

Bible Study Service in Malang, February 08, 2022 (Tuesday Evening)

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

In the arrangement of the Tabernacle, Revelation 15 refers to the ark of the Ark of Covenant. It is the repetition and enhancement of the book of Revelation chapter 4 and 5 which are about the throne of heaven. It means that God truly wants to put us in His throne (The Most Holy Place), namely perfection.

The ark is made of shittim wood overlaid inside and outside with gold.

It refers to the sinful man who has been formed up to perfection to become the heavenly bride who is able to be placed in the throne of the heavenly kingdom.

There are three steps of forming the church of God up to perfection (the sinful man can become the heavenly bride) as follows:

1. **We must be overlaid inside and outside with the pure gold.** The pure gold refers to the power of Holy Spirit.

Exodus 25:10-11

25:10. " And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two and a half cubits shall be its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height.

25:11. "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around.

1 Peter 3:3-4

3:3. Do not let your adornment be merely outward--arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel--

3:4. rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

'*rather let it be the hidden*' means the inside part which must be overlaid with the gentle and quiet spirit.

James 1:21,19

1:21. Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

1:19. So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath;

Being gentle means the ability to receive the true and hard teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword. We hear earnestly until we understand and believe in the Word, so it becomes faith that is rooted in the heart. We have the stable faith that can endure all temptations, impossibilities, and false teachings. We keep on believing in Jesus; even we can result in the fruit of salvation.

Being quiet means keeping silent and doing introspection in our life through the sharpness of the sword of the Word. Finding sin, we learn to become humble before Jesus, namely we must confess our sin to God and others. We must repent after being forgiven. Do not sin anymore! When we receive sin confession, we must become gentle to forgive others' sin and forget it. Being blamed although we are right, we must keep silent. We do not need to defend ourselves, but we surrender all to God.

Therefore, we can be quiet and peaceful (the rest).

Matthew 11:28-30

11:28. "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

11:29. "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

11:30. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

It is God's invitation to the sinful flesh and blood men who have many weaknesses, namely fragility, getting withered and dry, and destruction, so there is no ability to bear the heavy temptations. They are in hard labor, heavy laden, desperate, and disappointed as well as leave God. But, God invites the weak life. We must believe in and learn from Jesus to be overlaid with humble, gentle, and quiet spirits, so we experience rest or peace. All things become easy and light for us like the calm ocean.

1 Peter 3:5-6

3:5. For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in God also adorned themselves, being submissive

their own husbands,

3:6. as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.

'adorned' refers to the outside overlaying, namely submission or obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore. For example, Sarah had permanent weakness, namely barrenness and menopause, so it was impossible to have a child. But Sarah was adorned. It means that she experienced the outside overlaying, namely submission or obedience. Likewise, we must obey our parents, husband, shepherd, and government. As a result, Sarah's womb was opened and Isaac was born to take away her disgrace. We experience the opening of closed doors in the world. There is a way out from all of impossible problems. We have beautiful future; even the door of heaven is opened for us.

Matthew 7:21

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.

The door of heaven will be opened for those who do the will of the Father.

2. Being filled with three tools, namely golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the two tablets of stone.

Hebrews 9:4

9:4. which had the golden censer and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which were the golden pot that had the manna, Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant;

The Ark of Covenant has the things as follows:

- **The golden pot that had the manna.** It refers to the Word which becomes the permanent and perfect faith.

The levels of faith are as follows:

- a. The Gate, namely to believe in Jesus as the only Savior.

We believe in Jesus by hearing the Word which is anointed by Holy Spirit (the Word of God). The fleshly men tend to reject the Word, so we need Holy Spirit to believe in Jesus.

Romans 10:17

10:17. So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- b. The Table of Showbread, namely the perseverance in committing Bible Study Service and Holy Communion. We have fellowship with the Son of God in the true teaching Word and Christ's sacrifice.

John 15:3

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

We are cleaned by the Word which Holy Spirit speaks. It is the same as the Word whose secret is revealed through one verse that explains the other verses in the Holy Bible or the true teaching Word that is sharper than any two-edged sword or the solid food.

John 13:10-11

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."

We are purified from the sin of Judas Iscariot, namely the dirtiest feet of an apostle or servant of God. It is the sin which most attaches to the servant of God.

John 12:3-6

12:3. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.

12:4. Then one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said,

12:5. "Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?"

12:6. This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.

The sins of Judas Iscariot are stealing and lying.

Revelation 9:20-21

9:20. But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk.

9:21. And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

If we have been purified from the sin of Judas Iscariot, we will be equipped with the things as follows:

- i. The ministry and Holy Spirit's gift (the tunic of many colors), so we are used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ. We do not only have the tunic of many colors but also the beautiful steps. We are used by God to testify about the Gospel Word (Good News) and the true teaching Word (the Bride Tidings).

Ephesians 4:11-12

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,

Romans 10:15-16

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!"

10:16. But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?"

- ii. The stable faith that can endure and win over the temptation.

