Prayer Service in Surabaya, August 27, 2014 (Wednesday Evening)

To coincide with Fasting Prayer Service Session III

Peace and grace in the love of Jesus Christ. Good evening, let us listen to the Word of God. May the peace and grace from God be within us.

Revelation 2:1-7is about the sanctification to the church of **EPHESUS**(it has been explained since *General Service in Surabaya, July 27, 2014*).

We are still learning **Revelation 2:6**, which describes the church of Ephesus (it has been explained since <u>Bible Study Service in Surabaya, August 25, 2014</u>). This is the final sanctification or the blood sprinkles to the church of Ephesus who <u>lost the initial</u> **love**.

Revelation 2:6

2:6 But this you have, that you hatethe deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

The church of Ephesus **hated or rejected the Nicolaitans**, that is the teaching of <u>gathering a lot of people</u>by doing anything, especially by worldlyways, with the intention of gathering a lot of money.

In **Revelation 2:2-3, 6**, there are <u>nine advantages</u>that the church of Ephesus had as follows. **Revelation 2:2-3, 6**

2:2 "I know your works⁽¹⁾, your labor⁽²⁾, your patience⁽³⁾, and that you <u>cannot bear those who are evil</u>⁽⁴⁾. And you have <u>tested those</u> who say they are apostles⁽⁵⁾ and are not, and have found them liars;

2:3 and you <u>have persevered and have patience</u>⁽⁶⁾, and <u>have labored for My name's sake</u>⁽⁷⁾ and <u>have not become weary</u>⁽⁸⁾. 2:6 But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans⁽⁹⁾, which I also hate.

- 1. works,
- 2. labor.
- 3. patience,
- 4. cannot bear those who are evil,
- 5. tested those who say they are apostles but are liars,
- 6. have persevered and have patience,
- 7. have labored for God's name's sake,
- 8. have not become weary,
- 9. hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans.

Withoutthe initial love, these 9 advantages will only be pride.

<u>The consequence</u> is falling to a deep pit ('*Remember therefore from where you have fallen*'), which refers to the darkest darkness. Therefore, God sanctifies us to bring us back to the initial love.

However, if these 9 advantages are <u>ADDED</u>with the initial love, it will become 9 <u>gifts</u>of the Holy Spirit, 9 <u>ministries</u>from the Son of God, and 9 love deedsof God, the Father.

If there are gifts, abilities, for example the ability to play the guitar, added with the initial love and we are fervent in spirit, there will be a talent to play the guitar, and we will get the position in the ministry (God will set our position).

Nine <u>talents</u> and 9 <u>positions have</u> to be done with <u>love</u>.

Whatever our abilities are, if they are added with the initial love and we give them all to God, they will become <u>gifts</u>of the Holy Spirit and God will set our <u>position</u>in the ministry, and the <u>love</u>as a motor of the ministry. (it has been explained since *Bible Study Service in Surabaya*, *August 25*, *2014*).

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

12:4 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

12:5 There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord.

12:6 And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.

Verse 4 refers to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Verse 5 refers to the ministries of the Son of God.

Verse 6 refers to the activities or love from God, the Father.

A holy God's servantwill be equipped with 3 things as follows.

a. **Nine gifts of the Holy Spirit**, which refers to God, the Holy Spirit, or Christ.

If we put perseverance in them, they will turn into the crown of 12 stars or the light of stars.

- b. **Nine ministries of the Son of God**, which refers to the Son of God, or Jesus.

 If we put perseverance in them, they will turn into the moon under the feet or the light of the moon.
- c. **Nine love activities of God the Father**, which refers to God the Father, or Lord.

 If we put perseverance in them, they will turn into the clothes of the sun, or the light of the sun.

In conclusion, a holy servant of God will be equipped or entrusted with these things.

• God Trinity, They are God the Father, the Son of God, and the Holy Spirit in the name of Lord Jesus Christ who is the source of everything. Everything will be gone if it is only equipped with anything from the earth.

Don't be afraid to minister God!

If we are equipped with God Trinity, it will become eternal and God will provide us with anything that we need, nothing is impossible.

• The lightof the sun, moon, and stars.

A testimony:

"I continue the testimony about the hotel that we used for the fellowship in Malang. The bill came and my wife paid it. The sales manager of the hotel is a son of God. After my wife paid it, he said 'Mam, this is a <u>spiritual experience</u> for me. Ever since I become a Christian, I have never experienced things like this, such a wonderful and impossible thing'. It was impossible but it happened because God Trinity was with us, and everything is possible because God is the one in charge. It teaches us not to be afraid. If we are holy, we are equipped with God Trinity as the infinite source of everything."

The usage of the light of the sun, moon, and stars are as follows.

