

Bible Study Service in Malang, July 07, 2011 (Thursday Evening)

Matthew 26:17-25 speaks about the **Passover**, and it consists of two parts as follows:

- Verse 17-19: the preparation of Passover.
- Verse 20-25: eating the Passover.

Matthew 26:17-19

26:17. Now on the first day of the Feast of the Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying to Him, "Where do You want us to prepare for You to eat the Passover?"

26:18 And He said, "Go into the city to a certain man, and say to him, 'The Teacher says, "My time is at hand; I will keep the Passover at your house with My disciples.'"

26:19 So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them; and they prepared the Passover.

Verse 17:

The Feast of the Unleavened Bread equals to the Passover feast or eating the Passover.

In Old Testament, the Passover was the deliverance of Israelites from Egypt.

In New Testament, the **Passover is the deliverance of us from the sins through repentance and being renewed by water and Spirit (water baptism and Holy Spirit baptism).**

The Passover will increase and peak on the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

Revelation 19:9

19:9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

Being delivered from sins from now, someday we will be delivered from all our sins, and we become perfect and lifted up from the world to welcome Jesus' second coming.

The marriage supper of the Lamb of God means the deliverance of the perfect Church of God from the world to meet Jesus as Heavenly Bridegroom on glorious clouds until we enter New Jerusalem or eternal heavenly kingdom (**Revelation 21**).

Verse 18:

"certain man" = **every body gets the same opportunity to be delivered from sin, to repent and be baptized of water and Spirit, until we enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God with Jesus.**

Do not be proud of sin!

Do not keep the sins!

Do not be indifferent to the sins!

Verse 19:

In the past, the disciples prepared the Passover by seeking the place Jesus wanted, preparing the table, the bread, et cetera, but for us now, **preparing the Passover means preparing our heart to be delivered from sins until we can enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.**

THE STEPS OF PREPARING THE PASSOVER ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Exodus 12:14-15

12:14 'So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance.

12:15 'Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses. For whoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.

EATING UNLEAVENED BREAD.

Leaven must be removed on the first day. Do not keep the leaven or else it will spread!

"Bread" means the Word of God.

"Unleavened" means truth and purity, not being mixed.

In shorts, **unleavened bread means the pure true teaching Word.**

There is little leaven may be allowed for human, but the Lord has commanded that there shall not be any leaven!

Do not consume all kinds of Word!

The truth of the Word is different from self-truth. The real truth must be according to the verses in Holy Bible.

THE SIGNS of the pure true teaching Word are as follows:

○ **Being written in Holy Bible.**

The Word written in Holy Bible has **the power to defeat Satan and temptation.** Jesus defeats Satan and the temptations with the Word written in Holy Bible.

On the contrary, Satan or temptation will be invited to come if we do not stand on the verses of Holy Bible.

○ **Being said by Jesus Himself.**

John 15:3

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

It is the Word whose secret is revealed by Jesus Himself through a verse explaining other verses.

Such a Word has **sanctification power** to increase the holiness of the congregation.

The Word which is explained with performance, et cetera, will be unclean and make the congregation unclean.

○ **Speaking about righteous and pure marriage.**

Bride Tidings directs our marriage to the perfect one to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

○ **Not peddling the Word of God, not seeking physical advantage.**

II Corinthians 2:17

2:17 For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

ATTITUDE to the pure true teaching Word must be as follows:

○ **I Timothy 4:1-2**

4:1. Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,

4:2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,

With assertiveness in the anointing of Holy Spirit:

a. We have assertiveness to hold fast one true teaching Word.

b. We have assertiveness to reject other teachings, we do not give any chance to hear other doctrines, namely false teaching and gossips none can be responsible of the truth.

It is important to observe that Eve heard the voice of serpent/Satan only once and she fell directly.

One will not depart from Jesus until He comes a second time if s/he has the assertiveness.

On the contrary, one will be doubtful to the true teaching Word if there is no anointing of Holy Spirit, and the flesh-interest is prominent. S/he will suppose that all teachings are same. Consequently, s/he will be perverted and leave the Lord.

The one keeping sins or something which is different with the true teaching Word is hard-hearted and going to be perverted.

○ **I Timothy 1:3**

1:3 As I urged you when I went into Macedonia--remain in Ephesus that you may charge some that they teach no other doctrine,

KEEP THE ONENESS of the true teaching Word in our private life, marriage, shepherding, and inter shepherding fellowship, until we enter the perfect body of Christ.