1 Peter 1:6-7

1:6. In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

1:7. that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

- c. The perfect faith like the golden pot that had the manna.

The perfect faith is the Word that has been ingrained and engraved in the heart, mind (the true and good words, until becoming God's witness), and hand (the true, good, and holy deeds).

Hebrews 10:16

10:16. "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds I will write them,"

As soon as we hear, understand, and believe in the Word, our sin has been taken away. We are saved.

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

30:10. "if you obey the voice of the LORD your God, to keep His commandments and His statutes which are written in this Book of the Law, and if you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

30:11. " For this commandment which I command you today is not too mysterious for you, nor is it far off.

30:12. "It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will ascend into heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

30:13. "Nor is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?'

30:14. "But the word is very near you, in your mouth and in your heart, that you may do it.

2 Corinthians 3:2-6

3:2. You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men;

3:3. clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart.

3:4. And we have such trust through Christ toward God.

3:5. *Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think of anything as being from ourselves, but our sufficiency is from God,*

3:6. *who also made us sufficient as ministers of the new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.*

All can happen when we enter the ministry of the new covenant or receive the Spirit or God's mercy that gives life, not the Law's system.

- **Aaron's rod that budded, sprouted, and yielded fruits.** It refers to the perfect hope.

Numbers 16:1-12

16:1. *Now Korah the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, with Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, and On the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men;*

16:2. *and they rose up before Moses with some of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty leaders of the congregation, representatives of the congregation, men of renown.*

16:3. *They gathered together against Moses and Aaron, and said to them, "You take too much upon yourselves, for all the congregation is holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them. Why then do you exalt yourselves above the assembly of the LORD?"*

16:4. *So when Moses heard it, he fell on his face;*

16:5. *and he spoke to Korah and all his company, saying, "Tomorrow morning the LORD will show who is His and who is holy, and will cause him to come near to Him. That one whom He chooses He will cause to come near to Him.*

16:6. *"Do this: Take censers, Korah and all your company;*

16:7. *"put fire in them and put incense in them before the LORD tomorrow, and it shall be that the man whom the LORD chooses is the holy one. You take too much upon yourselves, you sons of Levi!"*

16:8. *Then Moses said to Korah, "Hear now, you sons of Levi:*

16:9. *"Is it a small thing to you that the God of Israel has separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the work of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to serve them;*

16:10. *"and that He has brought you near to Himself, you and all your brethren, the sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking the priesthood also?*

16:11. *"Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the LORD. And what is Aaron that you complain against him?"*

16:12. *And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, but they said, "We will not come up!"*

Korah, Dathan, Abiram, and On did not accept the appointment of Moses because they were the sons of Levi and Reuben (the firstborn), so they grumbled, gossiped, slandered, and degraded Moses and Aaron. They gathered together against the servant of God who was true, chosen, and used by God. To rid the complaints, God gave the sign of Aaron's rod.

Numbers 17:1-8

17:1. *And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying:*

17:2. *"Speak to the children of Israel, and get from them a rod from each father's house, all their leaders according to their fathers'houses -- twelve rods. Write each man's name on his rod.*

17:3. *"And you shall write Aaron's name on the rod of Levi. For there shall be one rod for the head of each father's house.*

17:4. *"Then you shall place them in the tabernacle of meeting before the Testimony, where I meet with you.*

17:5. *"And it shall be that the rod of the man whom I choose will blossom; thus I will rid Myself of the complaints of the children of Israel, which they make against you."*

17:6. *So Moses spoke to the children of Israel, and each of their leaders gave him a rod apiece, for each leader according to their fathers'houses, twelve rods; and the rod of Aaron was among their rods.*

17:7. *And Moses placed the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of witness.*

17:8. *Now it came to pass on the next day that Moses went into the tabernacle of witness, and behold, the rod of Aaron, of the house of Levi, had sprouted and put forth buds, had produced blossoms and yielded ripe almonds.*

The rod is the small wood which has no root anymore. If it is just placed, it will be dry, fragile (easily sinning), and destroyed (perdition). There is no hope to grow or having no hope. But after being placed before God (ministering to God faithfully and fervently as well as being anointed by Holy Spirit), Holy Spirit will give the hope to bud, sprout, yield fruits.

The process of fulfilling is as follows:

- a. The Brazen Laver. It refers to the true water baptism, namely one who has died to sin or repented must be buried in the water with Jesus and come out or rise from water with Him to receive the heavenly life, namely life in righteousness.

If we can live correctly, we will have victory over the Antichrist with the mark 666. In the past time, the Israelites won over Pharaoh, so they could sing Moses' song by the Red Sea. Later, we win over the Antichrist and sing the song of the Lamb on the sea of glass.

Revelation 15:2

15:2. And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God.

- b. The Door of Tabernacle. It refers to the fullness of Holy Spirit, so we can control ourselves. We can pray and become quiet.

1 Peter 4:7

4:7. But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.

'*be serious*' means that we do not hope others anymore, but we just trust and hope God, so we can pray, and God will help us.

