

Prayer Service in Malang, December 29, 2015 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Psalms 107:1

107:1. Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

We give thanks because of God's mercy and kindness during 2015.

We give thanks because of God's mercy and kindness in **three things** as follows:

1. God's mercy and kindness that **redeem** us from the hand of the enemy, namely the power of sin.

Psalms 107:2-3

107:2. Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy,

107:3. And gathered out of the lands, From the east and from the west, From the north and from the south.

1 Peter 1:18-19

1:18. knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,

1:19. but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

We are redeemed from sins up to the peak of sin by the power of Jesus' blood. We are set free from sin and justified by God to live in righteousness.

In the end of 2015, do not keep sinning or adding sin, but we must finish our sins by the power of Jesus' blood, namely we confess our sin to God and others. If we are forgiven, do not sin anymore.

The results are as follows:

- We are saved and blessed until our descendants and we become blessing for other.

Proverbs 10:2-3

10:2. Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, But righteousness delivers from death.

10:3. The LORD will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked.

- We experience peace and quietness. Everything becomes easy and light, we do not bear our labor and heavy burden anymore.

Isaiah 32:17

32:17. The work of righteousness will be peace, And the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever.

2. God's mercy and kindness give us **extra power**, so we keep faithful and good, faithful and trustworthy in ministering God.

1 Timothy 1:12

1:12. And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry,

Being good means we minister God with good conscience or have no purpose to get physical advantage. We minister to God to do our duty and sacrifice without demanding the right or wages. If we have good conscience, our deed and word will be good too.

We must be right first and we will surely be good.

If we are good only, we are indefinitely right.

Let us keep fighting so we keep faithful and good, and we can be trusted in the ministry until the last line, up to death or until God comes a second time

Matthew 25:21

25:21. "His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

The results are as follows:

- Experiencing heavenly bliss that cannot be influenced by anything in the middle of sufferings in the world.
- We are trusted in the ministry of the building of the body of Christ.

3. God's mercy and kindness give **the revelation of the word** to us.

Psalms 119:62

119:62. At midnight I will rise to give thanks to You, Because of Your righteous judgments.

Proverbs 28:9

28:9. One who turns away his ear from hearing the law, Even his prayer is an abomination.

We give thanks to God because we receive the revelation of the word. Without it, everything is an abomination.

Our attitude must be as follows:

- Holding-fast true teaching word. Do not mix it with false teaching.
- Enjoying the revelation of the word. It is the same as hearing and obeying the true teaching word.

This is the characteristic of the shepherded sheep.

We live in the hand of the Chief Shepherd.

The results are as follows:

- The hand of Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, is able to give the certainty to take care of our life now in the middle of difficulties in the desert until we have eternal life.

John 10:27-28

10:27. "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

10:28. "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

Chief Shepherd's hand is able to give victory over the enemies and sins, so we can live in righteousness and holiness.

All problems until the impossible ones are finished by God.

- The hand of Jesus, the Chief Shepherd, is able to exalt us in due time.
We are used to glorify God.

1 Peter 5:4-6

5:4. and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

5:5. Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

5:6. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

God's hand is able to give successful and beautiful future. We are purified and changed little by little, starting from not lying.

We are honest in teaching and all things.

Until when Jesus comes a second time, we are changed to become as glorious as God.

God blesses us.