Prayer Service in Malang, January 10, 2023 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 18:22-24

18:22. "The sound of harpists, musicians, flutists, and trumpeters shall not be heard in you anymore. No craftsman of any craft shall be found in you anymore, and the sound of a millstone shall not be heard in you anymore.

18:23. "The light of a lamp shall not shine in you anymore, and the voice of bridegroom and bride shall not be heard in you anymore. For your merchants were the great men of the earth, for by your sorcery all the nations were deceived. 18:24. "And in her was found the blood of prophets and saints, and of all who were slain on the earth."

Babylon is punished because of the things as follows:

- 1. Verse 22-23, namely the sin of uncleanness.
- 2. Verse 24, namely the sin of evil.

The uncleanness means as follows:

1. <u>The transgression of the laws in the household, organization, *et cetera*, including the one of the Word. Isaiah 24:5,8</u>

24:5. The earth is also defiled under its inhabitants, Because they have transgressed the laws, Changed the ordinance, Broken the everlasting covenant.

24:8. The mirth of the tambourine ceases, The noise of the jubilant ends, The joy of the harp ceases.

Verse 8 - There are no more sounds just as in the book of Revelation.

2. Not obeying the prophetic Word or the repeated one for twenty-three years.

Jeremiah 25:1-7

25:1. The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah (which was the first year of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon),

25:2. which Jeremiah the prophet spoke to all the people of Judah and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying:

25:3. "From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah, even to this day, this is the twenty-third year in which the word of the LORD has come to me; and I have spoken to you, rising early and speaking, but you have not listened.

25:4. "And the LORD has sent to you all His servants the prophets, rising early and sending them, but you have not listened nor inclined your ear to hear.

25:5. "They said, 'Repent now everyone of his evil way and his evil doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD has given to you and your fathers forever and ever.

25:6. 'Do not go after other gods to serve them and worship them, and do not provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands; and I will not harm you.'

25:7. "Yet you have not listened to Me," says the LORD, "that you might provoke Me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.

3. <u>Being against Jerusalem</u>. It means being against the New Jerusalem or the perfect heavenly bride. It means that one does not want to become perfect.

Ezekiel 26:1-2,7,12

26:1. And it came to pass in the eleventh year, on the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

26:2. "Son of man, because Tyre has said against Jerusalem, 'Aha! She is broken who was the gateway of the peoples; now she is turned over to me; I shall be filled; she is laid waste.'

26:7. "For thus says the Lord GOD: 'Behold, I will bring against Tyre from the north Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, king of kings, with horses, with chariots, and with horsemen, and an army with many people.

26:12. 'They will plunder your riches and pillage your merchandise; they will break down your walls and destroy your pleasant houses; they will lay your stones, your timber, and your soil in the midst of the water.

Ezekiel 26:1-4

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26:3. "Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: 'Behold, I am against you, O Tyre, and will cause many nations to come up against

you, as the sea causes its waves to come up.

26:4. 'And they shall destroy the walls of Tyre and break down her towers; I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.

Tyre was controlled by Babylon until it gave thanks because the gate of Jerusalem had been broken. It refers to the gate of the New Jerusalem.

The gate of the New Jerusalem is the four gospels that become the gateway of the people to receive salvation. It means the opportunity for the Gentiles to enter the heavenly kingdom.

Jesus dies on the cross with the injury at His side that is pierced for the Gentiles. It is used to build and open the gate of the New Jerusalem for the Gentiles.

Out of Jesus' side, the blood and water come. It means as follows:

- 1. The blood means repenting.
- 2. The water means being newly born from water, namely life in righteousness.

So, Tyre was cursed because it gave thanks when the gate of Jerusalem was broken.

It means that there is no chance for the Gentiles to enter the heavenly kingdom. It is the same as not giving thanks even rejecting the gate of the salvation for the Gentiles. It means rejecting the salvation.

Rejecting the salvation means that one does not want to repent and live in righteousness.

There was only one woman of Tyre who used the chance even though as the eye of a needle to receive the salvation.

