

Fellowship in Malang V, August 02, 2012 (Thursday Evening)

The theme is "The Bridegroom is coming! Go out to meet Him!" (Matthew 25:6)

Matthew 25:6

25:6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: *Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!*"

The only tiding we need on the last days or midnight which is the darkest time when we are welcoming Jesus's second coming is Bride Tiding.

The Bride Tiding is not the possession of one organization because it is pure from the Bible, so it is the possession of all churches.

Hebrews 5:11-13

5:11 *of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.*

5:12 *For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.*

5:13 *For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.*

Tonight we learn the Bride Tiding as spiritual food.

There are two kinds of spiritual food as follows.

1. The milk or the Gospel of Salvation. It is called good tiding as a swallow of water to help the thirsty at the wilderness of the world.

The food will cause us to move.

The food or the milk of the gospel of salvation results in the revival of Holy Spirit at the early rain, namely the revival to save the sinful.

The sign of salvation is that we believe in Jesus, repent, and have new life in the righteousness. As a result, we are saved and blessed by God.

The direction is from Jerusalem (Israel) to Judea, Samaria, western countries, up to the end of the earth, namely Papua.

2. Solid food or teaching Word, that is the gospel of the glory of Christ that is the image of God. It is called Bride Tiding.

The solid food or teaching Word results in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain, that is revival to sanctifies and perfects us to make us mature in our spirituality as the perfect Bride of God who is ready to welcome Jesus's second coming.

The revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain is the revival of building the perfect body of Christ, beginning from marriage as the smallest body of Christ, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the international body of Christ.

The direction is from the east to the west, Samaria, Judea, and returns to Jerusalem (Israel).

The house of Israel is waiting for the Messiah to physically rebuild the temple of God. They believe that their country will be safe if there is temple of God there.

The Gentiles and the house of Israel will be united in the one perfect body of Christ if the house of Israel has received Jesus. Afterwards, we will be brought on glorious clouds to enter New Jerusalem or eternal heavenly kingdom when Jesus comes a second time.

Matthew 24:27

24:27 *"For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be."*

The revival in Bride Tiding is as the lighting coming from the east and flashing to the west.

Rejecting the solid food or Bride Tiding, there are two great consequences as follows.

1. The spirituality remains as a child. There is no spiritual maturity, so one is easily doubted by false teachings.

Hebrews 5:13-14

5:13 *For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe.*

5:14 *But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

Prophecy is different from prediction. The prophecy has spiritual value and purpose.

A child is easily deceived by false teaching, so they cannot enter the marriage supper of the Lamb of God. They are left when Jesus comes a second time to get forever perdition.

2. One cannot enter the revival of the building of the body of Christ, meaning entering the revival of building the body of Babylon or the bride of Satan.

Be alert! There are two kinds of great revival in spiritual meanings, namely the revival of building the perfect body of Christ or the Bride of God and the revival of building the body of Babylon or the bride of Satan who will perish forever.

The development or stages of the building of Babylon is as follows.

1. The building of the tower of Babylon.

Genesis 11:1-4, 9

11:1 Now the whole earth had one language and one speech.

11:2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar, and they dwelt there.

11:3 Then they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They had brick for stone, and they had asphalt for mortar.

11:4 And they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."

11:9 Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

It is built from bricks, referring to the clay or human that is burnt with fire of sin, flesh, and the world.

The facts found in the building of the tower of Babylon are as follows.

- They make or seek name for themselves. It means seeking popularity, riches, glory, and trying to be in the top until they forget to seek the name of the Lord. In such condition, they are without the name of the Lord, the Word of God, and salvation.

Psalms 138:2

138:2 I will worship toward Your holy temple, And praise Your name For Your lovingkindness and Your truth; For You have magnified Your word above all Your name.

Joining fellowship without the name of Jesus means there is no revelation of the Word of God and one only seeks his own popularity as the building of the tower of Babylon.

- The clay is used to build the supply cities. It means the whole life is used only to seek physical matters and daily needs in the world until there is no faithfulness, even one leaves the service and ministry to the Lord.

Exodus 1:11-14

1:11 Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh supply cities, Pithom and Raamses.

1:12 But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were in dread of the children of Israel.

1:13 So the Egyptians made the children of Israel serve with rigor.

1:14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage -- in mortar, in brick, and in all manner of service in the field. All their service in which they made them serve was with rigor.

Every service and ministry to God must be signified by the sacrifice of Christ or Jesus' blood. We have to sacrifice all things but the true teaching Word.

The brick is used to build the tower of Babylon. Consequently, such life is scattered, in chaos and total failure soon or later for sure.

We have to become **living stones** in order not to become in chaos.

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.

The living stones are made of clay, referring to natural human, that is burnt by the fire of God, namely the fire of the true teaching Word, the anointing of Holy Spirit, and God's love. We become the priests and kings God employs to minister in the building of Christ's body.

Do not be afraid! "Living stones" means we will always live in the mercy of God if we are employed in the ministry of building Christ's body. We only live by the mercy of God whoever and wherever we are.

Ephesians 2:21

2:21 in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,

The spiritual temple of God or the body of Christ is neatly build.

Meaning we will have well-arranged life if we become the living stones.

2. Kingdom of Babylon = arrogance.

We must take the lesson from the story about the kings of Babylon or about three kinds of arrogance as follows

- The arrogance of King Nebuchadnezzar who relies on his own power so he does not rely on God anymore.

Daniel 4:25-32, 34

4:25 They shall drive you from men, your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make you eat grass like oxen. They shall wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses.

4:26 And inasmuch as they gave the command to leave the stump and roots of the tree, your kingdom shall be assured to you, after you come to know that Heaven rules.

4:27 Therefore, O king, let my advice be acceptable to you; break off your sins by being righteous, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor. Perhaps there may be a lengthening of your prosperity."

