

Youth Service in Malang, June 25, 2011 (Saturday Evening)

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Mark 16 is divided into 2 parts as follows:

1. **Verse 1-8** is about the power of resurrection of God (Shekinah Glory) that shines to our heart until we experience the renewal of life.
2. **Verse 9-20** is about the power of resurrection of God (Shekinah Glory) that shines from inside to outside that is the sparkling light.

Ad. 2 The power of Resurrection that shines from inside to outside producing the light of glory that sparkles.

Revelation 18:5-6, 15-16

18:5 *"For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities.*

18:6 *"Render to her just as she rendered to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her.*

18:15 *"The merchants of these things, who became rich by her, will stand at a distance for fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,,*

18:16 *"and saying, `Alas, alas, that great city that was clothed in fine linen, purple, and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls!*

The false church/ the Babel also was clothed in fine linen but not shiny.

Revelation 19:7-8

19:7 *"Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready."*

19:8 *And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.*

The True Church of God is clothed in the clean and bright fine linen.

How do we get the clean and bright fine linen?

- a. By **the true ministry/service** that presents your body a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God.
- b. **II Corinthians 4:3-4**
4:3 *But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,*
4:4 *whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.*

By **The Light of the Gospel of the Glory of Christ** that is **The True Teaching Word**.

Ad. b

The Teaching Word is the gospel preaching about Jesus' second coming in the glory as King of kings and Bridegroom of Heaven, in order to sanctify and to perfect us to become His bride, ready to welcome Jesus' second coming.

The Teaching Word = Bride Tidings.

Every time we hear the Teaching Word, we are enlightened by the Teaching Word until one day the Light is also shines from our lives.

Not accepting the Teaching Word = not accepting the Light, we are in the darkness.

Why do we need the Teaching Word/Bride Tidings?

Matthew 25:6

25:6 *"And at midnight a cry was heard: `Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'*

Because **our life is in the world at the end of age whose condition is getting worse** and **human lives in the darkness**. In the darkness, there is no other primary needs except "light".

The definitions of darkness are as follow:

1. Job 18:5-6

18:5. *"The light of the wicked indeed goes out, And the flame of his fire does not shine.*

18:6 *The light is dark in his tent, And his lamp beside him is put out.*

The wicked life, meaning:

- **The evil and impure life** that begins with evil and impure fantasy, rude words, and also bad deeds.

We must keep our life away from the evil and impure influence.

Don't even try it, moreover having desire of the evil and impure deeds!

Evil and impure things are often stuck in our hearts and minds, it is difficult to forget.

For being released from it, there must be extra struggle through fasting prayer.

And the solution is to confess all sins.

- **Psalm 1:1**

1:1. *Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;*

A life that is up and down in sin up to the peak of sin, such as sin of eating-drinking (smoking, being drunk, drugs abuse) and marrying-giving in marriage.

2. Proverbs 20:20

20:20 *Whoever curses his father or his mother, His lamp will be put out in deep darkness.*

A life that is not obedient to parents (as physical parents), **the priest/shepherd** (as spiritual parents), **and the God's Word** (the persona of God, as the Heavenly parents).

There are no parents who want to harm their child, because of that we must be obedient.

3. Matthew 25:26, 30

25:26 *"But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.*

25:30 *'Therefore take the talent from him, and give [it] to him who has ten talents.*

A wicked and lazy person = person who is not grateful with the ministry has entrusted by God.

And the effects are as follow:

- Swapping the ministry/service to God with physical things = being unfaithful even leaving ministry/service to God only to pursue flesh things.
Why do ones become unfaithful?
Because they respect the others more than the ministry that God has entrusted.
- Still ministering God, but only to get the physical things (occupation, etc).
- Ministering to God isn't a priority, being picky in ministry. Actually, all kinds of ministry are equally small things before God.

The Youth life is often filled with evil and impurity sin, being disobedient to parents, also being wicked and lazy in ministry to God.

That's why **we need the Light of the True Teaching Word**.

