

Prayer Service in Malang, October 31, 2017 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Luke 11:44

11:44 *"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like graves which are not seen, and the men who walk over them are not aware of them."*

Jesus fulminated the scribes and Pharisees because they prioritized the physical things. One of the God's woes for the scribes and Pharisees is that they appeared like graves. The meaning is as follows:

1. **The hypocrisy.** It means pretending to be kind to cover the weakness.
2. **It is like leech.** It means looking for self-interest but harming and sacrificing others.

Proverbs 30:15-16

30:15 *The leech has two daughters--Give and Give! There are three things that are never satisfied, Four never say, "Enough!"*

30:16 *The grave, The barren womb, The earth that is not satisfied with water--And the fire never says, "Enough!"*

3. **Dissatisfaction.** It means being thirsty and dry spiritually like the condition of Israel at Rephidim

Exodus 17:1

17:1 *Then all the congregation of the children of Israel set out on their journey from the Wilderness of Sin, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped in Rephidim; but there was no water for the people to drink.*

Rephidim is the rest place but there is no water. **It means satisfaction from the physical things only, so they are never satisfied, but dry spiritually.**

The spiritual satisfaction comes from Holy Spirit or the living water.

The facts found within the spiritual dryness are as follows:

- **Contending and grumbling.**

Exodus 17:2-4

17:2 *Therefore the people contended with Moses, and said, "Give us water, that we may drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you contend with me? Why do you tempt the LORD?"*

17:3 *And the people thirsted there for water, and the people complained against Moses, and said, "Why is it you have brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?"*

17:4 *So Moses cried out to the LORD, saying, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me!"*

- **Quarreling.** It is because of self or flesh interest.
- **Throwing the stone.** It means hard heart and blaming others and God.

If it continues, the spiritual dryness will lead to the second death in the hell forever.

The way out to help the servant of God who experiences the spiritual dryness is as follows:

Exodus 17:5-6

17:5 *And the LORD said to Moses, "Go on before the people, and take with you some of the elders of Israel. Also take in your hand your rod with which you struck the river, and go."*

17:6 *"Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.*

As for God, the rock must be struck by Moses with the rod. The rock refers to the Lord Jesus Christ.

The rock must be struck with rod means that Jesus must die on the cross to pour the living water of Holy Spirit for us.

John 16:7

16:7 *Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.*

John 19:28-30

19:28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!"
19:29 Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth.
19:30 So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

Jesus said, "I thirst", and then He received the sour wine and said "It is finished!" on the cross. He died and gave up His spirit. It means that Jesus feels the thirst and the bitterness of men because of sins. He carries all on the cross.

The result is that Jesus pours the new wine or the Holy Spirit, so we can feel the satisfaction and sweetness from heaven.

John 4:10, 16-18

4:10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."
4:16 Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."
4:17 The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,'
4:18 "for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."

As for us, we must give drink for Jesus on the cross.

It means that we honestly confess the sin to God and others whatever the risk may come. After being forgiven, do not sin anymore.

The result is that we enjoy the Holy Spirit who is able to give the true satisfaction from heaven.

The facts found within the life that experiences the true satisfaction from Holy Spirit are as follows:

1. Testifying.

John 4:39

4:39 And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did."

We testify about what God has done in our life as Gentiles, namely the life renewal from evil and unclean life to the right men.

We also testify about the help of God.

The functions of testifying are as follows:

- Assuring and inventorying what God has done in our life, so the help of God will increase more.
- Streaming the Holy Spirit to others who suffer in spiritual dryness, so they will be satisfied and saved.

John 7:37

7:37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink."

2. Worshiping God.

John 4:14

4:14 "but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

Romans 8:26-28

8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

8:27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

We worship God with groaning which cannot be uttered in the anointing of Holy Spirit. We stretch out our hands and surrender fully to God. He will stretch out His Holy Spirit hands to bring goodness for us. God is able to change the destroyed things to become good; the failure becomes successful and beautiful; the decay becomes fragrance; and the impossible things become possible. God finishes everything until we are changed to become perfect and glorious as He is.

God blesses us.