

Bible Study Service in Malang, February 19, 2019 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 8:13

8:13 And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

There are two possibilities about the eagle as follows.

1. The people who reject the sound of the trumpet or the purification by repeated true teaching Word, or keep sinning up to the peak from now on will see and hear an eagle bringing the news about the fifth, the sixth, and the seventh blowing of the trumpet. It means experiencing the fifth, the sixth, and the seventh judgment of the Son of God.
2. The people who hear and obey the sound of the trumpet or experience the continual sanctification by the repeated true shepherding Word up to perfection like Jesus will appear as an eagle flying to a high mountain. It means the mount of prayer to wait for Jesus' second coming. We fly to the New Jerusalem and eternal kingdom of heaven.

Job 39:27-30

39:27. Does the eagle mount up at your command, And make its nest on high?

39:28. On the rocks it dwells and resides, On the crag of the rock and the stronghold.

39:29. From there it spies out the prey; Its eyes observe from afar.

39:30. Its young ones suck up blood; And where the slain are, there it is."

The facts found in the eagle or the people who wait for the Lord are as follows:

1. [verse 33] gathering together to the carcass. It means appreciating Christ's sacrifice on the cross.
2. [verse 31] dwelling on the rocks. It means worshipping God delightfully.
3. [verse 32] having eyes that observe from afar. It means the heavenly sight, so one dares to sacrifice worldly thing to get the heavenly one.
4. Our youth is renewed.

Psalm 103:5

103:5. Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

It means that we experience the renewal of life from fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus, so we have a new strength to face the increasing tempest of the world.

Micah 1:16

1:16. Make yourself bald and cut off your hair, Because of your precious children; Enlarge your baldness like an eagle, For they shall go from you into captivity.

We must be watchful. There is bald eagle while the other is renewed.

It refers to the people who do not experience the renewal of life but keep the sinful flesh and blood man up to the peak.

Consequently, he will be left behind when Jesus comes a second time. He will drown in the world up to drowning in the lake of fire and brimstone forever.

Why does the eagle become bald?

1. **Because of not gathering together to the carcass.** It means not appreciating Christ's sacrifice or the Holy Communion like Judas Iscariot.

Matthew 26:23,25

26:23. He answered and said, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me.

26:25. Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."

The right attitude when receiving the Holy Communion is doing the introspection in our life by the sharpness of the sword of the word. Finding any sin, we must confess.

Judas Iscariot does not want to do the introspection in his life by the sharpness of the sword of the word. He does not want to confess his sin. He keeps his sins as follows:

- A liar. He does not want to confess his sin, but blames others and God or the true teaching word.
- A thief. He steals the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offering, and the one of others who are in need, and the one of others through not paying the debt, making corruption, *et cetera*.
Let us give our time, power, money, mind, *et cetera*, and visit others who are in need.

- A betrayer.

Acts 1:17-20

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.*

1:19. *And it became known to all those dwelling in Jerusalem; so that field is called in their own language, Akel Dama, that is, Field of Blood.)*

1:20. *"For it is written in the book of Psalms: 'Let his dwelling place be desolate, And let no one live in it'; and, 'Let another take his office.'*

If we keep lying and stealing, we will become a betrayer, namely being unfaithful up to leaving the ministry to God.

Isaiah 22:15-20

22:15. *Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts: "Go, proceed to this steward, To Shebna, who is over the house, and say:*

22:16. *'What have you here, and whom have you here, That you have hewn a sepulcher here, As he who hews himself a sepulcher on high, Who carves a tomb for himself in a rock?*

22:17. *Indeed, the LORD will throw you away violently, O mighty man, And will surely seize you.*

22:18. *He will surely turn violently and toss you like a ball Into a large country; There you shall die, and there your glorious chariots Shall be the shame of your master's house.*

22:19. *So I will drive you out of your office, And from your position he will pull you down.*

22:20. *'Then it shall be in that day, That I will call My servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah;*

In the Old Testament, Shebna, who is over the house or kingdom of heaven leaves it to hew a sepulcher. It means being unfaithful up to leaving the ministry because of useless physical thing.

Consequently, his position is given to the other. He is ashamed and his life is not beautiful until he has no place in the kingdom of heaven.

Such life will be tossed by Satan as a ball, and fall into sins up to the peak.

Being unfaithful up to leaving the ministry is fool and in vain. It is like the house that falls and great is its fall.

It means that it is unable to be fixed anymore. It is the same as Judas who burst open in the middle and all his entrails gushed out

We must appreciate Christ's sacrifice or fight to faithfully and fervently serve and minister to God until the finish line.

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.*

2. **Because of making two fatal mistakes as follows:**

Jeremiah 2:13-16

2:13. *"For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, And hewn themselves cisterns--broken cisterns that can hold no water.*

2:14. *"Is Israel a servant? Is he a homeborn slave? Why is he plundered?"*

2:15. *The young lions roared at him, and growled; They made his land waste; His cities are burned, without inhabitant.*

2:16. *Also the people of Noph and Tahpanhes Have broken the crown of your head.*

- Forsaking the living waters or God Himself, namely the word, Holy Spirit, and the love of God.
The word refers to the Table of Showbread or perseverance in committing the Bible Study Service and the Holy Communion.
Holy Spirit refers to the Golden Candlestick or perseverance in committing the General Service.
The love of God refers to the Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in committing the Prayer Service.

Leaving the living waters is the same as leaving the sheepfold, namely the perseverance in committing three kinds of main service to God.