One body must have one Head, do not have other heads!
We will be able to support one another if we are one.

Deuteronomy 16:3

16:3 "You shall eat no leavened bread with it; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread with it, that is, the bread of affliction(for you came out of the land of Egypt in haste), that you may remember the day in which you came out of the land of Egypt all the days of your life.

The unleavened bread equals to the bread of affliction.

We indeed have to suffer because of God or because of keeping the true teaching Word.

Eating the unleavened bread means suffering as follows:

- We hear the true teaching Word solemnly until we understand.
It needs suffering in the flesh for hearing the Word solemnly, but it is sweet for our soul and spirit.
- We believe in the true teaching Word, although It is not in line with our logic or It is impossible. In such condition, the true teaching Word becomes true faith in our heart.

The true faith is the steadfast one, that we hold fast one true teaching Word.

We must suffer to hold fast one true teaching Word, such as being excommunicated, other people suppose that we have self-truth, et cetera, but we are with God.

- We practice the true teaching Word.

For example, Peter must suffer when he was obedient to throw the net in day after he had tried all night and been failed.

If we hear the Word solemnly until we practice It, **the true teaching Word will become our flesh and blood and Jesus' feelings, characteristics, and mind will be ours.**

Philippians 2:5-8

2:5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,

2:6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,

2:7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

Jesus' feelings, characteristics, and mind are as follows:

- Not keeping something that is considered as great thing, moreover the sin which is negative thing. The sin must not be kept but thrown away!
- Making Himself of no reputation.
He feels that He had nothing although He has all things.
- Taking the form of a bondservant;
= Loving to serve, not to be served.
= Being a servant who has no right but only duty (being *doulos*).
- Being obedient until the flesh does not sound anymore.

Jesus is obedient until He is willing to die on the cross although He is not guilty at all.

In the ministry of building the body of Christ, the Lord does not seek the rich or intelligent people.

He seeks the ones who do not suppose that they are great but the ones who want to throw away the sins, to serve without insisting the rights but with obedience.

The disobedient will destroy the body of Christ, not build it!

Whoever destroys the body of Christ will be destroyed.

THE RESULT:

Matthew 7:24-25

7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

7:25 "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

- Being wise or knowing the limit, especially we have to be careful in saying. Do not say words carelessly or gossip, none cannot be responsible of the truth.
The one knowing the limit or having wisdom will be successful.

For example, Judas Iscariot said words carelessly and supposed that the ministry of building Christ's body was a waste. Consequently, he was perished.

- Being endurable= not being hopeless or disappointed, but keeping faithful and fervent in spirit in service and ministry to the Lord until He comes a second time.

2. Exodus 12:15

12:15 'Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses. For whoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.

REMOVING LEAVEN means as follows:

- **Removing all leavens of sin, up to the peak**, namely the sins concerning eating & drinking such as smoking, being drunk, gambling, and drugs abused; and marrying-being given in marriage, that is to say sexual sins with all its kinds and false marriage.

All leavens of sin bring perdition!

- **Throwing away the leaven of false teaching.**
The leaven of false teaching also brings perdition!

II Peter 2:1

2:1. But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction.

THE PLACE which has to be free of leaven is as follows:

- **House = household or marriage.**

Exodus 12:15

12:15 'Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall remove leaven from your houses. For whoever eats leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that person shall be cut off from Israel.

The beginning of marriage must be free of leaven up to the end of the marriage, meaning it must be righteous and holy!

(The beginning of marriage is the introduction, courtship, engagement, and marriage until the end of the marriage whether with physical death or the second coming of Jesus.)

Hebrews 13:4

13:4 Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

Be alert!

Do not give any opportunity to the leaven of fornication or adultery through vision, deeds, et cetera!

Matthew 19:7-8

19:7 They said to Him, "Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?"

19:8 He said to them, "Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.

Be alert to the leaven of the hardness of heart!

The leaven of the hardness of heart equals to self-truth, that is to say blaming other people or perverting the verses of God's Word to cover his/her own sin.

The leaven of the hardness of heart or self-truth causes violence, strife, hatred, even hatred without any cause as Joseph's brothers have done to Joseph, war, and divorce.

Matthew 10:21

10:21 "Now brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents

and cause them to be put to death.

