

General Service in Malang, August 22, 2021 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 14 refers to the seven sprinklings of blood in front of the Ark of Covenant. It refers to the suffering of the church of God with Jesus. It is the last purification up to the perfection.

Revelation 14:1-5, is about the church of God's following Jesus as the Lamb of God.

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.

The term 'sprinkling of blood' and 'following' means that the church of God's following Jesus is signified by the sprinkling of blood, so we experience the increase of purification up to perfection, and we reach Mount Zion.

Jesus as the Lamb of God can stand on Mount Zion by passing through three mountains. **So, we must pass through the three mountains to increase up to Mount Zion as follows:**

1. **Mount Moriah.**

Genesis 22:2,11-14

22:2. Then He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

22:11. But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" So he said, "Here I am."

22:12. And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

22:13. Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son.

22:14. And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of The LORD it shall be provided."

Abraham sacrificed Isaac on the Mount Moriah according to the commandment of God, but He replaced with an animal for a burnt offering.

It is the shadow of Christ's sacrifice as the Lamb of God or the redemption offering.

Further, Solomon's temple of God was built on Mount Moriah. It is the image of the building of the perfect body of Christ.

What is redeemed by the sacrifice of the lamb? The disobedience of Abraham is.

In garden Eden, Adam and Eve became disobedient, and God slaughtered an animal, but the type of the animal was not clearly stated.

The disobedience of Abraham was that he took Hagar according to the commandment of Sara, his wife, so he got a son who was not in line with God, namely Ishmael.

Abraham was not punished because of the redemption by the lamb sacrifice. He was not cursed, and Isaac was not sacrificed.

Abraham had the fear of God, namely becoming obedient and willingly sacrificing all things that God asked.

In the past, God had told Abraham to be patient, but he was not patient, so he took Hagar to get a son.

If we reject what God asks from us, He will ask the bigger thing from us.

Abraham could negotiate with God to replace Isaac, but he obeyed Him. He did not reject what God asked.

As a result, he was blessed abundantly, and God multiplied his descendants.

Genesis 22:17-18

22:17. "blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.

22:18. "In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

The descendants of Abraham are like the stars of the heaven. It refers to one who is used to glorify the name of God, one who is blessed up to his descendants and becoming blessing to the others, or one who wins over enemies until he inherits Canaan or the promised land.

Whatever God asks from us, He will not lie. He will bless and use us, so we win until we inherit Canaan.

Philippians 2:15-16

2:15. that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

2:16. holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.

Do not depend on physical blessing after being blessed! We must keep holding fast the true teaching Word and obeying God.

If we hold the physical blessing until we become disobedient, we will be like a third of the stars of heaven which are drawn by the serpent and thrown to the earth, so we become the same as the sand which is on the seashore.

Genesis 16:11-12

16:11. And the Angel of the LORD said to her: "Behold, you are with child, And you shall bear a son. You shall call his name Ishmael, Because the LORD has heard your affliction.

16:12. He shall be a wild man; His hand shall be against every man, And every man's hand against him. And he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren."

The descendants of Abraham who are like the sand on the seashore are the same as Ishmael, namely living in paganism. His attitude is like wild donkey. It means sinning up to the peak, and he will be trampled by the Antichrist.

Revelation 12:17-18

12:17. And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

12:18. Then I stood on the sand of the sea.

[New International Version]

And the dragon stood on the shore of the sea.

Those who are left in the age of the Antichrist will be tormented.

If they cannot endure but depending on the physical blessing, they will worship the Antichrist who will be destroyed forever.

2. Mount Golgotha.

John 1:29

1:29. The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

Jesus as an innocent Man must die to become obedient to the point of death on the cross. He becomes the redemption sacrifice for the Israelites who become disobedient and violate the Law.

Surrender what God asks from us especially sin! Jesus as the Lamb of God is the fulfillment of Isaac who has been replaced by the lamb.

John 19:31-34

19:31. Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

19:32. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him.

19:33. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

19:34. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

The provision of the Sabbath is that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath. That is why the soldiers came and broke the legs of those who were crucified, so they died quickly.

But Jesus was already died with four major injuries, namely two in the hands and two in the feet to redeem and save the Israelites, so one of the soldiers pierced His side. It is the biggest and deepest wound to redeem the Gentiles.

