

Bible Study Service in Malang, May 07, 2019 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 9:11

9:11. *And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon.*

Every sin has its king or head, namely the angel of the bottomless pit whose name is Abaddon or Apollyon. He controls human including the servants of God, so they commit sins up to the peak. He also binds them in sins up to the peak, so it is hard to set them free from sins up to the peak.

The consequence is experiencing the sting of scorpion for five months up to perdition forever.

We must put Jesus as the head, so we are set free from the angel of the bottomless pit whose name is Abaddon or Apollyon.

There are three appearances of Jesus as the Head in the epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians as follows:

1. **Jesus as the King of kings** who puts all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

Ephesians 1:22-23

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1 Corinthians 15:25-26

15:25. *For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.*

15:26. *The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.*

Placing Jesus as the Head means that **we have to become the kings.**

The facts found in it are as follows:

- Winning over the sins up to the peak or not sinning.
- We live in righteousness in all of our life.
- We must hold fast the true teaching word, so we are not deceived by false teaching.

2 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.*

False prophets or teachers insert the false teaching little by little, so we do not realize it until we are bound by it as well as leaving the true one and denying Jesus.

A shepherd who is holy, faithful, and anointed by Holy Spirit has the gift of considering the spirit, so he can firmly discern both true and false teachings.

We do not compromise at all to the false teaching.

We do not give any chance to hear the false teaching even once.

If we do not commit sins up to the peak, we will live in righteousness and hold fast the true teaching word.

As a result, we have the fence from linen, namely the fence of sincerity and truth.

Psalm 5:12

5:12. *For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as with a shield.*

If we have the fence of sincerity and truth, we will receive the fence of blessing and God's mercy that fulfill all of our need.

2. **Jesus as the High Priest or the Head of the ministry.**

Ephesians 4:15-16

4:15. *but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head--Christ--*

4:16. *from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working*

by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

Placing Jesus as the Head means that **we have to become the priests**.

The priest is one who is holy and being anointed by Holy Spirit.

That is why we must be in the Holy Place or the sheepfold, namely we have perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God.

As a result, we experience the purification continuously and increasing anointing, so we do not transgress the holiness.

We keep living in holiness up to perfection.

2 Timothy 1:6

1:6. Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.

The ministry and gift of Holy Spirit are our place in the body of Christ.

If we do not have any ministry, we also do not have any place in the body of Christ and heaven.

The ministry and gift of Holy Spirit are the tunic of many colors.

If we do not have any ministry, we will be naked and unable to enter the kingdom of heaven.

Our attitude after having the ministry and the gift of Holy Spirit is that we have to minister to God faithfully and fervently, faithfully and correctly until the finish line.

Matthew 25:26-30

25:26. "But his lord answered and said to him, "You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

25:27. 'So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.

25:28. 'Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents.

25:29. 'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.

25:30. 'And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Be watchful! There are many servants of God who are wicked and lazy.

Being lazy means becoming unfaithful in the ministry, even leaving it.

Being wicked or bad means becoming stingy and greedy.

Stinginess means that one cannot give for doing God's work and to others who are in need.

Greediness means that one steals others' and God's, namely the tithe and special offering.

Being wicked also means hitting another servant of God. It means that one harms the other servants of God, does the evil thing, returns evil for evil, even returns evil for good.

The wicked and lazy servant is the same as the useless one; even he is destroying the body of Christ.

The head is the angel of the bottomless pit whose name is Abaddon or Apollyon, so one is dragged to the bottomless pit. He suffers and is tormented up to perdition forever.

Why do we have to become the faithful and good royal priesthood or the priest and king until the finish line?

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.

We become living stones who are used in the ministry of the building of a spiritual house.

The living stones mean that we live by God's mercy that is worth Jesus' sacrifice or His blood on the cross.

The results are as follows:

- We can live anywhere and in any circumstances up to eternal life.
Being the living stones are the same as becoming the apple of God's eye. We will never be left by God.
- The mercy of God makes our life organized neatly.

Ephesians 4:16

4:16. from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

- We become the precious stones in the New Jerusalem.

Be watchful! Judas Iscariot was a disciple, treasurer, and person whom God trusted. He was a great servant of God, but he walked with the scribes who were against Jesus.

Judas became lazy and unfaithful in the ministry, even he left it because of something in the world.

Revelation 18:21

18:21. Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore."

Consequently, one drowns in the sea of the world. He falls into the sins of Babylon, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage. He is totally failed up to perdition in the lake of fire and brimstone forever.

3. Jesus as the heavenly Bridegroom.

Ephesians 5:23,25-27

5:23. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

5:25. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

5:26. that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,

5:27. that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Placing Jesus as the Head means that **we have to become the heavenly bride or body of Christ.**

We have to experience the double and continuous purification and renewal of life by the things as follows:

- Water. It means the true water baptism.

The true water baptism is according to the will of God, and we are baptized like Jesus is.

Matthew 3:16

3:16. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.

Romans 6:4

6:4. Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

The implementation of the true water baptism is that 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. As a result, the door of heaven is opened and we receive a new life, namely the heavenly one.

- The rain of the true teaching Word.

Deuteronomy 32:1-2

32:1 "Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

32:2 Let my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew, as raindrops on the tender herb, and as showers on the grass.

After being drowned in the water baptism, the hard stone must be drowned again in the rain of the true teaching word up to perfection like Jesus.

What must be purified? The double purification is for purifying us from the leprosy.

Leviticus 14:8-9

14:8. "He who is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, shave off all his hair, and wash himself in water, that he may be clean. After that he shall come into the camp, and shall stay outside his tent seven days.

14:9. "But on the seventh day he shall shave all the hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows -- all his hair he shall shave off. He shall wash his clothes and wash his body in water, and he shall be clean.

The color of the leprosy is white. It refers to the self-truth, namely covering sin by blaming at others.

The leprosy must be purified to become the truth of God, namely confessing and forgiving one another.

If we are false, we must confess our sin to God and others. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven!

If we are true, we must forgive others' sin and forget it.

As a result, our heart will experience peace. We just feel the love and mercy of God in our life, so we can pray.

1 Peter 4:7

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

Peaceful heart is the one of the bride. We do not feel anything that flesh feels anymore. We can trust and cry to God. We only hope His mercy, and He will always remember and care for us. He struggles for stretching out His merciful hands.

The results are as follows:

- a. God's merciful hands are able to destroy Satan, the source of impossible problems, tears, failures, and the falls in sin.

Romans 16:20

16:20. And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

- b. God's merciful hands are able to take care of our life miraculously.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

5:23. Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

5:24. He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it.

- c. God's merciful hands purify and change us up to perfection like Jesus.
We do not stumble in words. We can greet Jesus when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

God blesses us.