

Bible Study Service in Malang, May 12, 2020 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 11:7-10

11:7. *When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them.*

11:8. *And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.*

11:9. *Then those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves.*

11:10. *And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.*

The title of the passage is The Witnesses Killed.

It means as follows:

- Physically, it is the end of mass murder to the church and servants of God by the antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years.
- Being killed refers to the crucifixion to the flesh to fulfill the measurement from God along with the church of God who is left in the world and tormented when the antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years.

There is the separation among the servants of God in the book of Revelation: 11:1- 2 as follows:

1. The group of the churches of God who fulfill the measurement from God, namely the tearing or crucifixion to the flesh until the flesh does not speak anymore.

Revelation 11:1

11:1. *Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there."*

This group may fly into the wilderness, far from the eyes of the antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years. They cannot be seen by the Antichrist; even the Antichrist cannot touch them.

Further, we will be lifted up to the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time.

2. The group of the churches or servants of God who do not fulfill the measurement from God. It means that the flesh is still speaking or the veil has not been torn yet.

They still keep the lust of the flesh, so they become disobedient. They follow the lust of the flesh more than the will of God. They are emotional or impatient, lazy, and wicked or unfaithful to God and others.

Revelation 11:2

11:2. *"But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months."*

Consequently, they will be left in the world when the antichrist reigns over the world, so they experience the persecution of the antichrist for three and a half years up to being beheaded to fulfill the measurement from God, namely the flesh does not speak anymore.

If we follow God just for the thing that is comfortable for flesh, we will not fulfill the measurement from Him.

How can we fulfill the measurement from God?

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'Rise' refers to the revival.

John the apostle experiences the revival, so he fulfills the measurement from God, and so does Zechariah.

Zechariah 4:1

4:1. *Now the angel who talked with me came back and wakened me, as a man who is wakened out of his sleep.*

Paul the apostle also advises us to experience the revival, so we can fulfill the measurement from God, namely the tearing or crucifixion to the flesh until the veil is torn and we are perfected.

Ephesians 5:14

5:14. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

The church of God who does not experience the revival will sleep and die spiritually. It means that he has not fulfilled the measurement from God yet or the flesh is still speaking. Consequently, he must experience the persecution of the antichrist to fulfill the measurement from God.

We just need to choose either entering the revival or the persecution of the antichrist. It is better to follow God to put to death the flesh.

The facts of the church of God who does not experience the revival are as follows:

1. The church of God is in the atmosphere of spiritual sleep.

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5:14. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

The spiritual sleep means as follows:

- o The fool servant of God.

Ephesians 5:15

5:15. See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,

It means that he cannot be advised.

Titus 3:10

3:10. Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition,

'*Reject*' is the same as not having fellowship.

The fool also means that one does not want to receive the rebuke and advice from the Word. He rejects the true teaching word or Jesus' word.

- o Being unwise.

Ephesians 5: 17

5:17. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

It means that one wants to hear the true teaching word, but he does not want to understand and believe in it, instead he makes fun of it.

It happens a lot in the last days, especially mocking Jesus' second coming. The true things are mocked and the false things are justified. This is about the unwise men.

2 Peter 3:3-4

3:3. knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts,

3:4. and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."

The atmosphere of spiritual sleep is the same as the one without the true teaching word.

There are many revivals without the true teaching word. It is the same as sleeping. Consequently, one experiences the spiritual famine and persecution of the antichrist.

2. In the atmosphere of spiritual drunkenness.

Ephesians 5:18

5:18. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

The spiritual drunkenness means being without Holy Spirit or living in the flesh with all of its lusts, desires, and strength. This condition is the same as the one of the church of the Laodiceans.

Revelation 3:15-17

3:15. "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot.

3:16. "So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth.

3:17. "Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing' --and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked--

'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing' is the same as relying on their own power. They feel that they are great, able, and rich, so they do not need God. They have locked the door and let God knock it.

Getting drunk means that one is not controlled by the head. He just feels great, *et cetera*. If one has said: 'I am rich' (prosperity), it will be followed by entertainment, but without purification in the ministry.

Being lukewarm or neither cold nor hot means as follows:

- Not being hot. It means that one is not faithful and fervent. The heat of God is that we minister faithfully and fervently.
- Not being cold. It means that one has no peace but keeps on quarreling because of physical problem in household and church.

Consequently, he will be vomited by God. He cannot satisfy and please God but shames and makes the heart of God grieved until his life becomes disgusting and unclean like vomit.

The church of God who does not experience the revival is the same as the sleeping church or being without the true teaching word and Holy Spirit.

The consequences are as follows:

1. One cannot ascend into the mountain but at the foot of the mountain. It means that he cannot reach the mount of prayer or the tearing of flesh, so he experiences the spiritual epilepsy.

Matthew 17: 14-21

17:14. *And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying,*

17:15. *"Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water.*

17:16. *"So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him."*

17:17. *Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me."*

17:18. *And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.*

17:19. *Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?"*

17:20. *So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.*

17:21. *"However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."*

We will not be able to ascend into the mountain without faith and Holy Spirit.

