet ones.

The result is as follows: *'My Father is the vinedresser, My Father is the Overseer, My Father is the defense'*. It means we are cared directly by God abundantly and He defends us so we will not fall in ministry until the end line - Jesus comes a second time.

It is the connection between the Head and Body that is the holiness until we bear the fruit of holiness.

2. The connection between the Head and Body is the neck or the worship prayer.

Matthew 17: 1-2

17:1 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

17:2 and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

Another verse says: they are alone to pray.

The worship prayer is the process of ripping the flesh with all of its lusts and desires so we receive the sunlight of God's

love.

Nowadays, we may face a lot of dark things falls in sin, the physical failures, stalemate, *et cetera*. Let us fix it. We fill our life with the teaching Word and perseverance in service and ministry. So we will put Jesus as the head. We can worship Him and see His face until the sun illuminates our life. It illuminates the dark sin, the dark marriage and children, even the dark economy.

If we see Jesus or worship Him, we will feel the sunlight of His love. The results are as follows:

a. **Psalm 84: 11**

84:11 For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.

'Those who walk uprightly' means honesty.

The first result is the sunlight of God's love becomes a shield in our life to protect us from the fire arrow of evil, as follows:

- i. Protecting us from the sins up to the peak of sin so we live in righteousness and holiness.
- ii. Protecting us from the false teaching and gossips so we hold fast and obey the true teaching Word.
- iii. Protecting us from the disaster in this world such as illness, accident, catastrophe, *et cetera*. We are protected by God.
- iv. Protecting us from the punishment of God that will come - doomsday - so we can live eternally together with Him.

b. **The second result is the sunlight or the love, grace, kindness of God is able to make everything become good, successful, beautiful, and joyful.**

The thing that is dark becomes light, the ruin becomes good, and we experience the joy of heaven that cannot be affected by anything in this world.

c. **The third result is the sunlight or the glory of God that will change us from carnal man to spiritual one like Jesus.** Being honest and trusting God makes beaming face.

We have gloomy face when we are in doubt about whether God can help us or not.

If we are honest and trust God (the sincere faith) - it is like the sunlight - we have beaming face. We become the house of prayer and the miracles of God will happen.

The spiritual miracle is honesty and believing in God. The physical miracle also happens.

The example is Jairus. The Gentiles can feel the sunlight of God's love and we can say honestly and trust God. On the contrary, the scribes - the Israel - they do not say honestly nor trust in God, but they trap Him.

Mark 5: 21-24, 35-36, 41-43

5:21 Now when Jesus had crossed over again by boat to the other side, a great multitude gathered to Him; and He was by the sea.

5:22 And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet

5:23 and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live."

5:24 So Jesus went with him, and a great multitude followed Him and thronged Him.

5:35 While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?"

5:36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not be afraid; only believe."

5:41 Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "Talitha, cumi," which is translated, "Little girl, I say to you, arise."

5:42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement.

5:43 But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat.

Jairus kept honest and trusting God even his daughter lay at the point of death. He said honestly that his daughter

nearly died and he trusted the Lord so He helped him.

At that time, the Lord also faced a woman who had a flow of blood until at verse 35.

If we are honest and trust God, the miracle will happen. When we see the problem becomes harder even impossible, we must keep honest and trusting. We see the sunlight of God's love, and then the power of the resurrection of Jesus is able to raise the dead things.

God is able to recover the physical things that have already died as long as are honest and trust Him.

Spiritually, God is able to restore the rotten and unclean that lives in sin up to the peak like the dead daughter of Jairus so that they can become right and holy in front of Him.

Our marriage and children might be dark, dead, and broken. God is able to recover it to become the right, holy, and one marriage in God.

Until the last miracle when Jesus comes a second time, we become perfect as He is. We are worthy to greet His second coming on glorious clouds. We sit together with Him on the throne of heaven forever like the twenty four elders around the throne.

God blesses us.