- c. The Golden Candlestick. It refers to the perseverance in committing General Service and the true fellowship. We have fellowship with the Holy Spirit God in His anointing up to the fullness of Holy Spirit. The true life with the new hope to enter heaven will be fulfilled with Holy Spirit.

The Golden Candlestick has the shaft and its six branches.

The shaft (Jesus) has four sets of the bowls, the knobs, and flowers ($4 \times 3 = 12$ parts).

The branch has three sets of the bowls, the knobs, and flowers (3×3 in a branch, so the six branches have $3 \times 3 \times 6 = 54$ parts).

The total is $12 + 54 = 66$ parts. It refers to the sixty-six books in the Bible, namely the true fellowship based on the Bible.

In the fellowship, we are filled by the oil, so the lamps keep burning. We are filled by Holy Spirit and we can become God's witness, starting from the household (we are free from the darkness of basket and bed), around us (school, workplace, *et cetera*), until we become the light of the world.

- d. Aaron's rod that budded, sprouted, yielded fruits.

Budding means that Holy Spirit is able to give us life. Physically, He makes us healthy or heals us. Spiritually, He makes us live in righteousness and holiness.

Sprouting refers to the gift of Holy Spirit. We are used by God in the ministry of the building of the body of Christ.

Yielding fruits refers to the nine fruits of the Spirit. We return to the image of the Trinity of God, namely the one of God the Father (love, joy, peace), the one of the Son of God (longsuffering, kindness, goodness), and the one of Holy Spirit God (faithfulness, gentleness, self-control).

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.

We have the hope to become perfect like Jesus. The fact found in it is honesty. If we are not honest, we will grumble, gossip, blaspheme, and blame at others even God, so we fall into the lower parts of the earth like Korah and his friends. It means that we cannot be lifted up to heaven.

Ecclesiastes 7:29

7:29. Truly, this only I have found: That God made man upright, But they have sought out many schemes."

- o The two tablets of stone. It refers to the perfect love.

The steps are as follows:

- a. The Burnt Offering. It refers to believing in Jesus and repenting (the first love). We confess our sin to God and others. We receive the remission of sins and we do not sin anymore. If we leave the sin, we will be loved by God. Love will cover a multitude of sins until there is no more sin.

Proverbs 28:13

28:13. He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.

1 Peter 4:8

4:8. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."

- b. The Golden Altar of Incense. It refers to the perseverance in committing Prayer Service.

So, the process of filling the Ark of Covenant with the three tools happens in the perseverance in the three kinds of main service to God in the sheepfold. Through the worship prayer, we receive the love of the sun or the perfect one (**Matthew 17:1-2**).

Luke 9:28-29,34

9:28. Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray.

9:29. As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe became white and glistening.

9:34. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were fearful as they entered the cloud.

The worship prayer is the process to tear the flesh with all of its lusts, so we experience the renewal of life to the spiritual men. One of the characteristics of the flesh that must be changed is fear. We are enlightened by the sun of God's love, so the fear is changed into having no fear. We just have the fear of God.

1 John 4:18

4:18. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

We can love God more than anything. We obey Him no matter risk may come. We can love others as we love ourselves; even we can love our enemy. We just do the good thing until we repay good for evil.

Mark 12:32-34

12:32. So the scribe said to Him, "Well said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is no other but He.

12:33. "And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices."

12:34. Now when Jesus saw that he answered wisely, He said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." But after that no one dared question Him.

The usefulnesses of the perfect love are as follows:

- i. The perfect love gives the heavenly wisdom.

Revelation 13:16-18

13:16. He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,

13:17. and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

13:18. Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666.

We are protected and taken care of by God in the midst of the difficulties in the world until the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. We win over the Antichrist with the mark 666. We are evacuated to the wilderness, and we are taken care of directly by God with the true teaching Word and Holy Communion. The heavenly wisdom also determines the beautiful and successful future in the midst of the crises of the world.

Ecclesiastes 10:10

10:10. If the ax is dull, And one does not sharpen the edge, Then he must use more strength; But wisdom brings success.

- ii. [Mark 12:34] We are not far from the kingdom of God. It is the same as experiencing the atmosphere of heaven and the heavenly bliss although in suffering.

Romans 8:35-36

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."

We can endure tribulation, persecution, and famine. We never step back. We are like sheep for the slaughter and only a step between us and death. By God's love, we can be strong, faithful, and fervent in the ministry to God

- iii. [Mark 12:34] No one dared question Him. It means that God's love makes us more than conquerors.

Romans 8:37

8:37. Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

God's love finishes all of our problems up to the impossible ones. We are weak, but we win over the stronger enemy because of God's love, so there is no more tear. We are happy with God.

- iv. God's love is the bond of perfection.

Colossians 3:14

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

We are changed to become as perfect as Jesus is when He comes a second time. We are put together to greet His second coming. We enter the New Jerusalem where there is no tear.

3. **Being covered with the mercy seat**(it will be explained in Prayer Service, February 10, 2022).

God blesses us.