Youth Service in Malang, April 23, 2016 (Saturday Evening)

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

Luke 9:46-48

9:46. Then a dispute arose among them as to which of them would be greatest.

9:47. And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a little child and set him by Him,

9:48. and said to them, "Whoever receives this little child in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me. For he who is least among you all will be great."

There are two life systems as follows:

1. Worldly system. It means one wants to be the greatest among others so it results in dispute, lie, evil speaking, *et cetera*. Consequently, he will perish in the world or doomsday up to perishing in the hell forever.

2. Heavenly life system.

It means one follows the right process, namely becoming the least or a child. We humble our life as low as we can, so we will be lifted high up to the throne of heaven.

Matthew 11:25, 28-30

11:25. At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to <u>babes</u>.

11:28. "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

11:29. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentleand lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 11:30. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

The process from a great man to a baby can be learnt from Jesus on the cross, namely being lowly in heart, gentle, and patient.

Ephesians 4:2

4:2. with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,

Lowliness means the ability to confess our sin to God and others. If we are forgiven, do not sin anymore.

1 John 1:10

1:10. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

If we feel as a great man, we cannot confess our sin because of prestige, but blaming others and God. It is called as self-truth. Consequently, one becomes empty Christian or chaff one, namely he just chases physical things. If one becomes empty, seven demons will come to him, so he becomes perfect in wickedness and uncleanness or the Babylon that will be destroyed like the chaff.

James 1:21

1:21. Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and <u>receive with meekness the implanted word</u>, which is able to save your souls.

Gentleness means the ability to receive the Word of God no matter how hard it is or we can hear the word earnestly in the anointing of Holy Spirit, understand, believe, and obey it (the implanted word). The word becomes the brake in our life.

Gentleness also means the ability to forgive others' sin and forget it.

2 Timothy 4:5

4:5. But you be watchful in all things, endureafflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

Longsuffering means the ability to suffer because of Jesus' name through sacrifice, being slandered, *et cetera*. We do not grumble, but always give thanks in suffering.

Longsuffering also means we are patient in waiting the time of God. It means we do not look for the way which is not according to the word of God.

When God has not helped us yet, it means He is still busy with our life, so we can be patient and totally surrender to Him.

Matthew 11:29

11:29. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

If we are not gentle, lowly in heart, and patient, we will disturb the ministry. On the contrary, we are lifted up to become the priests and kings if we are gentle, lowly in heart, and patient.

Jeremiah 28:14

28:14. 'For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "I have put a yoke of iron on the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him. I have given him the beasts of the field also.""

If we do not want to receive the yoke from God but release it, we will take the one of iron from the king of Babylon. It means we become the target of wicked and unclean spirit.

If we receive the yoke from God, the results are as follows:

1. Everything becomes easy and light.

Matthew 11:30

11:30. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

By serving and ministering God, He makes everything easy and light. God never lies!

We are used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ.

Ephesians 4:1-6

4:1. I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called,

4:2. with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,

4:3. endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

- 4:4. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling;
- 4:5. one Lord, one faith, one baptism;

4:6. one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

All things can be different in the body of Christ, but there are seven things that may not be different as follows:

a. One body, namely one head or one true teaching word.

The true teaching word is the one that is written in the bible.

John 1:1, 14

1:1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

1:14. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

- b. One Spirit.
- c. One hope.
- d. One Lord.
- e. One faith.
- f. One baptism.
- g. One God and Father of all.

If we put Jesus as the head, we will not worry anymore. We can minister to God faithfully and truly. God is responsible for our future.

2. We experience the ministry of reconciliation from God.

Matthew 11:28

11:28. "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

All of us who labor and are heavy laden are invited by God to receive the rest or peace from Him. We experience the stretched merciful hand of God as the High Priest.

Hebrews 4:14-16

4:14. Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

4:15. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

4:16. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

God's merciful hand is able to finish all of our problems in due time. God works for our life, so we have the beautiful and successful future in due time.

We are purified and changed until we sit with God on His throne.

God blesses us.