

Bible Study Service in Malang, August 16, 2012 (Thursday Evening)

Peace and grace in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The whole Matthew 27 refers to **seven sprinklings of blood upon the Ark of Covenant**.

Now it means the suffering Jesus experiences up to His death on the cross to save, purify, and perfect us.

We are learning the fourth, namely **Jesus is crucified and dead**[Matthew 27:32-50].

Matthew 27:32 is about the practice of the cross.

Matthew 27:33 is about the place of crucifixion.

Matthew 27:34-44 is about the meaning of the cross.

Matthew 27:45-50 is about the crucifixion time.

There are some things that happen at the crucifixion time. The first thing is darkness.

Matthew 27:45

27:45 Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land.

There are three kinds of darkness that happens in the world as follows.

- a. Darkness for three days in Egypt when the house of Israel is going to go out of it.

Exodus 10:22

10:22 So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days.

Meaning the light of the love of Father God, referring to the sun, does not work anymore, so human does the peak of uncleanness, evil, sadism, up to the destruction in marriage.

- b. Darkness for three hours when Jesus is crucified.

Matthew 27:45

27:45 Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land.

Meaning the light of the Son of God, referring to the moon, does not work anymore, so there is no redemption from sin in the world. Consequently, human lives in sins up to the peak, namely sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. They enjoy living in sins without any regret even blame other people, the teaching Word and God.

- c. Darkness for three years and half in the world when antichrist reigns over it. It will happen for sure.

Matthew 24:29

24:29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

Meaning the light of Holy Spirit God, referring to the stars, does not work anymore. The revival of building the body of Christ has been finished. The perfect body of Christ is formed.

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.

We can experience the light until we have the light of the sun, moon, and stars, referring to the perfect Church, if we are shined by the Word of God, Holy Spirit, and God's love.

Revelation 12:13-14

12:13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child.

12:14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

The Church with the light of the world is still pursued by antichrist but God gives the two wings of great eagle to flee her to the wilderness for three years and half, far away from the presence of antichrist.

We will become full-time servants of God in the wilderness. Do not be afraid or reject when God calls you to become full-time servants now and do not try to become the full-time servant when God does not call you. Whatever our condition now, whether we are full-time servants or not, let us always prioritize God as well as the service and ministry more than anything.

The world without the sun, moon, and stars is in the darkest darkness, conquered by antichrist, and full of weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Therefore, we have to actively minister to God in building the body of Christ through which we become the light of the world. On the contrary, one will enter the darkness for sure if he does not enter the ministry of building the body of Christ.

We must actively minister to God in building the body of Christ, beginning from the ministry and unity in marriage with one heart and teaching. Then we have ministry and unity in the shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the perfect body of Christ.

We must be alert in the revival of building the body of Christ that we should not give negative comment or resist with other revival.

Let us use the opportunity although it is only as the hole of needle, one cubit or one heartbeat, in order to enter the ministry of building the body of Christ. Do not be late.

Who will enter the outer darkness?

1. The sons or servants of God who do not make effort to pass through the narrow gate. It means they reject the cross and the true teaching Word.

Luke 13:22-30

13:22 And He went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

13:23. Then one said to Him, "Lord, are there few who are saved?" And He said to them,

13:24 "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able.

13:25 "When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,'

13:26 "then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.'

13:27 "But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.'

13:28 "There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out.

13:29 "They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God.

13:30 "And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last."

The true teaching encourages us to enter the narrow gate which makes our flesh uncomfortable.

The true Shepherding Word encourages us to enter the sheepfold.

The meaning of the narrow gate in Tabernacle teaching is as follows.

- The Door of Tabernacle or the entrance to the Holy Place or the gate of Sheepfold.
The sheepfold refers to perseverance in doing three main services to God as follows.
 - a. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service.
 - b. Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion.
 - c. Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Prayer Service.

The success of the preaching of the Word is when the sheep can enter the sheepfold.

The strange voice is not in line with the Shepherding Word and wants to make us wander freely as the sea on which the woman of Babylon sits.

Consequently, the spirituality begins to be dry, heavy laden, weary, evil, and unclean until there is perdition together with Babylon.

- The Veil, referring to the tearing of flesh.
Meaning we are obedient to the Shepherding Word until our flesh does not speak anymore.

