

Bible Study Service in Malang, April 27, 2023 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:6-10 is about the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

Revelation 19:10

19:10. And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

The testimony of Jesus is the journey of His life in the world until He ascends to heaven.

The church of God must have the testimony of Jesus, so we can be lifted up to the glorious clouds to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God, the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace, and the New Jerusalem.

The journey of Jesus' life is signified with the example that we must follow.

The three examples of Jesus that we must follow and own are as follows:

1. The example of Jesus' steps, namely the one of righteousness.

1 Peter 2:21,24

2:21. For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

2:24. who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.

Jesus' steps are the ones of death and resurrection.

The step of death is having died to sins.

The step of resurrection is living for righteousness.

We can follow and own the example of Jesus' steps--the ones of death and resurrection--, starting from the water baptism.

Romans 6:1-4

6:1. What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?

6:2. Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

6:3. Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?

6:4. Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

The requirements of the true water baptism are as follows:

- Believing in Jesus as the only Savior by hearing the word of God. It refers to the Gate of the Tabernacle.
- Repenting or stopping committing sin and returning to God. We are dead to sin.

1 Peter 2:22-23

2:22. "Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth";

2:23. who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously;

We do not sin, lie, and return evil for evil but repay good for evil.

- The water baptism.
The requirement is believing in Jesus and repenting.
It is God's mercy when our family can believe in Jesus and repent.

The implementation of the true water baptism is that one who has died to sin or repented must be buried in the water with Jesus in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, namely Lord Jesus Christ, and come out or rise from water with Him, so the heavens are opened. We receive new life, namely the heavenly one.

It is God's mercy when our family can enter the true water baptism like Noah's family.

1 John 3:7,9

3:7. Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.

3:9. Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

The facts of new life are as follows:

- Not committing and repeating sin anymore. We are set free from sin, so we can live in righteousness.
- Holding fast the true teaching Word, so we cannot be deceived by the false teaching, gossip, *et cetera*.

As a result, we can be shepherded well and correctly. The shepherding is the place to make our righteousness firm and increased, so we can become the instrument of righteousness, namely the servant of God who ministers to God faithfully and correctly.

Proverbs 10:2-3

10:2. Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, But righteousness delivers from death.

10:3. The LORD will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked.

The results are as follows:

- a. Being saved, not being punished and destroyed.
- b. Being healed, so we are healthy physically and spiritually by the power of Jesus' stripes.

1 Peter 2:24

2:24. who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.

- c. Being taken care of by God up to abundance, so we can give thanks to God and become the blessing for others.

- We cannot sin. We are righteous, just as Jesus is righteous. [1 John 3:8-9]

2. The example of washing feet, namely the one of holiness.

John 13:10-12,14-15

13:10. Jesus said to him, "He who is bathed needs only to wash his feet, but is completely clean; and you are clean, but not all of you."

13:11. For He knew who would betray Him; therefore He said, "You are not all clean."

13:12. So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you?"

13:14. "If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

13:15. "For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.

By what are we purified?

John 15:3

15:3. "You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

We are purified by the word which Jesus has spoken to us, namely the one whose secret is revealed through one verse that explains the other verses in the Holy Bible.

Deuteronomy 32:1-2

32:1. "Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

32:2. Let my teaching drop as the rain, My speech distill as the dew, As raindrops on the tender herb, And as showers on the grass.

The three steps of the true teaching Word are as follows:

- As the dew. Not many people know it.
- As the raindrops. Some people start to respond it.
- As the rain, namely the revival of the Holy Spirit in the last rain.

Where are we purified? We are purified In the Holy Place or the sheepfold, namely the perseverance in committing the three

kinds of main service to God. We are like a branch that abides in the true vine, so we are purified. The true vine does all things and the branch just needs to abide in it. There is the guarantee for our life now up to eternal life.

What must be purified?

[John 13:11] The sin of Judas Iscariot, namely the dirtiest feet, must be.

How are we purified?

Ephesians 5:25-26

5:25. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

5:26. that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

Jesus must die on the cross to purify and cleanse us doubly through the washing of water by the teaching Word.

