

Prayer Service in Malang, November 01, 2016 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 4:6-7

4:6 Before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, were four living creatures full of eyes in front and in back.

4:7 The first living creature was like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle.

The four living creatures are the same as the four pillars of the Veil in Tabernacle that are made of acacia wood overlaid gold. Those refer to the fleshly man with the character of divine nature so they can be lifted up to heaven. They are Enoch, Moses, Elijah, and Jesus.

The appearance of the four living creatures is as follows:

1. The first living creature was like a lion; referring to the character of Jesus as the King.
2. The second living creature was like a calf; referring to the character of Jesus as the Servant.
3. The third living creature had a face like a man; referring to the character of Jesus as a Man who suffers until dies on the cross.
4. The fourth living creature was like a flying eagle; referring to the character of Jesus as the glorious Son of God.

Those four points shape a cross. Thus, four living creatures are four men who experience the crucifixion to the flesh and live in divine nature (the ambience of the throne of heaven) in the midst of difficulties, evil, and uncleanness in the world, until they are lifted up to heaven.

Thus, the church of God must experience the crucifixion to the flesh to be able to live in the ambience of the throne of heaven in the midst of evil, uncleanness, and curses in the world until they are lifted up to heaven when Jesus comes a second time. **The way of the cross is the only way to the throne of heaven.**

The practices of the way of the cross are as follows:

1. **The way of death and resurrection together with Jesus.**

1 Peter 2:21-24

2:21 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

2:22 "Who committed no sin, nor was deceit found in His mouth";

2:23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.

The way of death means dying to sins. It means no more sinning anywhere, anytime, in any condition. Also no more lying, or repaying evil for evil but repaying good for evil.

The way of resurrection means living in righteousness in every life anywhere, anytime, and in any condition. Also we become the weapon of righteousness, namely the servant of God that serves and ministers Him with faithfulness and fervency.

The result is we are saved and free from the punishment. We experience the stripes of Jesus that heal physical sickness (physical illness, economy, *et cetera*) and spiritual one (broken heart, fear, stress, *et cetera*).

2. **Being shepherded correctly and well.**

1 Peter 2:25

2:25 For you were like sheep going astray, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Proverbs 12:26

12:26 The righteous should choose his friends carefully, for the way of the wicked leads them astray.

The conditions are as follows:

- Being shepherded in true teaching Word.
- Staying in sheepfold or the Holy Place in Tabernacle. It means perseverance in three main services as follows:
 - The Golden Candlestick, the perseverance in General Service, the fellowship with Holy Spirit God and the gifts.
 - The Table of Showbread, the perseverance in Bible Study Service and Holy Communion, the fellowship with Son of God in teaching Word and Holy Communion.
 - The Golden Altar of Incense, the perseverance in Prayer Service, the fellowship with Father God in love.

In right and good shepherding, our body, soul, and spirit abide in the Trinity of God so we cannot be touched by the Trinity of Satan. We are sanctified continuously until perfect and flawless.

Luke 10:1-3

10:1 After these things the Lord appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go.

10:2 Then He said to them, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.

10:3 Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs among wolves.

Why must we be shepherded? The reason is the ambience of deputation is like a lamb among wolves. The only one thing that we need is being shepherded. How great the servant of God is, he must be shepherded so he will not be eaten by wolves. It means falling in sins up to the peak, namely the sin of eating-drinking (smoking, getting drunk, drugs abuse) and marrying -being given in marriage (fornications, the wrong marriage). Also, we are not deceived and unfaithful until leaving the ministry. For example, Judas Iscariot is shepherded by Jesus (the true one) but his heart loves money. Hophni and Phinehas serve in Tabernacle (the true shepherding) but their heart loves the sin of uncleanness.

Acts 20:28-30

20:28 Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

20:29 For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock.

20:30 Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves.

The true shepherding is worth the blood of Jesus. If we enter the true and good shepherding, we will endure, not fall, or be deceived.

John 20:21-22

20:21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

God gives provision in deputation namely the power of Holy Spirit.

John 3:6-8

3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

3:7 Do not marvel that I said to you, "You must be born again."

3:8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Holy Spirit makes the biggest miracle or the spiritual one that is the life renewal from carnal man to spiritual one like Jesus. So we will appear like wind. It means as follows:

- Emptying ourselves. We do not depend on anything from the world but God.
- Obedience until the flesh does not sound anymore. We flow wherever God commands to go.
- Bring coolness and fragrance of Christ. We bring it through the gospel Word so the sinner can be saved and the teaching Word so the saved people can be shepherded well.
- We cannot be hindered by anything until the end line (until we die or Jesus' second coming).

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Holy Spirit changes us to become honest, believing, and true. We become the house of prayer. Our prayer is answered by God. The physical miracle happens. Lazarus who has died for four days can be raised. The impossible becomes possible. There is a successful and beautiful future.

If Jesus comes a second time, we are changed to become as glorious as He is. We are worthy to greet His second coming on glorious clouds until we enter the throne of heaven like the four living creatures.

God blesses us.