

Prayer Service in Malang, September 07, 2010 (Tuesday Evening)

Matthew 17:21

17:21 However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

Through this verse, we can see the importance of prayer and fasting. An epileptic cannot be driven out by any ways except by prayer and fasting.

'This kind' denotes to the kind of flesh which controls men such that causing epileptic.

1 Corinthians 15:39

15:39 All flesh is not the same flesh, but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of animals, another of fish, and another of birds.

There are three kinds of flesh which controls men such that causing epileptic as below:

1. Flesh of birds.

This denotes Satan with unclean spirit which causes God's servants and God's children doing sins up to the peak of sins, i.e. eating-drinking sins and sexuality sins.

2. Flesh of animals.

This denotes the false prophet with lying spirit and false teaching. This flesh drives God's servant and God's children to lie and generalize all kind of teaching (insensitive to the false teaching).

3. Flesh of fish.

This denotes antichrist with the bond of mammon (the bond of money), which drives God's servant and God's children being stingy and greedy (=idolatry).

These three kinds of flesh cause epileptic on God's servants and God's children, meaning: Â

- Living in evil and uncleanness.
- Living blindly as wild beast until become one flesh with Satan.
Being wild = doing and saying the wronged things without caring that they are the parents, the children, siblings, etc.

This kind only can be driven out by prayer and fasting.

Prayer and fasting is:

- The process of tearing the blind flesh such that we get renewal from flesh men to spiritual men as Jesus (one flesh with Jesus).
- The process of burning the blind flesh such that it becomes sweet incense cloud in front of God.

Mark 2:20-22

2:20 But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.

2:21 No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; or else the new piece pulls away from the old, and the tear is made worse.

2:22 And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; or else the new wine bursts the wineskins, the wine is spilled, and the wineskins are ruined. But new wine must be put into new wineskins."

There are two kinds of renewals in prayer and fasting:

1. The renewal of cloth = the renewal of deeds and words = the renewal of the body.

Ephesians 4:21-29

4:21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:

4:22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,

4:23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,

4:24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

4:25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another.

4:26 "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath,

4:27 nor give place to the devil.

4:28 Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need.

4:29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

The practices are below:

- Words are renewed such that we always say the right words whatever the risks (there is no lie), there is no more corrupt word and no more unnecessary word. Words are used only to glorify God and become blessing to the others.
- Deeds are renewed such that there is no more angry with hatred, but angry with love such that we can help the others life. There is also no more stealing.

2. The renewal of wineskins = the renewal of soul and spirit.

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Ephesians 4:30-32

4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

4:31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 5:1-2

5:1. Therefore be imitators of God as dear children.

5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

The renewed things are below:

- Bitterness.
When there is bitterness to the others, better to ask directly to the involved people.
- Wrath.
- Anger.
- Clamor.
- Evil speaking, i.e. saying wrong the right things and saying right the wrong things.
This evil speaking happens because people just heard from one side or because seeing the other's higher position.

The results of the renewal are below:

- Being kind to one another.
- Being tenderhearted = being meek = willing to confess the sins.
- Forgiving one another.
- Being obedient until the flesh does not sound anymore as Jesus who was being obedient until His die on the cross.
Being disobedient is caused by the agreement with the flesh, seeing somebody with higher position, or self-interest.

When we can be obedient until the flesh does not sound anymore, it means that the flesh has been burned down and has become sweet incense cloud.

An obedient life = one who stretches out his hands to the Lord.

His position is in the embrace of God's hands, which is the safest place.

Isaiah 46:3-4

46:3 " Listen to Me, O house of Jacob, And all the remnant of the house of Israel, Who have been upheld by Me from birth, Who have been carried from the womb:

46:4 Even to you old age, I am He, And even to gray hairs I will carry you! I have made, and I will bear; Even I will carry, and will deliver you.

The results of living in the embrace of God's hands are below:

1. God bears, meaning that God accounts to care our life and give us beautiful future. Our life is in God's hands.
2. God carries all our labor and heavy laden, such that we receive relief and rest. Everything becomes easy and light, every problem is solved by God.
3. God saves, meaning that God protects us from all the perils, purifies and renews us until become as perfect as Jesus, having the glorious body to be able to become one flesh with God.

God blesses you.