1. Genesis 1:16-18

1:16 Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the <u>day</u>, and the lesser light to rule the <u>night</u>. He made the stars also.

1:17 God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth,

1:18 and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good.

'day and night' there are the light of the sun, moon, and stars.

The first usage of the light of the sun, moon, and stars is **to divide the light from the darkness**to make <u>us live in righteousness and holiness</u>in the middle of the world in the end of time, where sins have reached their peaks, the sins concerning eating and drinking (smoking, being drunk, being addicted to drugs) and the sins of marrying and giving in marriage (adultery with all of its varieties, broken marriage, and many other things).

<u>Don't let our ministries go!</u>If we let our ministries go, we will have no position, gift, or love, and we will have no light. **The consequence**is we are mixed up with the darkness.

We have to be very careful and very straight for the separation!

If we follow the separation, not the darkness, we are <u>firm</u>to live in the light (living in righteousness and holiness), we are not willing to do darkness things although people may call us sanctimonious, <u>the result</u>is '*God saw that it was good*'. <u>It</u> meansthat God can make everything good.

2. Jeremiah 33:19-21

33:19 And the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying,

33:20 "Thus says the Lord: 'If you can break My covenant with the <u>day</u>and My covenant with the <u>night</u>, so that there will not be day and night in their season,

33:21 then My covenant may also be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have a son to <u>reign on his throne</u>, and with the Levites, the priests, My ministers.

'day' refers to the sun.

'night' refers to the moon and stars.

'reign on his throne' refers to a king.

As long as there are day and night, there will always be position for kings or priests.

The second usage of the light of the sun, moon, and stars is to make us priests and kings.

We minister God until the finish line, that is the death or God's second coming, even until we can be on God's throne.

This is God's promise which will never be broken, that is to bring the Israelites to the land of promise or to God's throne.

Revelation 22:3

22:3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall <u>serve</u> Him.

If we keep on becoming priests and kings, ministering God until the finish line whatever the challenges are, **the result** is we will not have any curse from now on, but there will be the atmosphere of the Paradise.

We live in the atmosphere of the Paradise although we live in the middle of the world, which is full of curse (the priests and kings live in the Paradise).

Don't let the ministries and gifts go and return to the world which is full of curse. If we are raised to be priests and kings, it is not to torture us but we are changed from the atmosphere of curse to the one of Paradise.

3. Revelation 12:1

12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

The third usage of the light of the sun, moon, and stars is in the end, we will become the light of the world (the bride of Heaven).

Jesus said 'I am the light of the world, you are the light of the world', which means we will be like Jesus.

We become the light of the world, starting from becoming the light in the house, the light in front of people (in the office, school, and anywhere), until the peak is becoming the light of the world.

If we have lived in the light and been the light in the house, in front of people, and become the light of the world, we will get the two wings of a great eagle.

The woman in the light is pursued by the antichrist.

Revelation 12:3-4, 6, 13-14

12:3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, <u>fiery red dragon</u>having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.

12:4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born.

12:6 <u>Then the woman fled into the wilderness</u>, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

12:13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child.

12:14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

If we have become the light, although we are not the light of the world yet, but we are moving to that direction, we have already got the wings of a great eagle. **The greater the light is, the greater the wings are**.

These two wings of a great eagle are what we need these days.

These two wings of a great eagle are like the hug of God's two strong hands upon our life.

The usages of the two wings of a great eagle are as follows.

1. Job 39:27-28

39:27 Does the eaglemount up at your command, And make its nest on high? 39:28 On the rock it dwells and resides, On the crag of the rock and the stronghold.

The first usage of the two wings of a great eagle is the wings (or God's hug) will bring us up to the mountain of worship('crag of the rock on high').

The mountain of worship means the closest place to God, a place of stronghold that the enemies can't reach, or a special

shelter of God, like the apple of His eyes.

From every part of a body, the apple of the eye is the most special one. Other weak parts of the body are protected with bones, but the apples of the eyes are not. God alone is taking care of them.

The proof that we have the wings of eagle is we are eager to worship. This is a correction for us. If we feel compelled to worship, it means that our wings are too small, or even we have no wings yet so that we find it hard to climb the mountain and we crawl at the foot of the mountain. If our wings are big, it will be very easy to climb the mountain (we will enjoy worshipping God).

Psalms 17:8

17:8 Keep me as the apple of Your eye; Hide me under the shadow of Your wings,

David didn't have any lack, but he always prayed '*Keep me as the apple of Your eye*'. There is no disadvantage in worshipping God. Let's worship God, starting in the house and collectively. This is a place where we are near to God.

