Prayer Service in Malang, March 28, 2019 (Thursday Evening)

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

Exodus 5:1-24 is about the truth which is only in the Word of God. Thus, there is no truth outside the Word.

There are three kinds of truth in the Word (according to Exodus 5:1-24), namely the three kinds of our demand or main need as the servant of God as follows:

1. The feast in the true Word or the heavenly atmosphere that is towards the marriage supper of the lamb on the glorious clouds.

The feast which is outside the true Word will go towards the feast of slaughter up to the everlasting perdition in the hell.

Exodus 5:1

5:1 Afterward Moses and Aaron went in and told Pharaoh, "Thus says the LORD God of Israel: 'Let My people go, that they may hold a feast to Me in the wilderness.' "

There are three kinds of main feast as follows:

- The Feast of Passover.
- The Feast of first fruits.
- The Feast of Tabernacles or the marriage supper of the Lamb on the glorious clouds.

Satan and the ones who are in His influence will reject the feast of the true Word and receive the feast which is outside the true Word.

The feast which is outside the true Word is only based on lie and hatred or the characteristics of Satan. The lie and hatred bind men, so they do not understand the true Word, even reject it. Consequently, they lose the atmosphere of feast, live in sufferings, enter the feast of slaughter, and perish forever in the hell.

2. The service to God.

Exodus 5:3

5:3. So they said, "The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Please, let us go three days' journey into the desert and sacrifice to the LORD our God, lest He fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword."

It is the main need of every servant of God.

The servants of God who do not serve to Him will get the following consequences:

- Pestilence. It means that the sins become the characteristics or they are ingrained. It causes the spiritual death.
- $\circ\;$ The sword. It means that there is no peace, but the atmosphere of judgment.

The true service to God means as follows:

- Presenting our life to God with a willing heart or not of necessity and with joy.
- Offering the sacrifice to God. For example, we give our time, energy, thought, feeling, and someday our whole life to God.

Romans 12:1

12:1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

The requirements of offering our whole life to God are as follows:

- Living body. It means being controlled or anointed and filled up by Holy Spirit.
 We get it through the perseverance in doing the General Service or fellowship with Holy Spirit God.
 As a result, we can be alive or active, faithful, and fervent in spirit in our ministry to God.
- The holy body. It means being controlled by the true Word.
 We get it through the perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service with the Holy Communion.

As a result, we can live in holiness according to the truth of the Word.

The acceptable body. It means being controlled by the love of God.
 We get it through the perseverance in doing the Prayer Service.
 As a result, we can love God more than anything. We can obey the true Word.

The result of the true Word is the great mercy of God.

Insisting the physical wage or prioritizing the physical things in the service to God, one will get the physical thing, but he loses the great mercy of God. It means losing everything.

Therefore, we must serve and minister to God correctly, namely with offering and the serious heart, so our service and ministry can satisfy and please Him. As a result, God will satisfy us. We get the heavenly satisfaction, so we can always give thanks and get the great gain, namely the two wings of a great eagle which are able to evacuate us to the wilderness, being far away from the presence of the Antichrist and being preserved directly by God.

1 Timothy 6:6

6:6. Now godliness with contentment is great gain.

Thus, all things are guaranteed in the true service to God.

Thus, we must learn to live by the true teaching Word from now on. The fact found in it is firmly hearing only the true teaching Word and rejecting the false one.

Exodus 5:4-9

5:4 Then the king of Egypt said to them, "Moses and Aaron, why do you take the people from their work? Get back to your labor." 5:5 And Pharaoh said, "Look, the people of the land are many now, and you make them rest from their labor!"

5:6 So the same day Pharaoh commanded the taskmasters of the people and their officers, saying,

5:7 "You shall no longer give the people straw to make brick as before. Let them go and gather straw for themselves.

5:8 "And you shall lay on them the quota of bricks which they made before. You shall not reduce it. For they are idle; therefore they cry out, saying, 'Let us go and sacrifice to our God.'

5:9 "Let more work be laid on the men, that they may labor in it, and let them not regard false words."

God uses the true servants to minister to Him or deliver the true Word, so there is the atmosphere of heaven. Choosing the way of Satan, one will get many problems.

Choosing the way of God, we will get the peace, relief, and joy.

The taskmasters were of the Egyptians. They refer to the servants of God who do not repent, so they like beating or causing troubles to the other servant of God or His work.

The officers were of the Israelites. They refer to the servants of God who have repented or been renewed, but they serve to God without the true ordination because the purpose is only to get the physical wages or their own interest.

The taskmasters and officers seem to serve the congregation, but actually they are used by Satan or Pharaoh, not by God.

Let us choose to be the true servant of God by living in righteousness and holiness or repenting and being renewed. We know certainly about the call and election of God, firmly minister to Him, and love Him more than anything.

2 Peter 1:10-11

1:10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your <u>call and election</u>sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble;

1:11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We can be firm in our ministry to God. We do not stumble, but keep faithful in the calling and election until we get the full right to enter the New Jerusalem.

We can love God more than all things. It is especially proven when we face the cross or the test and suffering with Jesus or without any sin or when we are slandered or humiliated because of the true teaching Word.

Mark 14:51-52

14:51 Now a certain young man followed Him, having a linen cloth thrown around his naked body. And the young men laid hold of him,

14:52 and he left the linen cloth and fled from them naked.

Be careful! The faith often decreases when one faces the cross. He loses the hope, even denies Jesus or chooses something which is not in line with the true teaching Word. The love vanishes away. He does not love God anymore, but leaves Him, because of loving the world or his life and family. Consequently, he falls in sins and gets the failure. Moreover, he is ashamed.

Revelation 1:17

1:17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.

God lets the cross happen in our life so that we can bow down, confess that we are the clay or we are not able, not worthy, and not precious, as well as only stretch out our hands to Him. Then, He will stretch out His great merciful hands to us.

Zephaniah 3:15-18

3:15 The LORD has taken away your judgments, He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; You shall see disaster no more.

3:16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Do not fear; Zion, let not your hands be weak.

3:17 The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

3:18 "I will gather those who sorrow over the appointed assembly, Who are among you, To whom its reproach is a burden.

The great merciful hands of God are able to perform the spiritual miracle, namely the renewal of life from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones. We are not afraid or worried anymore. We can love God more than anything. As a result, we get peace and all things become easy and light. The physical miracles will also happen. We get the victory over all impossibilities. All things are finished and we have the beautiful successful future life. We are used by God for the glory of His name until we are changed to be as perfect as He is when He comes a second time. We are worthy to welcome His second coming on the glorious clouds, shouting for joy with him forever.

God blesses you.