

Bible Study Service in Malang, September 01, 2016 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 4:5

4:5 *And from the throne proceeded lightnings, thunderings, and voices. Seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.*

The seven burning lamps of fire before the throne are the same as the seven lamps of Golden Candlestick.

Judges 16:13

16:13 *Delilah said to Samson, "Until now you have mocked me and told me lies. Tell me what you may be bound with." And he said to her, "If you weave the seven locks of my head into the web of the loom" --*

They are also the same as the seven locks of the head of Samson, referring to the power of Holy Spirit. **Samson had relationship with three women as follows.**

1. Samson and the woman of Philistine, referring to the church at the early rain.
2. Samson and a harlot, referring to the middle church.
3. Samson and Delilah, referring to the church of the latter rain.

Ad.1. Samson and the woman of Philistine, referring to the church at the early rain.

Judges 14:1-3, 12-13

14:1 *Now Samson went down to Timnah, and saw a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines.*

14:2 *So he went up and told his father and mother, saying, "I have seen a woman in Timnah of the daughters of the Philistines; now therefore, get her for me as a wife."*

14:3 *Then his father and mother said to him, "Is there no woman among the daughters of your brethren, or among all my people, that you must go and get a wife from the uncircumcised Philistines?" And Samson said to his father, "Get her for me, for she pleases me well."*

14:12 *Then Samson said to them, "Let me pose a riddle to you. If you can correctly solve and explain it to me within the seven days of the feast, then I will give you thirty linen garments and thirty changes of clothing.*

14:13 *"But if you cannot explain it to me, then you shall give me thirty linen garments and thirty changes of clothing." And they said to him, "Pose your riddle, that we may hear it."*

Samson posed a riddle which could be answered only by him. It means that Holy Spirit gives the revelation of God's Word through a verse that explains other verses in the Bible or the true teaching Word.

If the riddle can be solved, we will get the linen garments and changes of clothing. It means that Holy Spirit helps us, so we can hear the true teaching Word seriously until we can understand and believe in it or it becomes faith in our heart until we can obey it. It means that we do not fulfill the desire of our flesh, but obey the will of God or the Word although it is not in line with the desire of our flesh.

As a result, we get the linen garments and changes of clothing. It means that our nakedness is covered and we are moved from the atmosphere of curse or weariness, heavy burden, tears, and bitterness to the one of paradise of the heavenly kingdom. Finally, we receive the fine linen, clean and bright or the garments of the bride.

Revelation 19:8

19:8 *And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.*

Ad.2. Samson and a harlot, referring to the middle church.

Judges 16:1, 3

16:1 *Now Samson went to Gaza and saw a harlot there, and went in to her.*

16:3 *And Samson lay low till midnight; then he arose at midnight, took hold of the doors of the gate of the city and the two gateposts, pulled them up, bar and all, put them on his shoulders, and carried them to the top of the hill that faces Hebron.*

The middle church experienced a spiritual degradation. The midnight time is the darkest one. It refers to the peak of sin, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking such as smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse, as well as the ones concerning marrying-being given in marriage such as sexuality sin and wrong marriage. Thus, the middle church has the spiritual degradation by falling and living in sin up to the peak.

Holy Spirit anoints the true teaching Word, so it becomes the sanctification Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword [Hebrews 4:12]. It is able to sanctify us up to the gate or pillar of sin as follows.

1. Heart.

Matthew 15:19

15:19 "For out of the heart proceed (1)evil thoughts, (2)murders, (3)adulteries, (4)fornications, (5)thefts, (6>false witness, (7)blasphemies.

If the heart is filled with seven evil and unclean desires, the seven lamps will be quenched, the heart and eyes are dark, and the life has no control anymore.

2. Five senses (the entrance of sin).

It starts from the mouth that says idle words such as lie, gossip, and blasphemy.

Matthew 12:36-37

12:36 "But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.

12:37 "For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

The blasphemy means blaming the true teachings and supporting the false ones.