Verse 8 refers that God is able to <u>nurture and protect</u>us in the middle of the difficulties of the world. God's two strong hands are able to bring us through the storm in the middle of the sea of the world (<u>God can solve every problem even the</u> impossible ones), we will not sink until the age of the antichrist for 3 and a half years.

When an eagle reaches a mountain, it makes a nest and lays its eggs. It will incubate its eggs while <u>changing its feathers to</u> the new ones.

A worship is a change of feathers, which means there are renewals.

Psalms 103:5

103:5 Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The key of being timelessly young is to worship a lot.

In the worship, we experience the renewal from the carnal human to a spiritual one like Jesus, starting from being **obedient**.

If we are <u>not obedient</u>, there will only be troubles, sad faces, malices, and other things in our life which will make our faces old and dry.

If we are obedient(we love God and others), our faces will be bright and shiny.

This is what is meant by **a youth renewal**, it is like going back to the youth.

The recipe to go back to the youth is by climbing up the mountain. We will change both spiritually and physically and we will be young and our face will be shining.

Although we are old, we will look young and shining. If we don't worship, we will look old even though we are young.

For the youth, if you have a lot of problems, go climbing up the mountain! It is a hard-to-reach place. Our problems can't bring us down, but God will solve them. Mostly, there are problems of marriage and the fruit of marriage, and the shepherding (for God's servants).

If we are on the mountain of worship, we can be in peace and there will be renewals.

Being obedient is the source of everything (the source of accomplishments, nourishments, happiness, and many other things).

2. Isaiah 40:29-31

40:29 He gives powerto the weak, And to those who have no mightHe increases strength.

40:30 Even the youthsshall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall,

40:31 But those who wait on the Lord Shall <u>renew their strength</u>; They shall mount up with <u>wings like eagles</u>, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

'have no might' means having a broken wing. It will happen a lot when God's second coming is near.

'the youths' refer to a power. They are strong, but weak. What will happen when they are old? This will happen if we don't have the power of the wings.

The second usage of the two wings of a great eagle is they will give a new strength to us and we will be strong and of good courage to wait for God's second coming.

There are a lot that we wish and wait for these days, but **the highest hope** is to wait for God's second coming.

Don't get left when Jesus comes for the second time!

If we are left behind, everything in this world will be vain.

Being strong and of good couragemeans as follows.

- We are not weary and heavy-burdened, but we are in peace, and everything is easy and light. Although we have a
 lot of problems, don't let them affect us. Keep on having a peaceful heart
 through surrendering to God, however
 hard our problems are!
 - If we have the wings, everything will be easy and light. It is okay to climb up the mountain. If we don't have the wings, climbing up the mountain will bring us a lot of troubles.
- o We don't fall into sins and to the peak of sins, but we live in righteousness and holiness.
- We don't fall into false teaching, but we hold firmly to the true teaching and don't loose it even for a little.

Never treat two teachings as equal! If we have said 'they are the same', it means they are not (there has already been some yeasts that have destroyed us).

If we are not going to the same direction, we will never meet again.

Hold firmly to the true teaching!

We don't fall or be tripped while ministering God, but we are faithful and fervent in spirit until God's second coming.
 Although we get older, since we have the power of the wings, we will always be fervent in spirit.

We are renewed until the peak is when Jesus comes for the second time, we will get the <u>9 fruits of the Spirit</u>or the fruits of the bride.

Galatians 5:22-23

5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is <u>love</u>⁽¹⁾, <u>joy</u>⁽²⁾, <u>peace</u>⁽³⁾, <u>longsuffering</u>⁽⁴⁾, <u>kindness</u>⁽⁵⁾, <u>goodness</u>⁽⁶⁾, <u>faithfulness</u>⁽⁷⁾, 5:23 gentleness⁽⁸⁾, self-control⁽⁹⁾. Against such there is no law.

These 9 fruits are divided into three groups as follows.

- o Love, joy, peacerefer to the image of God the Father.
- Longsuffering, kindness, goodness refer to the image of the Son of God.
- o Faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control refer to the image of the Holy Spirit.

Our ministries are not in vain, we are coming back to the image of God Trinity. We become perfect and as glorious as Jesus.

Human was created according to the image of God, but it was changed to the image of Satan because of sins.

Now, let's climb up the mountain and experience the renewal gradually until we are changed back to the image of God Trinity.

We become the bride, who is ready to welcome God's second coming in the glorious cloud.

God's holy servants, let's go under the shelter of the wings of the great eagle or God's hug, so that we are not apart from God, until one day we will fly to the cloud with Him forever.

If we are weak because of disease or anything, let's get strong since we have God's hug or the two wings of a great eagle. God will help us all.

God blesses us.

When an eagle reaches a mountain, it makes a nest and lays its eggs. It will incubate its eggs while