If we are willing to accept the Light of the True Teaching Word, the result is as follows:

The Light will also shine from our lives in form of the Light of Renewal Life.

For Example:

The works of Light of the True Teaching Word experienced by Saul.

Acts 9:1-3

9:1. *Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest*

9:2 *and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.*

9:3 *As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.*

A light from heaven shone around Saul, meaning his whole body was irradiated.

In the past, Saul lived in the darkness; being evil, judging others, and standing against God.

But after receiving the Light of the True Teaching Word, his life was renewed.

A light shone from heaven = The Word whose secret is revealed by the Lord, which was capable to renew Saul's life - and also renew all our lives - becoming new life.

Attitude in receiving the Light of the True Teaching Word must be as follows:

- **Being meek**= capable to accept the True Teaching Word as hard as any.
- **Being humble** = ability to confess sins.

If we are willing to be meek (accepting the True Teaching Word as hard as any) and be humble (confessing sins), there will be **life renewal**. i.e.:

1. I Timothy 1:13-15

1:13 although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did [it] ignorantly in unbelief.

1:14 And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.

1:15 This [is] a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

Being able to confess sins, even confess the most sinful one, not judging others.

If our lives have been touched by the works of the true teaching Word, we will realize and confess that we are the most sinful.

The more we confess our sins; we are cleaned more up to there is no sin anymore.

Paul was cleaned from sins; even he became a model in holding fast to one true teaching Word.

2. I Timothy 1:12

1:12. And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting [me] into the ministry,

Being faithful and trusted in ministry = Being faithful and right.

The practices are as follows: not easily leaving the ministry, not easily being obstructed.

For those who do not have the position in ministry: praying and asking to God.

For priests who had resigned from their positions in ministry: back soon!

Jeremiah 48:10

48:10 Cursed [is] he who does the work of the LORD deceitfully, And cursed [is] he who keeps back his sword from blood.

Being unfaithful/negligent in ministry and service, the effects are as follows:

- Living in a curse: living full of misery and unhappiness inside their heart, although they look alright and successful on the outside.
- Their ministries are shifted to others and there will be no chance to be back.
For Example: The Apostle position of Judas Iscariot has been replaced by Matthias.
- The Light of the Word increasingly dims in their lives.

3. I Timothy 1:16-17

1:16 However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all long suffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life.

1:17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, [be] honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Being able to worship God in the true worship prayer, meaning until the flesh does not sound anymore.

In the true worship prayer, we receive loving-kindness and mercy of God.

Especially, the loving-kindness and mercy of God is when we have life renewal.

The results of worshiping God are as follows:

- **Isaiah 43:15-17**
43:15 I [am] the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King."

43:16 Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea And a path through the mighty waters,
43:17 Who brings forth the chariot and horse, The army and the power (They shall lie down together, they shall not rise; They are extinguished, they are quenched like a wick):

The Hand of God is capable to create a way through the sea , meaning:

- a. The Hand of God as the King of kings is capable to preserve us in the midst of difficult world.
- b. The Hand of God is capable to provide solution to any problems and temptations.
- c. The Hand of God is capable to provide a beautiful future (Israelites did not die in the Kolsom Sea and went to Canaan); up to the most beautiful is the time when we are able to enter the New Jerusalem.

○ **Isaiah 6:5-8**

6:5. So I said: "Woe [is] me, for I am undone! Because I [am] a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts."

6:6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal [which] he had taken with the tongs from the altar.

6:7 And he touched my mouth [with it], and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged."

6:8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here [am] I! Send me."

The Hand of God is capable to sanctify us, beginning with mouth/lips to be employed by God.

We keep being sanctified until there is no sin in our words = Perfect life, without blemish.

James 3:2

3:2 For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he [is] a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.

By the works of the true teaching Word, we are renewed = the light of Word will shine more from our lives until we are shown as the light of world, that is the heavenly bride of God, and we're ready to welcome the Jesus' second coming.

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.

God blesses us.