

Bible Study Service in Malang, December 12, 2017 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 6:12-13

6:12 *I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.*

6:13 *And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.*

The sixth judgment of Holy Spirit God happens through the great earthquake physically and spiritually in the influence of the world with all of its activities, amenities, uncleanness, evil, and so on that cause the spiritual darkness.

- *'the sun became black as sackcloth of hair'* means that there is no love of God anymore, but evil, uncleanness, and iniquity.
- *'the moon became like blood'* means that the redemption which is done by the blood of Jesus has been finished or there is no more redemption of sin. Men live in sins up to the peak, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.
- *'the stars of heaven fell to the earth'* means that Holy Spirit does not work anymore.

We are learning the third point.

The work of Holy Spirit on the last days is the same as the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain, namely the one for edifying the perfect body of Christ or the heavenly bride who is ready to welcome Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

'the stars of heaven fell to the earth' means that Holy Spirit does not work anymore or there is no more opportunity to edify the perfect body of Christ. It means that one enters the edifying of Babylon that will be destroyed forever.

Therefore, as long as Holy Spirit still works, let us actively minister to God for the edification of the perfect body of Christ from now on. It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the one perfect body of Christ between the house of Israel and the Gentiles or the heavenly bride who is ready to welcome Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

1 Peter 2:5

2:5 *you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

The edifying of the body of Christ is done by the priests and kings. Thus, we must become the priests and kings or stars to be used in the ministry for the edifying of the perfect body of Christ.

Who may become the priests and kings or stars?

Genesis 15:5

15:5 *Then He brought him outside and said, "Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."*

Exodus 19:6

19:6 *'And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.'* *These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."*

The priests and kings or stars belong to the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob physically, namely the natives of Israel.

Galatians 3:7

3:7 *Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham.*

In the New Testament, the descendants of Abraham live by faith. They, both from the Israelites and Gentiles, live in righteousness. The process is through believing in Jesus, repenting, being born in water and Holy Spirit baptism. We have the new life of water and Spirit, namely the righteous one.

There are three levels of Abraham's descendants as follows.

1. Like the dust.

Genesis 13:16

13:16 *"And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if a man could number the dust of the earth, then*

your descendants also could be numbered.

2. Like the sand on the seashore.

Genesis 22:17

22:17 "blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.

3. Like the stars in heaven.

ad. 1. Like the dust.

It means the priests and kings or the servants of God who serve and minister to Him only to look for worldly or physical things like money and so on. They magnify physical things, but without the sanctification or the true teaching Word.

Genesis 3:14

3:14 So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You are cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life.

Consequently, the dust becomes the food of serpent or Satan. It means everlasting perdition.

ad. 2. Like the sand on the seashore.

Genesis 22:17

22:17 "blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.

Habakkuk 1:9

1:9 "They all come for violence; Their faces are set like the east wind. They gather captives like sand.

The sand refers to the captive of the sin, the world, and the flesh with all of its lusts or the one of death.

Haggai 1:1-4

1:1 In the second year of King Darius, in the sixth month, on the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, saying,

1:2 "Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying: 'This people says, "The time has not come, the time that the LORD'S house should be built.'"

1:3 Then the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet, saying,

1:4 "Is it time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, and this temple to lie in ruins?"

Many servants of God are captivated by sins, the world, and the flesh, so the house of the Lord lies in ruin. **The facts found in it are as follows.**

1. **Being lukewarm, meaning one is neither the dust nor the stars.**

It means not being active, faithful, or fervent in serving and ministering to God; even leaving the service and ministry to God because of looking for the worldly things.

Haggai 1:9-11

1:9 "You looked for much, but indeed it came to little; and when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why?" says the LORD of hosts. "Because of My house that is in ruins, while every one of you runs to his own house.

1:10 "Therefore the heavens above you withhold the dew, and the earth withholds its fruit.