In the sheepfold there is guarantee of God's caring for our life now up to eternal life.

The sheepfold is the place where the bride meets the bridegroom.

Exodus 2:15-16,21

2:15. When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well.

2:16. Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters. And they came and drew water, and they filled the troughs to water their father's flock.

2:21. Then Moses was content to live with the man, and he gave Zipporah his daughter to Moses.

The seven daughters of Midian refer to the seven churches of the Gentiles. One of them is Zipporah. Moses met Zipporah at the well of shepherding.

In the New Testament, God meets a woman of Samaritan at the well of shepherding. God is able to help through the shepherding whatever condition we have.

There are three usefulnesses of the well of shepherding as follows:

- a. The place to flee from Pharaoh or the trinity of Satan who always chases us with the temptations in all things, sins up to the peak, and false teaching.
In the sheepfold, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God, so the trinity of Satan cannot touch, mislead, or make us fall.
- b. Sitting. It means that we experience serenity and peace in the middle of the waves of the world. It is the same as Jesus who sleeps in the middle of waves. We do not feel anything that the flesh feels.
- c. We are being prepared to become God's perfect bride. We enter the spiritual marriage or the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

○ Hewing ourselves cisterns--broken cisterns that can hold no water.

It means as follows:

- a. Joseph is cast into empty well because his brothers get envy and hate him.
- b. Leaving the true teaching and turning to the false one.

2 Peter 2:17

2:17. These are wells without water, clouds carried by a tempest, for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.

1 Timothy 6:20

6:20. O Timothy! Guard what was committed to your trust, avoiding the profane and idle babblings and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge--

The teaching of Babylon is the false one about prosperity and entertainment but without purification.

The teaching of Babylon also teaches false marriage, namely allowing mixed-marriage and divorce-remarrying.

The teaching of Babylon also teaches about unfaithfulness.

For example, the shepherd does not preach the word faithfully.

The teaching of Jezebel is the false one that allows woman to teach or have authority over men.

Consequently, Jesus cannot be the Head.

It is like Eve giving the forbidden fruit to Adam, so they get naked, live in curse, and perish forever.

The word of God is changed into jokes that result in spiritual death.

Jeremiah 2:17-18

2:17. Have you not brought this on yourself, In that you have forsaken the LORD your God When He led you in the way?

2:18. And now why take the road to Egypt, To drink the waters of Sihor? Or why take the road to Assyria, To drink the waters of the River?

The consequence is that one will be the captive of the world and its influence, namely being unfaithful in the ministry to God or serving and ministering to God only to seek for worldly things.

3. **There is no sweet smell.** It means having no worship or one does not want to worship God because of too many stench, namely gossip, evil speaking, blasphemy, *et cetera*.

Isaiah 3:24

3:24. And so it shall be: Instead of a sweet smell there will be a stench; Instead of a sash, a rope; Instead of well-set hair, baldness; Instead of a rich robe, a girding of sackcloth; And branding instead of beauty.

Song of Solomon 7:4

7:4. Your neck is like an ivory tower, Your eyes like the pools in Heshbon By the gate of Bath Rabbim. Your nose is like the tower of Lebanon Which looks toward Damascus.

The true worship is like an ivory tower. It means watching over the attack of the enemy.

Damascus means blood sucker.

It means that the worship is used to watch over Satan who sucks Jesus' blood.

If we do not want to worship God, Jesus' blood inside us will be sucked by Satan, so it does not work anymore in our life.

Consequently, we become weak and sick, and fall into sin. We are not active in spiritual things. It is the same as spiritual death up to the second death in the hell forever.

Worshipping God means that our eyes only see Him, our mouth cries out Jesus' name, and our hand is stretched out to Him.

We worship God, so we experience the renewal of life from fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus. It starts from the heart.

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."

Being lowly in heart is the ability to confess our sin to God and others and we do not sin anymore after being forgiven.

Being gentle is the ability to forgive others' sin and forget it.

The longsuffering means being patient in suffering by giving thanks and surrendering to God, not grumbling, but waiting the time of God by not looking for other way outside the word.

Ephesians 4:2

4:2. with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love,

As a result, we can bear and unify with one another. We are used in the building of the perfect body of Christ.

The building of the body of Christ happens during the crisis in the world, so we keep on trusting and hoping God. We stretch out our hands or totally surrender to God.

Exodus 14:15-16,21

14:15. And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.

14:16. "But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

14:21. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided.

Moses faced the Red Sea in front, Pharaoh and all his army behind, and the wilderness on his left and right. He cried and relied on his own power and cleverness.

God allowed Moses to face the dead end, so he could stretch out his hands to God and become lowly in heart, gentle, and patient.

As a result, God stretched out His hands to divide the waters. All labors, heavy burdens, and tears are born by God on the cross. All things become easy and light. The hands of God are able to take care of our life in the middle of difficulties and impossibilities. He finishes all impossible problems in due time.

A woman who has a flow of blood for twelve years often relies on others. She has suffered many things from many physicians. God allows her to experience the impossibility, the destruction in marriage and children, labor, and heavy burden. When she stretches out her hands to God, He is able to help her and give peace.

1 Peter 5:5

5:5. Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

The younger people are allowed to experience the total failure because of getting disobedient and resisting against God, shepherd, and parents.

If we stretch out our hands to God, He will help us. God makes our life beautiful and meaningful until we are purified and changed up to perfection like Him when He comes a second time.

God blesses us.