The church of God must also ascend to Mount Golgotha.

The fact found in it is that we must receive the blood and water signs from Jesus' side.

The blood sign refers to believing in Jesus as the only Redeemer, and repenting.

The water sign refers to the true water baptism, namely 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 to receive new life, namely life in righteousness (being set free from sin) and being obedient, until we willingly sacrifice anything for God.

We sacrifice all physical things including dignity, because God has sacrificed all things even His life and heaven to redeem us. Jesus sacrifices His dignity to be baptized by John the Baptist.

We obey and willingly sacrifice all things for God, so we, the Gentiles can become the descendants of Abraham spiritually, and we live by faith.

Galatians 3:7

3:7. Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham.

As a result, we are not punished but being saved and blessed abundantly, even becoming the stars or the armor of righteousness, namely the priests and kings who are used to glorify God's name. We will also be glorified from now on up to the eternity on Mount Zion.

John 1:35-38

1:35. Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples.

1:36. And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!"

1:37. The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.

1:38. Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?"

We follow Jesus as the Lamb of God who has risen.

The facts found in it are as follows:

- We follow Jesus as the Chief Shepherd, namely we become a shepherded life.
We are always in the sheepfold, namely perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God.
All of us, starting from a shepherd, must be shepherded.
- We follow Jesus as the Teacher that is linked to His dwelling. It is the same as receiving the Tabernacle teaching Word or the Bride Tidings.
We hear and obey it.

We become the same as a donkey that is bound to the true vine.

Do not become the wild donkey and the onager!

The wild donkey means becoming disobedient.

The onager means living in sins up to the peak, namely the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-giving in marriage.

The wild donkey and the onager will become the descendants of Abraham who are like the sand which is on the seashore, and they will be trampled by the Antichrist.

If we are shepherded and obedient to the true teaching Word until we sacrifice all things, we will become a branch that is purified continuously. We can become a donkey which is ridden by God. It means that we are used in the revival of the building of the perfect body of Christ, starting from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the perfect body of Christ. In the holiness, we can minister one another as one body of Christ.

As long as we receive the purification, we still get the opportunity, so we are not cut from the body of Christ. If we are purified, we will bear sweet fruits sooner or later. In the shepherding, we can confess: "*I shall not want.*" It means that we are taken care of physically and spiritually up to perfection.

3. Mount Zion.

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.

Jesus is in the glory as the Head. He is followed by one hundred and forty-four thousand men from twelve tribes of the Israelites, twelve thousand in a tribe. They are the core of the perfect bride, and the Gentiles complete it.

We have not been perfected yet, but we are on our way to perfection.

We receive the name of the Heavenly Bridegroom. It is the proof of ownership like a wife belongs to her husband, and vice versa.

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,

Jesus receives the name which is above every name because He becomes obedient to the point of death. As for us, we must become obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore (the veil is torn), so we can receive the name of Jesus.

The process of receiving the name of Jesus is as follows:

- The name of Jesus is entrusted to us. It means that we can call on His name, so we receive the winning power over the trinity of Satan.
The trinity of Satan is the source of sins up to the peak, problems, impossibilities, disease, tears, weariness, heavy burden, and toil.
We win over Satan, so we experience peace. All things become easy and light.

- The name of Jesus is marked on our forehead. It means that God protects and takes care of us in the midst of increasing difficulties in the world.

Revelation 9:4-5

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.

9:5. And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man.

Five months refer to the time of the flood on the earth, namely increasing crisis up to impossibilities.

God is able to take care of us in the midst of crisis; even we are protected from the Antichrist until we are out of the world.

- We are called by the name of Jesus. We receive the new name. It refers to the power of renewal. It is the biggest miracle, starting from the tongue.
Do not gossip or slander anymore!
We use our tongue to glorify and worship God.
The thing in the heart will overflow to the mouth.
If our heart believes in God and we do not worry anymore, our mouth will glorify and worship God. When we experience a great temptation, we can strengthen ourselves in the LORD. God is able to change the impossible thing to become possible until we are perfected. We enter Mount Zion and the New Jerusalem forever.

God blesses us.