

Youth Service in Malang, June 17, 2017 (Saturday Evening)

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

Luke 11:33-36

11:33. "No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts it in a secret place or under a basket, but on a lampstand, that those who come in may see the light.

11:34. "The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when your eye is bad, your body also is full of darkness.

11:35. "Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness.

11:36. "If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, the whole body will be full of light, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light."

2 Peter 1:19

1:19. And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts;.

The lamp refers to the prophetic or true teaching Word that illuminates the dark heart so it can shine, starting from the light of the lamp in the house, the light of the star before men up to becoming the light of the world.

We must be watchful! **There are three things that can make the lamp become dark and go out as follows:**

1. The light is put under a basket.

The basket is the container of rice or grain.

Grain refers to the word of God.

The lamp is put under a basket means that the basket is reversed. It means that the basket is empty.

The empty basket refers to the heart that is always closed for the true teaching word. It is the same as hard heart.

Actually, youth is the right time to be filled by the true teaching word. Why is it so?

- The youth has not had heavy burden of thought yet.
- The youth needs extra power from God to face the influence of the world with all of its business, joy, distress, suffering and problem.

If the youth does not want to use opportunity to be filled by the true teaching word or he has a hard heart, his life will be like the reversed basket. His life is empty of the true teaching word. He falls headlong and hugs the earth.

Acts 22:25

22:25. And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said to the centurion who stood by, "Is it lawful for you to scourge a man who is a Roman, and uncondemned?"

If we are filled by the word, our life will be in a recumbent position. We love God more than anything. We willingly suffer for God.

Embosoming the earth means as follows:

- Having friendship with the world, so one is not faithful in the ministry to God. **James 4:4**
4:4. Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.
- Loving the world, so one does not obey God. He only does his own will.
1 John 2:15-17
2:15. Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
2:16. For all that is in the world--the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life--is not of the Father but is of the world.
2:17. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.

If we embosom the earth, we will burst open in the middle like Judas Iscariot. All things become in vain and we will be destroyed with the world forever.

2. The lamp is put in a secret place or under a bed.

Without the true teaching word, the young life is empty, so he surely mixes in sins up to the peak, namely sin of eating-drinking (smoking, getting drunk and drugs abuse) and marrying-giving in marriage (sexual sin with all of its kinds, sexual deviation, and wrong marriage).

Consequently, he enters the building of Babylon that will be destroyed forever.

Revelation 17:5

17:5. And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

3. The lamp runs out of oil.

Matthew 25:8-10

25:8. "And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.'

25:9. "But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.'

25:10. "And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.

It is the same as the lamp which is without oil in the vessel for the supply.

The oil refers to Holy Spirit.

Why does one not have oil in the vessel? Because he does not want to buy the oil or experience the anointing of Holy Spirit.

That is why, in these days, we have to buy the anointing oil of Holy Spirit by shutting the door or praying and worshipping God.

Matthew 6:6

6:6. "But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.

The worship prayer is the process to tear the flesh with all of its lusts, will, fear, worry, et cetera. It is like the olive fruit that is squeezed to result in the oil of Holy Spirit, so **the lamp keeps shining.**

If one does not want to worship God, he will not have the oil in the vessel. Consequently, his lamp will become dark and go out, so he must go into the darkness of antichrist. If he does not want to worship the antichrist, he will experience great tribulation up to being beheaded. It is the same as buying the oil with his own blood.

The usefulnesses of the lamp that keeps shining are as follows:

1. Going through the darkness of basket, namely the one of economy.

It means that the power of Holy Spirit or miraculous hand of God is able to take care of our life who is small and powerless up to the time when the antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. Holy Spirit is able to help our study and future.

2. Going through the darkness of bed.

It means that Holy Spirit is able to help us to keep living in righteousness and holiness in the darkness of sin in the last days which are like the age of Noah and Lot.

Holy Spirit helps us to keep the righteousness, holiness, and unity of the marriage.

As a son, we obey our parents and keep righteous or holy in our friendship.

3. Giving heavenly bliss, and beautiful and successful future.

4. Holy Spirit changes us from fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus, so we may greet Jesus when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

It is the biggest miracle. It starts from being honest.

As a result, our steps truly go to the city of light or the New Jerusalem.

When Jesus comes a second time, our last step is that we are lifted up to the glorious clouds to greet His coming.

God blesses us.