1:11 "For I called for a drought on the land and the mountains, on the grain and the new wine and the oil, on whatever the ground brings forth, on men and livestock, and on all the labor of your hands."

Consequently, there is spiritual dryness. One is not satisfied and there is no joy, so he looks for the worldly satisfaction and falls in sins up to the peak.

2. **Actively serving and ministering to God, but looking at men only, not God or the true teaching Word.** One says that all teachings are same.

Exodus 2:11-12

2:11 Now it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out to his brethren and looked at their burdens. And he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his brethren.

2:12 So he looked this way and that way, and when he saw no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

Consequently, the dead body is hidden in the sand. It means hypocrisy or pretense. One seems to be good outside, but someday the condition inside will be revealed like Judas Iscariot.

The condition without God is the same as having no head. Consequently, one will destroy the body of Christ.

3. **Hearing the true teaching Word, but not obeying it.**

Matthew 7:26-27

7:26 "But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand:

7:27 "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

"And great was its fall." means that it cannot be repaired anymore because it has been destroyed and gone in pieces. The consequence of disobedience or not obeying the Word is not enduring physical and spiritual temptation or the one in the household, until departing from faith and the true teaching Word.

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!'

The measure of success in the service and ministry to God is doing His will or obeying the true teaching Word.

On the contrary, disobedient person is the same as one who practices lawlessness. The more disobedient one is, the more wicked he will be. Consequently, he is driven out by God. Formerly, Adam and Eve were disobedient, so they were driven out of Eden to enter the world. Now, men who are disobedient will be driven out to enter the hell and perish forever.

ad. 3. Like the stars of the heaven.

Genesis 22:17

22:17 "blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.

The stars refer to the servants of God who are not captured by the flesh, the world, and sins, but become the captive of Holy Spirit.

Acts 20:22-24,28

20:22 "And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there,

20:23 "except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.

20:24 "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

20:28 "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

To become the captive of the spirit, not the death, we must serve and minister to God in the shepherding system.

Leviticus 21:12

21:12 'nor shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the consecration of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: I am the LORD.

In the Old Testament, a priest shall not go out of the Holy Place.

In the New Testament, a priest and king must always dwell in the shepherding pen by perseverance in doing three main services to God as follows.

1. Golden Candlestick or perseverance in doing General Service to have the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the gifts.
2. Table of Showbread or perseverance in doing Bible Study Service with Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and the sacrifice of Christ.
3. Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in doing Worship Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in the love.

Our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God in the shepherding pen. The results are as follows.

- We cannot be touched by the trinity of Satan. We cannot be captured by the death like the stars which cannot fall.
- We experience an intensive sanctification continually. We increase in the holiness and anointing of Holy Spirit. We are specialized by God to be the apple of His eye. We are cared and preserved specially by God. Going out of the Holy Place or shepherding pen, one will profane the holiness.

The facts found in being the captive of the spirit are as follows.

1. Not having self-will, the fleshly mind, or our own plan, but only doing the will of God although it is not in line with the flesh.

Acts 20:22-23

20:22 "And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there,

20:23 "except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.

2. Finishing the ministry which has been entrusted by God until the end with responsibility, faithfulness, and fervency in spirit and without thinking about the soul. It means that we do not want to be hindered by anything.

Acts 20: 24

20:24 "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

The service and ministry to God are the same as a race. Therefore, we must reach the end line. Being so great in the beginning, but stopping before the end line, all things become useless and will not be counted.

Acts 1:16-18

1:16 ""Men and brethren, this Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke before by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus;

1:17 "for he was numbered with us and obtained a part in this ministry."

1:18 (Now this man purchased a field with the wages of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst open in the middle and all his entrails gushed out.

For example, Judas Iscariot had been a disciple of Jesus, but he stopped on the way before the end line. Consequently, he fell headlong and his entrails gushed out.

