Prayer Service in Malang, August 19, 2021 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 14 refers to the seven sprinkling bloods in front of the Ark of the Covenant. It refers to the flesh suffering of the church of God together with Jesus. This is the last purification for the church of God to reach the perfection.

Revelation 14 is divided into three parts as follows:

- 1. Verse 1-5 = the Church's following Jesus (It is explained in General Service in Malang, August 15,2021).
- 2. Verse 6-13 = the judgment.
- 3. Verse 14-20 = the harvest on earth.

We learn the first part, namely the church's following Jesus.

Revelation 14:1

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

"one hundred and forty-four thousand" refers to the core of the Bride of Heaven which is the twelve tribes of Israel.

Thus, the church's following Jesus is signified by the sprinkling of blood that leads to the Mount Zion. It is the purification that increases to the flawlessness.

This means following God solemnly or the spiritual race.

Hebrews 12:1-3

12:1 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us <u>lay aside every weight</u>, and <u>the sin</u> which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

12:2 <u>looking unto Jesus</u>, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and <u>has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God</u>.

12:3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

The conditions for following God until we reach the perfection are as follows:

- 1. "*lay aside every weight*" refers to leaving all the sins that we have done, said, and thought, through reconciliation that is confessing and forgiving the sins each other.
 - When we are forgiven, do not sin anymore.

When we are right, we forgive and forget other's sin.

As a result, the blood of Jesus wipes our sins. We leave all sins. It means that the blood of Jesus sets us free from sins, so we can repent and stop sinning. This is the beginning of perfection.

"the sin which so easily ensnares us" refers to leaving the sin which ensnares.
The sin that ensnares us is installed by Satan on the way that we used to pass through, so we are entangled and we fall.

The way that we used to pass through is in the ministry, marriage, office, school, *et cetera*. The sin that ensnares us is the arrogance, disappointment, and desperation. It makes us disobey the will of God.

For example, Eve used to living in Eden and Satan put the snare in it.

When we disobey God, we are made fall by Satan. Do not play with the snare of sin, because it will drag us.

James 1:13-15

1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.

1:14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

1:15 Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Disobedience is refusing the will of God and following the own will that looks better and more alluring than the voice of God. This is the sin that snares, ties, and drags us, so we fall in temptation. After that, we fall in sin and we are tied. It results in death forever.

Be careful, a lot of servants of God fall in front of the door of heaven. They feel entering the heaven but actually not.

Matthew 7:21-23

7:21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

7:22 "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

7:23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!"

Why do they fall in front of the door of heaven? They fall because of the arrogance and disappointment up to disobedience. Thus, a lot of servants of God fall in front of the door of heaven because their ministry is not according to the will of God.

If we leave the burden of sin and avoid the sin that snare us, our following Jesus will be signified by the sprinkling of blood that makes us feel easy and light until we reach the door of the kingdom of heaven. If the door of heaven is open, the door on earth will be open for us. If we disobey the word, we will stop on the middle of our way.

3. "*looking unto Jesus*" refers to the eyes looking unto Jesus who sits down at the right hand of the throne of God, Jesus as the High Priest, the Great Shepherd, and the King of kings.

Hebrews 12:2

12:2 <u>looking unto Jesus</u>, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Looking unto Jesus means as follows:

- The High Priest as the Chief of Ministry. It means that we minister to God in faithfulness and fervency according to the ministry that He entrusts until the end line.
- We worship Jesus as the High Priest, the Great Shepherd, and the King of kings, so we experience the ripping of flesh fully. We experience the life renewal from carnal man to spiritual one like Jesus, namely we are not weak, doubtful, nor proud in facing anything in this world as well as the second coming of Jesus. It means being strong and of good courage.

Hebrews 12:3

12:3 For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

Psalms 27: 14

27:14 Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!

Do not waver!

Being strong and of good courage means trusting and entrusting our life to God, worshiping Him, and relying on the faithfulness and loving kindness of the High Priest.

The example and the result are as follows:

 Job became strong and of good courage in facing the impossible problems in economy, marriage and children, and the illness.

James 5:10-11

5:10 My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience. 5:11 Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord--that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

The proof that Job was strong and of good courage is the perseverance in shepherding, patience in suffering, giving thanks and worshiping God, and patience in waiting His time.

29:4 Just as I was in the days of my prime, When the friendly counsel of God was over my tent;

In suffering, let us return to the tent and patience in waiting God's time. Do not make our way that is outside the word!

Let us worship Him a lot. He will stretch out His loving kindness hands to bless us doubly. It means the abundant blessing in physical life, marriage (we become holy, right, and one), and perfection.

- Joshua became strong and of good courage in facing the revival to Canaan. It refers to the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ.
 - Joshua 1:6-7,9,18

1:6 "Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.

1:7 "Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."

1:18 "Whoever rebels against your command and does not heed your words, in all that you command him, shall be put to death. Only be strong and of good courage."

The things that Joshua faced are as follows:

- a. The Jordan river. It is the flesh with its will and lust. Joshua was strong and of good courage, so he kept obedient.
- b. The false teachings. We must be strong and of good courage and hold the true teaching word.
- c. The false worship. We must be strong and of good courage in worshiping God that is the worshiping with the voice "Alleluia".

Revelation 19:1,3-4,6

19:1 After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power belong to the Lord our God!

19:3 Again they said, "Alleluia! Her smoke rises up forever and ever!"

19:4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sat on the throne, saying, "Amen! Alleluia!"

19:6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!

It starts from the earth that we worship God until we are in the glorious clouds. We worship God until we reach the heaven.

Facing any problems, we must be strong and of good courage. The important thing is being in patience and perseverance.

 $\circ~$ David was strong and of good courage in facing the work of the sword of the Word.

2 Samuel 12:12-14

12:12 'For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, before the sun."

12:13 So David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." And Nathan said to David, "The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die.

12:14 "However, because by this deed you have given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also who is born to you shall surely die."

David fell in sin with Bathsheba but he was humble and gentle in receiving the teaching word that was sharper than any two-edged sword. His sin was revealed, and then he realized, regretted, and confessed.

This is the work of the purification sword and the life renewal to become honest. The hands of the High Priest are able to restore us, so we can live in righteousness and holiness. We are employed by God. We are lifted up from the failure to become successful and beautiful in time.

Matthew 1:1

1:1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham.

David could receive the first coming of Jesus. It means that if we are willing to be purified and changed to become perfect, we can greet His second coming. We will enter the Paradise and the New Jerusalem forever.

Leave the burden, avoid the sin that snares us, and look unto God! We worship God a lot until we are strong and of good courage. The hands of the High Priest are able to help us.

God blesses us.