4:28 All this came upon King Nebuchadnezzar.

4:29 At the end of the twelve months he was walking about the royal palace of Babylon.

4:30 The king spoke, saying, "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for a royal dwelling by my mighty power and for the honor of my majesty?"

4:31 While the word was still in the king's mouth, a voice fell from heaven: "King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: the kingdom has departed from you!

4:32 And they shall drive you from men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. They shall make you eat grass like oxen; and seven times shall pass over you, until you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses."

4:34 And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever: For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, And His kingdom is from generation to generation.

Consequently, he is degraded until becomes as beast.

Arrogant person means there is no mind in him but destruction of morality.

- The arrogance of King Belshazzar that despises the vessels of the Lord.

Daniel 5:22-23, 30

5:22 "But you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, although you knew all this.

5:23 "And you have lifted yourself up against the Lord of heaven. They have brought the vessels of His house before you, and you and your lords, your wives and your concubines, have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, bronze and iron, wood and stone, which do not see or hear or know; and the God who holds your breath in His hand and owns all your ways, you have not glorified.

5:30 That very night Belshazzar, king of the Chaldeans, was slain.

Isaiah 52:11

52:11 Depart! Depart! Go out from there, Touch no unclean thing; Go out from the midst of her, Be clean, You who bear the vessels of the LORD.

Meaning as follows.

- a. Ministering to God in the Bride Tiding but without holiness. There is no holiness list as the presence list in church but we have to responsibly keep the holiness of our heart, mouth, hands or deeds, et cetera before God.
The more one has known or understood about the Bride Tiding, the more he is insisted.
- b. Leaving the ministry because of keeping sin or fault.

The facts found in being humble are throwing away sin and keeping on bearing the responsibility to do the ministry.

c. Destroying, referring to underestimating or not appreciating, the physical vessels of the Lord.

- The arrogance of King Darius that he wants to be worshiped, beginning with being praised, honored, appreciated, and superior than other people.

Daniel 6:6-7

6:6 So these governors and satraps thronged before the king, and said thus to him: "King Darius, live forever!

6:7 "All the governors of the kingdom, the administrators and satraps, the counselors and advisors, have consulted together to establish a royal statute and to make a firm decree, that whoever petitions any god or man for thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions.

The best thing we must do now is honoring and esteeming other people, so we can become one in the body of Christ.

3. The city or woman of Babylon, that is the bride of Satan.

Revelation 18:2; 17:5

18:2 And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!

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 woman of Babylon refers to the work of evil and unclean spirit in the air.

Who is conquered by her?

Revelation 17:15

17:15 Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.

The many waters or the Gentiles, peoples, multitudes, nations, and tribes in the world.

She dominates or rules over the Gentiles and wants to drag them to return to the days of Noah, namely the peak of sin or the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage, including free sex, sexual deviation and false marriage.

Consequently, men in the days of Noah are judged with the flood and those in the days of Lot with the fire and brimstone of heaven.

Men who live in sins on the last days will also get the judgment.

II Peter 3:10

3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

The judgment will come for sure. The fire of heaven will destroy the world and its contents and then human will enter into the sea of fire and brimstone in hell forever.

Here is the solution so that the woman of Babylon cannot sit on the Gentiles.

John 2:6-7

2:6 Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece.

2:7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim.

The many waters must be filled into the waterpots. Meaning **we must enter the shepherding**.

There are only six waterpots filled with water from among the many waters. It means as follows.

- Every human must be shepherded in order not to be wild but quiet.
The flesh tends to be free but the shepherding is able to limit it. Not being shepherded, the flesh is free, wild, and conquered by the woman of Babylon.

Do not play with the flesh! The flesh that wants to be free will falls in sins and the peak for sure.

- Only few of the Gentiles who get the mercy and electing of God to enter the shepherding.
The requirement of being shepherded is as follows.
 - a. Entering the sheepfold or having perseverance in doing three main services to God, seeing that there are three objects in the Holy Place of Tabernacle
Meaning the perseverance in doing General Service, Bible Study Service with Holy Communion, and Prayer Service.
 - b. Hearing and obeying the Shepherding Word or the voice of the shepherd.
Do not hear strange voice, namely the voice of flesh and gossips none may take the responsibility of the truth.

As a result, **miracle happens** in the waterpots.

The miracle of water that turns to wine would have not happened if the water had not been filled in the waterpots.

It is especially means spiritual miracle.

The water turns to sweet wine that other people can taste, referring to life renewal.

It begins from sweet saying as follows.

- Confessing sin, not blaming other people.
- Righteous and good saying to become blessing for other people.
- Bearing witness and worshipping God or crying the name of Jesus.

Song of Solomon 7:9

7:9 And the roof of your mouth like the best wine. THE SHULAMITE The wine goes down smoothly for my beloved, Moving gently the lips of sleepers.

Sweet saying moves gently the lips of sleepers, namely Jesus who is sleeping at the stern of a ship which is hit by the wave and almost sinks.

The ship refers to our life, marriage, ministry, church, or fellowship.

The ship is hit by the wave means bitterness in life and there is no sweetness at all but total failure, sorrows, and tears.

Jesus is sleeping to wait for "the sweet saying" of our mouth, beginning with the confession of our sins, worship to God and the crying of the name of Jesus.

Mark 4:38-39

4:38 But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?"

4:39 Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.

As a result, Jesus will resurrect to make the sea calm.

Remember, it begins from the pastor who must say sweet words first when the ship of the shepherding is hit by the wave, and then the whole congregation, referring to the content of the waterpot can also be sweet.

If we have been peaceful or calm, all things will become beautiful in its time and our ship can continue sailing to the harbor of peace, namely the eternal heavenly kingdom.

God blesses you.