General Service in Malang, April 02, 2023 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 19:6-10 is about the marriage supper of the Lamb.

It refers to the second coming of Jesus in the glory as the King of all kings and the Heavenly Bridegroom for bringing us to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb [Revelation 19], the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace [Revelation 20], and the New Jerusalem [Revelation 21-22].

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."

These are the true sayings of God. It means that it must happen and nothing may cancel it.

God offers the heavenly joy. It means as follows:

- 1. The true joy which cannot be influenced by the worldly things.
- 2. The joy in the marriage and household until reaching the spiritual or perfect marriage.
- 3. The eternal joy in the New Jerusalem.

How can God give us the heavenly joy or we receive the heavenly joy?

- 1. Through the invitation of God.
 - Matthew 25:6

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

There are two kinds of the preaching of the Word as follows:

• <u>The Gospel Word</u>or Good News that preaches Jesus' first coming to die on the cross for calling the sinful people to be saved.

The process is as follows:

- a. Having faith or believing Jesus as the only Savior.
- b. Repenting or stopping sinning to return to God or being dead to sin.
 - Colossians 2:11-12

2:11 In Him you were also circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ,

2:12 buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead.

c. The true water baptism means that one who has believed Jesus and repented or died to sin must be buried in water together with Jesus and raised with Him, so the heavens are opened or we get the new life in the anointing or fullness of Holy Spirit. We promise to God for throwing away our sins. We also promise to ourselves not to commit sins anymore. We can live in righteousness. We are saved and blessed by God.

 <u>The teaching Word</u>that is sharper than any two-edged sword or the Bride Tidings preaches Jesus' second coming in the glory as the King of all kings on the glorious clouds for choosing the people who have been saved and blessed to be sanctified continually until being as perfect as Jesus is to become the heavenly bride who is ready for welcoming Jesus' second coming.

2. Through worship prayer.

Matthew 6:9-10

6:9 "In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.6:10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

Worship prayer is the process to move the atmosphere of heavenly kingdom to the cursed and destroyed world.

Matthew 17:4

17:4 Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

In the worship prayer on the mountain, Peter got the heavenly joy.

Therefore, we must enjoy worshiping God through one hour prayer, fasting prayer, all night-long prayer, our private prayer or the prayer in the marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding until the one perfect body of Christ is formed.

Matthew 6:11-13

6:11 Give us this day our daily bread.

6:12 And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

6:13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

There are three kinds of heavenly joy which we can get in the world up to the heaven through the worship prayer as follows:

1. The heavenly joy because of the spiritual food or the revelation of the Word.

We must pray and worship God much more to get the revelation of the Word.

If there is no revelation of the Word, there will be no joy like a man who cannot eat anything. He only suffers and faces dead end until not being able to reach the heavenly kingdom.

Genesis 2:16

2:16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat;

In garden Eden or paradise, there is spiritual food, namely all fruits which can be eaten freely. It means consuming the Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit or hearing and obeying the Word we can consume through the perseverance in committing the three main services to God as follows:

• General Service(the Golden Candlestick).

Psalm 119:105

119:105 NUN. Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

The Word becomes the lamp so that we do not stumble in sins up to the peak. We can live in righteousness and joy. The Word becomes the light to give us direction so that we do not go astray, but we can go to the heavenly kingdom.

Without the revelation of the Word, one will stumble in sins and go astray because of gossip and false teachings until perishing for sure.

• Bible Study Service with Holy Communion(the Table of Showbread).

The Word in the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion gives us deeper and clearer understanding and knowledge about Jesus Himself, so we can know Him who is righteous, holy, and perfect.

We can also know our life clearly with all of our weaknesses, so we can always humble our life or not be arrogant. We can confess our sin to God and other people. We do not accuse other people and God.

We can also know Satan with his tricks, so we are not deceived like Eve in garden Eden. We do not need to learn the depth of Satan and the hell because every teaching has its own spirit.

Psalm 119:15

119:15 I will meditate on Your precepts, And contemplate Your ways.

Psalm 119:11

119:11 Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You!

