Youth Service in Surabaya, July 01, 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 <u>lamp</u>, 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."

The lamp of the body is the eye.

The evil eye is the same as the dark or blind one that makes our whole life dark. The speech, deed and mind become dark, up to the outer darkness or perdition in the hell forever.

If God allows us to work, go to college/school, or have date, do not do it with evil eye.

There are three things that make evil eye or dark one as follows:

1. **The heart which is hard, unclean and wicked**. It means that one cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ or receive the teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword because of being bound by the idol.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

- 4:3. But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,
- 4:4. whose <u>minds the god of this age has blinded</u>, 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.

The kinds of idol are the will of money, the sin that is kept, et cetera.

John 6:60-66

- 6:60. Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard this, said, "This is a hard saying; who can understand it?"
- 6:61. When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, "Does this offend you?
- 6:62. "What then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before?
- 6:63. "It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.
- 6:64. "But there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were who did not believe, and who would betray Him.
- 6:65. And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father."
- 6:66. From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.

If the youth hardens his heart and rejects the teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword, he will leave God, go back , or deny Him. It is the same as $\underline{\text{following his own will}}$ and $\underline{\text{false teachings}}$ according to his lust, until he $\underline{\text{follows Satan}}$ and goes to perdition forever.

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.

<u>The right attitude</u> is that we ask the gentle heart, namely casting away all kinds of idol and we can receive the teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

As a result, we are saved. We live in the light and God blesses us.

2. **The weak heart**that causes our faith not to grow, so we are shortsighted, even to blindness, and have forgotten that we were cleansed from our sins. It is the same as self-truth.

2 Peter 1:9

1:9. For he who lacks these things is <u>shortsighted</u>, even to <u>blindness</u>, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

2 Peter 1:10-11

- 1:10. Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble:
- 1:11. for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The consequence of the weak heart is that one stumbles easily and falls into two things as follows:

- Stumbling and falling and rising in sin up to the peak, namely sin of eating-drinking (smoking, getting drunk, drugs abuse) and marrying-giving in marriage (sexual sin with all of its kinds).
- Stumbling and falling in call and election. It means that one is unfaithful up to leaving the ministry like Judas Iscariot.
 Consequently, he loses the entrance into the kingdom of heaven.

2 Peter 1:5-8

- 1:5. But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue(1), to virtue knowledge(2),
- 1:6. to knowledge self-control⁽³⁾, to self-control perseverance⁽⁴⁾, to perseverance godliness⁽⁵⁾,
- 1:7. to godliness brotherly kindness⁽⁶⁾, and to brotherly kindness love⁽⁷⁾.
- 1:8. For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

By hearing and obeying the true teching word, our faith will grow in seven things.

It is like the shining candlestick or living in the light.

As a result, we will never stumble in sin up to the peak. We will never stumble and fall in the call and election. We keep our call and election until the finish line. We receive the entrance into the eternal kingdom of heaven.

3. The bitter heart.

1 John 2:9-11

- 2:9. He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now.
- 2:10. He who loves his brother abides in the light, and there is no cause for stumbling in him.
- 2:11. But he who hates his brother is in darkness and walks in darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

1 John 4:21

4:21. And this commandment we have from Him: that he who loves God must love his brother also.

The bitter heart is the same as not loving others, even hating them.

Not loving brother is the same as having no love. If one does not see his brother, he will not see God.

Without love, everything will be in vain, useless and destroyed forever.

Let us live in the light! The eye is light, so we can love God more than anything. We can see and worship God. We can stretch our hands to God. We totally surrender to God, and He will stretch out His merciful hands to us. God hugs all of us.

Romans 8:35-37

8:35. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

8:36. As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

8:37. Yet in all these things $\underline{\text{we are more than conquerors}}$ through $\underline{\text{Him who loved us.}}$

The results are as follows:

- God's love <u>makes us survive</u>. It is the same as not being disappointed and desperate. We do not leave God, but keep ministering to Him faithfully and fervently.
 - We keep trusting and hoping God no matter anything that happens.
 - We keep living in righteousness and peace. It is the same as all things become easy and light, and beaming face.
- o God's merciful hands make us becomemore than conquerors.
 - We are powerless but win over the enemy who is stronger than us because God's merciful hands make war for us. God's merciful hands finish all of impossible problems.
 - All things are finished. All things become success and beauty.

 God's merciful hands unify and perfect us to become His bride who is worthy to greet Him when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

Colossians 3:14

3:14. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection.

God blesses us.