3. Coming to serve, not to be served.

Mark 10:45

10:45 "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

It means ministering to God without any intention to get physical profit and not relying on worldly things. In such condition, we become like stars which are not upheld by anything from the world. It means having no relationship with the world. The stars live by God only. Our study, work, and so on are only the tool. God Himself will determine all things.

Acts 20:35

20:35 "I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Moreover, we must willingly sacrifice time, energy, thought, money, and so on until we feel more blessed to give than to receive and we can give our whole life to God.

Acts 20:23

20:23 "except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.

Jesus willingly died on the cross. Paul willingly suffered in the flesh. We must also willingly suffer in the flesh or feeling to serve and minister to God.

1 Peter 4:12-14

4:12 Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

4:13 but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

4:14 If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On

their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

Formerly, there was shekinah glory after the blood was sprinkled.

We must experience the suffering in the flesh to receive the Spirit of glory, so there will be the renewal of life from the fleshly man to the spiritual one like Jesus is.

Mark 10:43-44

10:43 "Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

10:44 "And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all.

The things which must be renewed are as follows.

- The great must be small so that only the greatness of God is shown, especially through the revelation of the Word.
- The high must be low. It means the humbleness or the ability to confess the sin. Do not judge others. The humbleness is also the ability to suppose that others are more than us, so we can work together.
- The hard must be gentle. It refers to the gentle heart and mouth like a baby who cries only to God. It means the worship with a broken heart because of fully relying on the great mercy of God.

For example, baby Moses only cried to God. The results are as follows.

- Moses was drawn from water. It means that God's hand of mercy and goodness is able to preserve and protect us who are powerless in the midst of the difficulties in the world for three and a half years. God's hand of mercy and goodness is able to lift us up from the valley of destruction. God's hand of mercy and goodness also preserves and protects us spiritually from sins up to the peak and false teachings, so we can keep on living in righteousness, holiness, as well as peace. All things become easy and light. There is still an opportunity to be lifted up although we have fallen as long as we worship God with a broken heart.

Psalms 51:1a,17

51:1 <<To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.>>

51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart--These, O God, You will not despise.

King David has fallen in sin with Bathsheba, but still got the help of God because of being broken-hearted.

- Moses was lifted up as the son of king. It means that God's hand of mercy and goodness is able to give us beautiful successful future life. God's hand of mercy and goodness is able to lift us up from the valley of failure, hopelessness, and impossibilities. Impossible things can be made possible.

Isaiah 38:1-5

38:1 In those days Hezekiah was sick and near death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, went to him and said to him, "Thus says the LORD: 'Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.'"

38:2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the LORD,

38:3 and said, "Remember now, O LORD, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what is good in Your sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly.

38:4 And the word of the LORD came to Isaiah, saying,

38:5 "Go and tell Hezekiah, 'Thus says the LORD, the God of David your father: "I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; surely I will add to your days fifteen years."

Being sick, King Hezekiah wept bitterly to God like a baby. As a result, God was able to help him.

- Moses was appointed as the leader of the house of Israel. It means that we are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain for edifying the perfect body of Christ.
- Moses was resurrected and taken up to heaven.

Deuteronomy 34:5-6

34:5 So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD.

34:6 And He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth Peor; but no one knows his grave to

this day.

Jude 1:9

1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

It means that we are changed until being as perfect as Jesus is or we do not stumble in words. We only say "Alleluia" to welcome Jesus' coming on the glorious clouds.

Mark 7:25,28,29

7:25 For a woman whose young daughter had an unclean spirit heard about Him, and she came and fell at His feet.

7:28 And she answered and said to Him, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the children's crumbs."

7:29 Then He said to her, "For this saying go your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter."

Let us be changed from the characteristics of dog, namely the hard and rude word, and the ones of swine, namely the unclean deeds nowadays because such things will affect the marriage and children. The hard and rude words are changed into the gentle ones or the word of faith. The unclean deeds are also changed. The valley of the destruction in marriage is changed into the perfect marriage to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb.

God blesses you.