The heart and mouth are sanctified, so we can be honest. We say "yes" if "yes" and "no" if "no". The results are as follows.

1. The pillar and entrance of sin must be pulled up and brought to the top of the hill that faces Hebron which means fellowship.

Judges 16:3

16:3 And Samson lay low till midnight; then he arose at midnight, took hold of the doors of the gate of the city and the two gateposts, pulled them up, bar and all, put them on his shoulders, and carried them to the top of the hill that faces Hebron.

It means that we can enter the true fellowship of the body of Christ. It starts from the true marriage and shepherding. We must be honest. Do not hide anything.

2. We become the house of prayer where Jesus may pass and our prayer is answered by God.

Proverbs 15:8

15:8 *The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, But the prayer of the upright is His delight.*

Our life becomes easy and light. All problems are solved by God right in His time. Our tears are wiped away and we feel the joy of heaven.

3. We do not stumble in word.

James 3:2

3:2 *For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.*

It means that we are as perfect as Jesus. We only cry out "Alleluia" or the voice of bride.

Revelation 19:6-7

19:6 *And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!*

19:7 *"Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready."*

We are ready to welcome Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

Ad.3. Samson and Delilah, referring to the church of the latter rain.

Judges 16:4, 6

16:4 *Afterward it happened that he loved a woman in the Valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.*

16:6 *So Delilah said to Samson, "Please tell me where your great strength lies, and with what you may be bound to afflict you."*

Delilah refers to the church of the latter rain who cries to understand Samson himself. Samson revealed himself four times. It is the same as **Holy Spirit reveals Jesus four times.**

1. Samson told about the seven fresh bowstrings, namely the armor of the kings. It refers to Jesus as the King. It is written by Matthew in the gospel according to Matthew.

Judges 16:7-8

16:7 *And Samson said to her, "If they bind me with seven fresh bowstrings, not yet dried, then I shall become weak, and be like any other man."*

16:8 So the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven fresh bowstrings, not yet dried, and she bound him with them.

2. The new ropes. The new ropes are for working. They refer to Jesus as a servant. It is written in the gospel according to Mark.

Judges 16:11

16:11 So he said to her, "If they bind me securely with new ropes that have never been used, then I shall become weak, and be like any other man."

3. The seven locks of head which were woven into the web of the loom. It refers to Jesus as a man. It is written in the gospel according to Luke.

Judges 16:13

16:13 Delilah said to Samson, "Until now you have mocked me and told me lies. Tell me what you may be bound with." And he said to her, "If you weave the seven locks of my head into the web of the loom" --

4. The seven locks of the head were shaven. This is a private secret. It means that Holy Spirit shows Jesus as the Son of God or the glorious Heavenly Bridegroom. It is written in the gospel according to John.

Judges 16:17

16:17 that he told her all his heart, and said to her, "No razor has ever come upon my head, for I have been a Nazirite to God from my mother's womb. If I am shaven, then my strength will leave me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man."

Samson poured all his heart to Delilah, namely the secret about his power and glory. It means that Holy Spirit reveals the power, strength, and glory of the Lord as the glorious Son of God and the Heavenly Bridegroom through the preaching of Bride Tidings.

1 Peter 3:4-5

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.

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

Bride Tidings changes our life from the fleshly man to the glorious one like Jesus is. We are adorned with the characteristics of the bride as follows.

1. Gentleness or the ability to receive the Word how sharp it is in showing us our sins. We can realize our sins, regret, and confess them to God and others. After being forgiven, we must not sin again. We must also forgive and forget the sins of others.
2. Quietness. We keep silent to correct ourselves by the sharpness of the sword of God's Word.
3. Submission or obedience until our flesh does not speak anymore.

Judges 16:19

16:19 Then she lulled him to sleep on her knees, and called for a man and had him shave off the seven locks of his head. Then she began to torment him, and his strength left him.

Be careful! Delilah did not obey Samson, but overcame him. It means as follows.