The spiritual epilepsy means as follows:

- One does not experience the renewal of life, but keeps the fleshly man with all of its lusts, so he just sins up to the peak, namely the sins of eating-drinking (smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse) and marrying-giving in marriage (fornication between man and woman who are not husband and wife, false marriage, mixed-marriage and divorce-remarrying, and marrying-giving in marriage). Be careful! The mixed-marriage just makes the heart of parents sore and the heart of God grieved.
 - The destruction in marriage and children. Do not rely on our greatness in the marriage!
 - Sorrow and tear up to impossibility.
2. One does not have the two wings of a great eagle, so he must experience the persecution of the antichrist for three and a half years to put to death the flesh and fulfill the measurement from God. If one does not worship the antichrist but keeps worshipping God, he will experience tribulation up to being killed to fulfill the measurement from God, and he will be risen to be lifted up to the heaven.

It is better to receive the teaching word and experience the revival at this moment than experience the persecution of the

antichrist because only few people can survive at the time.

Ephesians 5:14

5:14. Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

That is why we must experience the revival from now on until we fulfill the measurement from God, namely the flesh does not speak anymore, so we are set free from the antichrist. We cannot be touched and seen by the antichrist.

The facts of experiencing the revival are as follows:

1. Becoming wise men, namely we hear earnestly until we understand, believe, and practice the will of God or the true teaching word.

Ephesians 5:15-17

5:15. See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise,

5:16. redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

5:17. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Moses had been failed in ministering two men before he followed the will of God. It means that he could not minister the marriage. But, he became successful and used by God after he followed the will of God.

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Table of Showbread, namely perseverance in committing the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion. We have fellowship with the Son of God in the teaching Word and the sacrifice of Christ. We practice the Word, so it is ingrained in our life. This is the wisdom of heaven.

2. Being filled with the Spirit.

Ephesians 5:18

5:18. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Golden Candlestick, namely perseverance in committing the General Service. We have fellowship with Holy Spirit God in His anointing and gifts. We are filled and anointed by Holy Spirit until He overflows in us.

3. Giving thanks and worshipping God.

Ephesians 5:19-20

5:19. speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

5:20. giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

In the Tabernacle, it refers to the Golden Altar of Incense, namely perseverance in committing the Prayer Service. We have fellowship with Father God in His love.

The prayer we talk about is the prayer up to fasting prayer.

Matthew 17:21

17:21. "However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

So, the revival is started from the shepherding until it is abundant, and then we bring it to the fellowship.

The true teaching word and the anointing of Holy Spirit will encourage us to worship God or ascend into a high mountain.

Matthew 17:1-2

17:1. Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

17:2. and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

If our spiritual life increases, the physical life will increase too.

We ascend into a high mountain, so we experience the renewal of life from fleshly men to spiritual ones like Jesus. It is the biggest miracle, while there is the epilepsy at the foot of the mountain.

What must be changed?

1. Being lowly in heart.

Ephesians 5:21

5:21. submitting to one another in the fear of God.

Philippians 2:3

2:3. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself

Being lowly in heart means as follows:

- Letting each esteem others better than himself. Do not feel great like the church of the Laodiceans!
- The ability to confess our sin to God and others. Do not sin anymore after being forgiven!

2. Being gentle. It means as follows:

- The ability to receive the true and hard teaching word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.
- The ability to forgive others' sin and forget it.

3. Being patient. It means as follows:

- Being patient in suffering to help others like Jesus.
- Being patient in waiting the time of God when facing the problem. We do not look for the way which is not according to God, because it is the same as the deadlock and destruction.

4. The fleshly fear is changed into the fear of God.

The fleshly fear means that one is afraid of something up to resisting against God.

The fear of God means that one is fearful of doing sins up to perverse mouth.

5. Obedience until our flesh does not speak anymore.

If we are not lowly in heart, gentle, and patient, we will neither fear God nor obey Him.

If we have the fear of God, we will receive Holy Spirit with His seven manifestations.

Isaiah 11:1-3

11:1. There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

11:2. The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him⁽¹⁾, The Spirit of wisdom⁽²⁾ and understanding⁽³⁾, The Spirit of counsel⁽⁴⁾ and might⁽⁵⁾, The Spirit of knowledge⁽⁶⁾ and of the fear of the LORD⁽⁷⁾.

11:3. His delight is in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;

We are in the anointing of Holy Spirit although we are just a rod.

A rod refers to the rice plant or wheat stalk that has been cut, and just to be burned or plowed.

Physically, the rod refers to one who is useless and worthless. He cannot be expected or relied on like something which is dead.

Spiritually, the stubble is used to make brick and build Pithom and Raamses, the illustration of Babylon.

Maybe we have sinned up to the peak. It means that we have become the rod. But, if we willingly experience the revival, are shepherded well and correctly, and experience the renewal of life to become lowly in heart, gentle, patient, fearful of God, and obedient, the rod will sprout, bloom, and produce fruits.

It means as follows:

1. Sprouting refers to one who has a hope. God will take care of and protect us miraculously although we are powerless in the middle of difficulties in the world until the antichrist reigns over the world, even eternal life.

The thing that has already been dead will be brought back to life by God.

2. Blooming means as follows:

a. Holy Spirit is able to give His gifts that determine our ministry, so we are used in the revival of Holy Spirit in the last rain until we may fly into the wilderness, being far from the eyes of the antichrist and lifted up to the glorious clouds when Jesus comes a second time.

b. Our life becomes successful and beautiful.

3. Producing fruits refers to the renewal of life that results in nine fruits of the Spirit up to 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.*

What must be controlled? We learn from a father whose son was epileptic.

Mark 9:24

9:24. Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"

Do not doubt, but totally trust and commit ourselves to God. We stretch out our hands to God. He will stretch out His hands to make all things beautiful in His time.

All things are finished in His time until we become perfect. We are worthy to greet His second coming on the glorious clouds.

God blesses us.