We experience the sanctification of the physical and spiritual life over and over again from the sins of Judas Iscariotas follows:

- The thief. It is the root of wickedness. Stealing the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offerings, and the one of others who are in need, and the one of others through not paying the debt, making corruption, et cetera.
- The traitor. It means not being faithful up to leaving the ministry and the true teaching Word--God's Himself.
- The liar. It means not saying the truth.
- The accuser. It means blaming at others and God.
- Pretense or hypocrisy.

Judas Iscariot did not want to be purified by the repeated true teaching Word but kept sinning, so he was entered by Satan until he sold Jesus. He tormented the body of Christ.

Consequently, he was cursed. He hung himself, so he was ashamed up to perdition.

Luke 19:1-4

19:1. Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.

19:2. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich.

19:3. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature.

19:4. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way.

On the contrary, Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector tried to see Jesus although there were many challenges and obstacles.

Luke 19:5-6

19:5. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house."

19:6. So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully.

Zacchaeus could receive God's mercy and testimony, so he was purified by the true teaching Word.

Luke 19:7

19:7. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner."

Be watchful! There are many people who grumble when seeing that the sinner can hear the Word and be purified.

Luke 19:8

19:8. Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."

Zacchaeus experienced the purification, so he did not steal anymore, but gave to others. He did not lie but confessed his sin.

Luke 19:9-10

19:9. And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham;

19:10. "for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

As a result, Zacchaeus and his family were purified and renewed.

The results are as follows:

- We are equipped with the ministry and Holy Spirit's gift. It is the tunic of many colors. We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain or the building of the perfect body of Christ.

Ephesians 4:7,11-12

4:7. But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

4:11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

- We have the beautiful feet.

Romans 10:15

10:15. And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"

We are used to become the witness of God. We have beautiful and successful steps of life. We glorify God until we are glorified with Him.

- We are holy, just as Jesus is holy, up to being spotless.

1 Peter 1:15-16

1:15. but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct,

1:16. because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

Ephesians 5:27

5:27. that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

3. The example of glory.

Genesis 1:26

1:26. Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

We must become as glorious as Jesus. The fact is the true worship that is encouraged by the true teaching Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit.

Matthew 17:1-2

17:1. Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

17:2. and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

In the true worship, we are seeing Jesus' face that shines like the sun.

The results are as follows:

- God's love which is like the sun goes through the dark cloud, so God's mercy which is like the rainbow appears.

Ezekiel 1:28

1:28. Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the brightness all around it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. So when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking.

God's love protects and takes care of our life in the midst of the difficulties of the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years--the outer darkness in the world.

God's love finishes all of impossible problems in our life.

God's love makes all things beautiful in due time.

- God's love which is like the sun renews us from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus.

Proverbs 15:13

15:13. A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance, But by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

The fallen countenance, namely being painful, disappointed, and desperate is changed into the beaming face or a merry heart.

The fallen countenance like Cain, namely envy, hatred, and revenge, is changed into the beaming face. We have the peaceful heart, so we can love one another.

The pale face, namely fear and doubt, is changed into the beaming face. We totally trust and commit ourselves to God.

The bad face which is like dog--evil--, swine--uncleanness--, and Satan--rejecting the cross and following the lust of the flesh--is changed into the beaming face. We are not ashamed but glorified with Jesus.

Psalm 34:5

34:5. They looked to Him and were radiant, And their faces were not ashamed.

It continues until we become as glorious as God. We become the first creation.

Galatians 5:22-23

5:22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

5:23. gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

'love, joy, peace' refer to the example of God the Father.

'longsuffering, kindness, goodness' refer to the example of Son of God.

'faithfulness, gentleness, self-control' refer to the example of Holy Spirit God.

Matthew 5:48

5:48. "Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect.

We become as perfect as Jesus to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

Isaiah 52:13-14

52:13. Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high.

52:14. Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men;

The guarantee is Jesus. He who is in glory willingly becomes marred on the cross, so we can be changed from the bad face to the beaming one.

God blesses us.