It is dangerous when someone divorces. If it is continued, the leaven of Pharisees or false teaching allowing the divorced to get marry with other person will enter.

Divorcing equals to being dead because the body is separated with its head. If it is continued with the leaven of Pharisees, it will become rotten or destroyed, and the marriage cannot be helped anymore.

- **All your territory refers to friendship with other people who are not Christians or Christians.**

Deuteronomy 16:4

16:4 "And no leaven shall be seen among you in all your territory for seven days, nor shall any of the meat which you sacrifice the first day at twilight remain overnight until morning.

I Corinthians 5:11

5:11 But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone named a brother, who is sexually immoral, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner--not even to eat with such a person.

Do not make friendship or fellowship with other people who live in sin, or else we will inherit their sinful characteristics!

Who never sins? Release from sin after we realize it!

Romans 16:17

16:17. Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

Do not make friendship or fellowship with other people teaching false doctrines, which are contrary to the one we have learned!

2011 is the year of separation. We will be separated if we do not enter the revival in the true teaching Word!

THE WAY to throw away the leaven is as follows:

- **II Corinthians 4:3-4**

4:3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

4:4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

The light of the gospel of the glory of Christ is **the true teaching Word or the sword or the Thummim.**
The leaven cannot spread where there is light!

- **John 16:8**

16:8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Hebrews 4:12-13

4:12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

4:13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

The light of Holy Spirit = Urim.

- **I John 1:7, 9**

1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1:9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

The blood of Jesus will work if there is the work of the light of the true teaching Word and Holy Spirit.

Jesus' blood equals to the light of God's love.

If the **Urim and Thummim work, or the Word is preached in the anointing of Holy Spirit**, all things which are dark will

be revealed so we can realize, regret, and confess our sins solemnly with sincerity to God and men.

Without the sword, sinful men tend to blame other people.

The blood of Jesus will be active to do these things when we confess our sins.

- To cover the sins or to forgive us.
- To pull out the root of sin, so we do not sin anymore but live in righteousness and holiness.

There is no other power that is able to kill the leaven!

Proverbs 28:13

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

Keeping the sins, one becomes dry in spirituality, failed, and perished.
On the contrary, whoever throws away the leaven of sin will have mercy.

Urim and Thummim were in the breastplate on the heart of High Priest.

Whoever wants to be sanctified until leaves the sins will have the mercy of God and be put on His heart.

His heart means His mercy or His grace as the heart which always beats.

THE RESULT:

- **Psalm 69:13-14**

69:13 But as for me, my prayer is to You, O LORD, in the acceptable time; O God, in the multitude of Your mercy, Hear me in the truth of Your salvation.

69:14 Deliver me out of the mire, And let me not sink; Let me be delivered from those who hate me, And out of the deep waters.

The multitude of God's mercy is as follows:

- a. It is greater than all our problems and falls.
- b. It is able to help us from all great and impossible problems.
- c. It is able to lift us up from all failures/falls, so we can be successful and have beautiful life.
- d. It lifts us up from fall in sins, so we can live in righteousness and holiness.

The more we belittle ourselves, the greater love of God we will feel.

- **Psalm 17:7**

17:7 Show Your marvelous lovingkindness by Your right hand, O You who save those who trust in You From those who rise up against them.

The marvelous lovingkindness is able to protect and preserve us in the world which has many difficulties and impossibilities, even to flee us from antichrist with two wings of a great eagle.

We are covered by God as the apple of His eye, He will not let a sand enter us.

- **Isaiah 54:6-10**

54:6. For the LORD has called you Like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, Like a youthful wife when you were refused," Says your God.

54:7 "For a mere moment I have forsaken you, But with great mercies I will gather you.

54:8 With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you," Says the LORD, your Redeemer.

54:9 "For this is like the waters of Noah to Me; For as I have sworn That the waters of Noah would no longer cover the earth, So have I sworn That I would not be angry with you, nor rebuke you.

54:10 For the mountains shall depart And the hills be removed, But My kindness shall not depart from you, Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed," Says the LORD, who has mercy on you.

The everlasting mercy of God is as follows:

- a. It is able to protect us from all judgments of God to the world, even the from the judgment in hell.
- b. It takes us to become God's bride, we are perfected to be able to welcome Jesus' second coming and to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

The Holy Communion is the source of God's mercy which is great, miraculous, and everlasting.

God blesses you.