Mark 7:24-30

7:24. From there He arose and went to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And He entered a house and wanted no one to know it, but He could not be hidden.

7:25. For <u>a woman</u>whose young daughter had an unclean spirit heard about Him, and she came and fell at His feet.

7:26. The woman was a Greek, a Syro-Phoenician by birth, and she kept asking Him to cast the demon out of her daughter.

7:27. But Jesus said to her, "Let the children be filled first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

7:28. And she answered and said to Him, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the children's crumbs."

7:29. Then He said to her, "For this saying go your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter."

7:30. And when she had come to her house, she found the demon gone out, and her daughter lying on the bed.

This woman used a chance to give thanks and enter the shepherding--being changed from dog to the shepherded sheep--, namely life in righteousness or life by faith. We just believe in God, who works for us.

Matthew 15:24

15:24. But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

Actually, Jesus comes for the lost sheep of the Israelites. For the Gentiles, the gate of the salvation is still a mystery--'*He entered a house and <u>wanted no one to know it</u>'.*

Romans 16:25-27

16:25. Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began

16:26. but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to <u>all nations</u>, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith--

16:27. to God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever. Amen.

'all nations' refers to the Gentiles.

After Jesus dies on the cross, the mystery since the world begins is opened for the Gentiles. It means that the gate of the salvation and the New Jerusalem are widely open for the Gentiles.

Revelation 18:6

18:6. "Render to her just as she rendered to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her.

Why are there the Gentiles who are punished with Babylon?

- Their own evil and uncleanness.
- Not believing in Christ's sacrifice that saves the Gentiles.
- It is the same as blaspheming Holy Spirit, namely one is against the working of Holy Spirit at the first rain, so he is not forgiven anymore.

That is why the Gentiles must be as the woman of Canaan in the region of Tyre who used the chance that was like the eye of a needle as follows:

- 1. <u>Entering the revival of Holy Spirit at the first rain</u>, namely we believe in Christ's sacrifice on the cross, so we are forgiven. We do not sin anymore but repent. Further, we enter the water baptism, so we are anointed by Holy Spirit to live in righteousness. We are saved and blessed by God; even we become the blessing for others.
- 2. <u>Entering the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain</u>, starting from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding until the Israelites and the Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ to place Jesus as the Head. Return to the righteousness, holiness, and unity of the marriage!

The closest relationship between the head and the body is neck. Neck refers to the worship.

Exodus 28:31-32

28:31. "You shall make the robe of the ephodall of <u>blue</u>. 28:32. "There shall be an opening for his head <u>in the middle of it</u>; it shall have a woven binding all around its opening, like the opening in a coat of mail, so that it does not tear.

'blue' refers to the power of resurrection.

'in the middle of it' refers to God's justice.

The worship of Jesus as the High Priest must become our prayer. Let us worship God these days. It is the revival of the last rain.

The results are as follows:

1. The worship is the way of the body to the Head. It means our way to become as perfect as Jesus through the power of the renewal of life.

Moses and Elijah were helped when Jesus was transfigured on the mount of prayer.

Moses who had been disobedient could become obedient.

Elijah who had been desperate could believe in God.

Now, we trust and obey God. We totally surrender to God, and He will stretch out His merciful hand to us.

2. The neck is the way of the Head to the body. It means that we receive all things from God in the worship. He willingly dies to give all things for us.

We experience the power of preservation and protection of God in the midst of the difficulties of the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world.

There is the power of winning over the enemies. We win over the sin, so we live in righteousness and holiness. We win over the failure, so all things become beautiful and successful.

There is the power of resurrection that is able to take away all of impossibilities. The dead thing becomes alive. In the pas time, Moses might not enter Canaan and he died. But on the mountain of prayer he could stand on Canaan. Do not give up! Do not get desperate!

When Jesus comes a second time, we will be changed to become as perfect as He is, so we are worthy to greet His coming on the glorious clouds. We enter the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace (the upcoming Paradise) and the New Jerusalem forever. The gate of the New Jerusalem is opened for us.

God blesses us.