Matthew 7:21-23

7:21. "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

7:22 "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

7:23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

We will be in the hand of God, the Great Shepherd, if we want to pass through the narrow gate, referring to the perseverance and obedience. As a result, we experience the protection and preservation of God abundantly until we can

give thanks and produce sweet fruits.

2. The sons or servants of God who do not have on wedding garment.

Matthew 22:11-13

22:11 "But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment.

22:12 "So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless.

22:13 "Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

The wedding garment in Revelation 12:1 means the garment of light, namely the sun, moon, and stars.

Revelation 19:8

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 wedding garment is the fine linen, clean and bright in Revelation 19:8.

Not having on wedding garment means as follows.

- Having on filthy garments.

Zechariah 3:1-3

3:1. Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him.

3:2 And the LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?"

3:3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel.

The 'brand' refers to useless thing, moreover it is said a brand plucked from the fire. It happens because of ministering with the filthy garments full of spots, namely laziness and wickedness.

The laziness means unfaithfulness and there is no responsibility in the ministry.

The wickedness is as Cain who has envy and hatred without any cause even kills. It happens because of keeping false matters and sometime the righteous will be hated.

The wickedness is also as Korah who murmurs and Balaam who ministers to God for seeking physical advantage. Consequently, there is no wage in heaven.

The spot of wickedness comes together with the spot of uncleanness, namely sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.

Ministering with the filthy garments means being a brand plucked from the fire which is useless and cast into the outer darkness only, meaning perdition.

Such person still can be helped by God if he wants to listen to the repeated Word. It is as he is pulled out of the fire.

- Having on old garment.

Mark 2:20-21

2:20 "But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast in those days.

2:21 "No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment; or else the new piece pulls away from the old, and the tear is made worse.

It means filthy rags or self-truth.

Isaiah 64:6

64:6. But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away.

The self-truth means the truth that is not in the Bible because of covering sin by blaming other people and God or the true teaching as well as pretending to do good deeds.

Job 1:1-3; 32:1-2

1:1. There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God and shunned evil.

1:2 And seven sons and three daughters were born to him.

1:3 Also, his possessions were seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.

32:1. So these three men ceased answering Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

32:2 Then the wrath of Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram, was aroused against Job; his wrath was aroused because he justified himself rather than God.

The self-truth makes one not only have on the filthy garments but also naked.

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The one who does not have on wedding garment should have been cast into the outer darkness but God still gives mercy by asking him. It is the mercy of God to help us if the Shepherding Word is still repeated to point our sins.

2 Chronicles 36:15-16

36:15 And the LORD God of their fathers sent warnings to them by His messengers, rising up early and sending them, because He had compassion on His people and on His dwelling place.

36:16 But they mocked the messengers of God, despised His words, and scoffed at His prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against His people, till there was no remedy.

It is also the mercy of God when we are in test until we have nothing as Job has experienced.

God gives us opportunity to solemnly lament and confess our sins so that He helps us.

Being speechless, not confessing sins, or keeping the filthy garment when the test comes, there will be no remedy. Consequently, the hand and foot are bound, meaning as follows.

- One cannot serve and minister to God or he forces himself to serve and minister to God but cannot please Him.
- One cannot do anything and God can do nothing to help.
- Being cast into the outer darkness.

Luke 15:15-18

15:15 "Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

15:16 "And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him anything.

15:17 "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

15:18 'I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you,

The younger son has left the field of the Father and fallen in uncleanness and wickedness but he still remembers the food of God's Word. The repeated Shepherding Word can encourage us to confess our sins, so we are exalted, helped, and healed by God to have beautiful and successful life.

Luke 7:37-38

7:37 And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil,

7:38 and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant.

The unclean sinful woman can confess her sins because of the encouraging of the Shepherding Word. As a result, she can become fragrance or the light of testimony for God.

Job 42:5-6

42:5 "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.

42:6 Therefore I abhor myself, And repent in dust and ashes."

Job has been totally tested until he can regret, confess his sins, and abhor himself, so he is physically and spiritually healed.

We are as clay which is powerless before God, the Creator. The hand of God with creation power is able to perform miracle and create something that has not existed yet. Moreover, we are created as new men who are as glorious as Jesus is to be

with Him forever.

God blesses you.