We can meditate or understand the revelation of the Word. We can believe the Word to become firm faith in our heart, so it becomes strong brake so that we do not repeat the sins which have been forgiven, but we keep on living in righteousness. We do not commit sin anymore, but live in holiness.

• Prayer Service(the Golden Candlestick).

The Word is ingrained in our whole life to grow our spirituality up to the spiritual maturity and we are worthy to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb.

The results of consuming the Word in the three kinds of main services to God in the shepherding are as follows:

• God guarantees the daily bread.

Matthew 6:11

6:11 Give us this day our daily bread.

Proverbs 30:8-9

30:8 Remove falsehood and lies far from me; Give me neither poverty nor riches--Feed me with the food allotted to me;

30:9 Lest I be full and deny You, And say, "Who is the LORD?" Or lest I be poor and steal, And profane the name of my God.

We always give thanks to God. We do not lack of anything, so we never beg or steal. We do not make God ashamed, but glorify Him.

We live not by our salary, congregation, and so on, but by the revelation of the Word which we can enjoy through the perseverance in committing the three main services to God.

• We get the heavenly joy.

Revelation 1:3

1:3 Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

Every activity in the service and ministry to God must be signified by hearing and obeying the Word.

2. The joy without any sin.

Matthew 6:12

6:12 And forgive us our debts, As we forgive our debtors.

Romans 3:23-25

3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

3:24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 3:25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed,

In fact, all men have sinned and lost the joy of heaven. They only have the curses, weariness, heavy burden, and toil up to the perdition.

The way out is that Jesus must descend to the world as the only sinless Man, but He must die on the cross to reconcile all sins of men.

Therefore, let us nowadays use the time not for adding sins, but making reconciliation through confessing and forgiving sin one another. As a result, the blood of Jesus reconciles us from all our sins.

Mark 9:47-50

9:47 "And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire--

9:48 "where 'Their worm does not die, And the fire is not quenched.'

9:49 "For everyone will be seasoned with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt.

9:50 "Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? <u>Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one</u> another."

We become the salty salt. The heart is peaceful and in the anointing of Holy Spirit. The salt also prevents the rottenness, so the virus of sin or the self-truth, the bacteria of sin or sins, and the worms of sins or the peak of sins cannot enter.

We are used to be the witness of God.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

5:7 Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.

5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

We can live in the truth or we do not commit sin. We can live in sincerity or we hold fast the true teachings. As a result, we get the atmosphere of feast, the heavenly joy, or the joy of Holy Spirit.

Romans 14:17-18

14:17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. 14:18 For he who serves Christ in these things is acceptable to God and approved by men.

Our service and ministry to God can be well-pleasing toward Him.

3. The joy in the worship prayer.

Matthew 6:13

6:13 And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The worship prayer is the way from God to set us free from temptation or the evil one.

James 1:13-15

1:13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.

1:14 But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.

1:15 Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

The temptation comes from the fleshly lust that resists against the will of God.

It has the power to entice until we become doubtful to the will of God as well as the power to drag us out of the will of God until we fall in temptation and sin and bring forth death.

Worship prayer is the process to tear the flesh with all of its lusts until we can receive and obey the will of God until the flesh does not speak anymore.

Philippians 2:8-10

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.

2:9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

2:10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

As a result, we are entrusted with the name of Jesus. We can cry out the powerful name of Jesus, so we can defeat the trinity of Satan.

- Satan, the source of sins, is defeated, so we can live in righteousness.
- Satan, the source of problems, is defeated, so all impossible problems are solved by God.
- Satan, the source of failure, is defeated, so all things become beautiful and successful in time of need.

Revelation 14:1

14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.

Revelation 9:3-4

9:3 Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

9:4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.

The name of Jesus is sealed on the forehead. It means that God always remembers us, pays attention to us, cares, and struggles for us to protect and preserve us in the midst of the difficulties in the world.

Isaiah 4:1

4:1 And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, "We will eat our own food and wear our own apparel; Only let us be called by your name, To take away our reproach."

The name of Jesus is attached to our name. We become the bride of God. We are sanctified from sins up to the peak and changed until there is no worry or fear. We believe and hope fully to God as well as cry out and fully surrender to Him.

It continues until we are changed to be as perfect as Jesus is for welcoming His second coming.

God blesses you.