

Bible Study Service in Malang, April 26, 2022 (Tuesday Evening)

To coincide with Passover Fellowship in Jakarta

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

The theme is **Job 19:25**

19:25. For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth;

It means as follows:

1. Jesus has died on the Cross (the Good Friday).
2. Jesus has risen and lived (Passover).

How was Job's condition at that time?

1. Being separated from God.

Job 19: 6-9

19:6. Know then that God has wronged me, And has surrounded me with His net.

19:7. "If I cry out concerning wrong, I am not heard. If I cry aloud, there is no justice.

19:8. He has fenced up my way, so that I cannot pass; And He has set darkness in my paths.

19:9. He has stripped me of my glory, And taken the crown from my head.

2. Being separated from others.

Job 19: 13-19

19:13. "He has removed my brothers far from me, And my acquaintances are completely estranged from me.

19:14. My relatives have failed, And my close friends have forgotten me.

19:15. Those who dwell in my house, and my maidservants, Count me as a stranger; I am an alien in their sight.

19:16. I call my servant, but he gives no answer; I beg him with my mouth.

19:17. My breath is offensive to my wife, And I am repulsive to the children of my own body.

19:18. Even young children despise me; I arise, and they speak against me.

19:19. All my close friends abhor me, And those whom I love have turned against me.

Job 19: 20-21

19:20. My bone clings to my skin and to my flesh, And I have escaped by the skin of my teeth.

19:21. "Have pity on me, have pity on me, O you my friends, For the hand of God has struck me!"

Consequently, Job languished because of the suffering, total test, and being threatened by death or perdition.

What was needed by Job? He must see Jesus as the Redeemer who has risen and lived.

Job 19:26-27

19:26. And after my skin is destroyed, this I know, That in my flesh I shall see God,

19:27. Whom I shall see for myself, And my eyes shall behold, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!

As a result, Job experienced peace, and his heart yearned within him because of God.

John 20: 19-20

20:19. Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you."

20:20. When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

In the New Testament, Job's condition was the same as the one of disciples who shut the doors at evening. It means being separated from God and others.

Consequently, they were in fear, worry, stress, and their heart languishes because of suffering.

The fear and worry are the main killer on the last days, namely one fears because of the sin and impossible problem, the shepherd fears that his sheep is taken by others, until the fear of death.

The disciples need to see Jesus who has risen, so they experience peace.

Jesus who has risen shows three times of peace as follows:

1. [verse 20] Peace to remove the fear.
2. [verse 21-23] Peace for the deputation.
3. [verse 24-31] Peace to remove the unbelief.

John 20:26

20:26. And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!"

We learn the second one.

John 20:21-23

20:21. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

20:22. And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

20:23. "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

If we have been set free from the fear (the shut doors), we will experience peace, so we are sent to do God's work.

John 14:12

14:12. "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

There are two kinds of God's work as follows:

1. **The works that Jesus does, namely the one of the sins reconciliation or redemption by the Gospel Word.**

The requirement is that we must first be reconciled with God and others. We can confess and forgive one another, so the blood of Jesus finishes our sins. We can live in righteousness and peace.

Isaiah 32:17

32:17. The work of righteousness will be peace, And the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever.

The process is believing in Jesus and repenting, especially there are no more lie and hatred. Further, we enter the water baptism, so we are reborn.

Matthew 26:24

26:24. "The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."

It would have been good for that man who is not reborn as well as living in righteousness if he had not been born like Judas Iscariot who becomes the thief and liar.

Psalms 37:25-26

37:25. I have been young, and now am old; Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, Nor his descendants begging bread.

37:26. He is ever merciful, and lends; And his descendants are blessed.

If we live in righteousness, we will be blessed up to descendants; even we become the blessing for others.

2. **The greater works than redemption, namely the ones of the building of the perfect body of Christ.**

It is the same as the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain or the one in the true teaching Word or Bride Tidings.

The fact is the fellowship or oneness, starting from marriage and shepherding.

John 5:2-5

5:2. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches.

5:3. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water.

5:4. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had.

5:5. Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years.

Be watchful! There are many spiritual activities in the world that perform angel, not God or the true teaching Word. It shows prosperity, entertainment, human figure, *et cetera*, so it cannot reach people who suffer the most.

The spiritual meanings of paralysis are as follows:

- Being inactive, namely one is not faithful in the marriage, shepherding, *et cetera*.
- One only hopes others, not God.
- The spirituality does not grow, so one cannot live in righteousness.

Isaiah 30:1-2

30:1. "Woe to the rebellious children," says the LORD, "Who take counsel, but not of Me, And who devise plans, but not of My Spirit, That they may add sin to sin;

30:2. Who walk to go down to Egypt, And have not asked My advice, To strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, And to trust in the shadow of Egypt!

Sinning up to the peak.

- One is powerless, suffering up to it is impossible to be cured.
Thirty eight years times fifty equals a thousand and nine hundred years. It is the age of decadence of the church in the middle age.
Fifty years of the church of the first rain is in the revival.
Fifty years of the church of the last rain is in the revival.

Tonight is the limit of the patience of God for us to be saved and purified.

Deuteronomy 2:14

2:14. "And the time we took to come from Kadesh Barnea until we crossed over the Valley of the Zered was thirty-eight years, until all the generation of the men of war was consumed from the midst of the camp, just as the LORD had sworn to them.

Thirty-eight years is the limit of the patience of God.

Deuteronomy 2:15

2:15. "For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from the midst of the camp until they were consumed.

If we reject, we will experience God's outstretched arm to punish us.

If we receive, we will experience God's merciful hands.

John 5:6-9

5:6. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

5:7. The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me."

5:8. Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk."

5:9. And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath.

The true fellowship presents Jesus who is linked with the Sabbath.

Luke 13:10

13:10. Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.

Hebrews 4:9-13

4:9. There remains therefore a rest for the people of God.

4:10. For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.

4:11. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.

4:12. For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

4:13. And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

Every preaching of the true teaching Word is the appearances of Jesus in His mercy who works in the midst of us.

John 5:6

5:6. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"

- Jesus is seeing the condition of the congregation. Nothing is hidden. 'God knows' means that He understands our condition, and He also bears and feels what we suffer. As a result, our heart experiences peace. All of burdens have been borne by Jesus on the cross.
- 'He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?"' is the same as asking: "Do you want your sins to be forgiven?"
Mark 2:9
2:9. "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'?"

Our attitude is confessing our sins and condition to Jesus. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven!

- **John 5:8**
5:8. Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk."

The Word of God is God's command to be obeyed. Our attitude is obeying the Word.

If the Word of God does not make sense but we can obey it, we will receive the power to take away the impossibility.

The faith and mercy will result in the miracle.

The spiritual miracle is the renewal of life, namely from being unfaithful to being faithful, from hoping men to only hoping God. The lie and hatred become honesty as well as loving one another. From sinning to living in righteousness and holiness.

The miraculous healing also happens. God is able to heal any diseases up to the impossible ones. The impossible thing becomes possible. The suffering becomes the heavenly bliss.

Tonight is the limit to confess our sin and obey God.

John 5:14-15

5:14. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you."

5:15. The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

We must be shepherded as well as testify after being helped by God until we are changed to become perfect to greet Jesus when He comes a second time.

God blesses us.