1. Keeping the fleshly desires and resisting against the will of God.
2. Preaching or testifying Bride Tidings only to look for physical advantages such as money, position, and so on.

The consequences are as follows.

1. **The eyes are put out, so they are blind or dark.**

Judges 16:21

16:21 Then the Philistines took him and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza. They bound him with bronze fetters, and he became a grinder in the prison.

It means **there is no revelation of God's Word**. One cannot understand the Word, so he lives in dryness and darkness. Many sins are hidden up to the peak. There is no future and eternal life.

2. **Samson was commanded to perform.**

Judges 16:25

16:25 So it happened, when their hearts were merry, that they said, "Call for Samson, that he may perform for us." So they called for Samson from the prison, and he performed for them. And they stationed him between the pillars.

It means that **not the Word is preached, but joke, and so on.**

Ephesians 5:4

5:4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.

Consequently, there is no atmosphere of the kingdom of heaven in the service to God, but the one of the temple of Dagon.

Judges 16:23

16:23 Now the lords of the Philistines gathered together to offer a great sacrifice to Dagon their god, and to rejoice. And they said: "Our god has delivered into our hands Samson our enemy!"

The service and ministry in the idolatry will aim at Babylon or the bride of Satan who only magnifies the riches or physical things. She is sustained by the wings of a stork, namely the antichrist with the power of riches and physical entertainment.

Zechariah 5:8-11

5:8 then he said, "This is Wickedness!" And he thrust her down into the basket, and threw the lead cover over its mouth.

5:9 Then I raised my eyes and looked, and there were two women, coming with the wind in their wings; for they had wings like the wings of a stork, and they lifted up the basket between earth and heaven.

5:10 So I said to the angel who talked with me, "Where are they carrying the basket?"

5:11 And he said to me, "To build a house for it in the land of Shinar; when it is ready, the basket will be set there on its base."

Revelation 17:3-5

17:3 So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

17:4 The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication.

17:5 And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

The true church is sustained by the two wings of a great eagle, namely the true teaching Word and the anointing of Holy Spirit.

The functions of the two wings of a great eagle are as follows.

1. **Bringing us near God.**

Exodus 19:4-6

19:4 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself.

19:5 'Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

19:6 'And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

It means that we become the priests and kings.

A priest means one who is holy and bears the priest office.

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,

We receive the ministry and the gifts of Holy Spirit through the laying on of the hand of a pastor.

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.

A priest is someone who serves and ministers to God in the building of Christ's body with faithfulness and fervency in spirit.

A holy, faithful, and fervent servant of God is the same as the apple of God's eye. It means that such servant of God is preserved and protected by God in the midst of difficulties in the wilderness of the world. Moreover, Babel cannot touch him.

Zechariah 2:7-8

2:7 "Up, Zion! Escape, you who dwell with the daughter of Babylon."

2:8 For thus says the LORD of hosts: "He sent Me after glory, to the nations which plunder you; for he who touches you touches the apple of His eye."

2. Giving us extra power, so we are strong and of good courage to welcome Jesus' second coming.

Isaiah 40:29-31

40:29 He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.

40:30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall,

40:31 But those who wait on the LORD Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint.

Being strong and of good courage means as follows.

- We keep fervent in spirit and faithful in serving and ministering to God until Jesus comes a second time. We are not weary or weak.
- We keep on living in righteousness. We do not fall in sin, but keep holy.
- We are not hopeless or disappointed. We do not leave God regardless of anything we must face. We keep on believing and hoping in God as well as stretching out our hands, surrendering, and crying out to Him.

As a result, the hands of God are stretched out to embrace and cover us with the two wings of a great eagle to bring us to pass the storm of the sea of the world. All things become calm, easy, and light until we are brought to the wilderness, far away from the presence of the antichrist who reigns over the world for three and a half years.

The two wings of a great eagle lift us up to make all things successful and beautiful. We are changed to be as glorious as Jesus is. We become the bride of God who is ready to welcome Jesus' second coming on the glorious clouds.

God blesses you.