

# General Service in Malang, August 25, 2024 (Sunday Morning)

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

## **Revelation22:2**

*22:2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.*

The tree of life that always yields fruits refers to the Word of God which is able to grow our spirituality until producing the fruit of eternal life.

## **John8:51**

*8:51 "Most assuredly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word he shall never see death."*

The requirement is that we must eat the fruit of the tree of life. It means hearing and obeying the Word until we do not experience the death, but the eternal life.

## **Genesis3:6-7**

*3:6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.*

*3:7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.*

Adam and Eve were not obedient by eating the forbidden fruit because of being influenced by the serpent. They committed sin and got naked, and then they tried to cover their nakedness by making the coverings from fig leaves.

## **Isaiah64:6**

*64:6 But we are all like an unclean thing, And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; We all fade as a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, Have taken us away.*

It is the same as the self-truth, namely covering sins by blaming at others and God or the Word.

Consequently, they were driven out of Eden and then all nations in the world have sinned and gotten the curse of sins up to the perdition.

The leaves of the tree of life are used for healing the nations.

The leaves of the tree of life refer to the Word of God that is ingrained or the sacrifice of Christ on the cross for healing the nations. It refers to the truth from God for justifying the sinful men.

## **Psalms107:17-20**

*107:17 Fools, because of their transgression, And because of their iniquities, were afflicted.*

*107:18 Their soul abhorred all manner of food, And they drew near to the gates of death.*

*107:19 Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He saved them out of their distresses.*

*107:20 He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.*

The sickness of the nations refers to the sinful life or characteristics. In such condition, one will get bored or loathe the solid food or the teaching Word which sanctifies for sure. The consequences are as follows:

1. Never being satisfied in all things.
2. [verse 19] Getting deep distress, difficulties, sorrow. and worry.
3. Experiencing the curse in marriage and children.

## **Genesis3:16**

*3:16 To the woman He said: "I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, And he shall rule over you."*

It continues until entering the wrong marriage in the stife, sexual affairs, mix marriage, divorce-remarrying, and marrying-being given in marriage.

4. The ground is cursed, namely the difficulties for eating and drinking.

**Genesis3:17**

*3:17 Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': "Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it All the days of your life.*

It also means falling in sins concerning eating-drinking.

If it continues, one will draw near to the gates of death [Psalm 107:18] to perish forever.

**1 Timothy4:1-5**

*4:1 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons,*

*4:2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,*

*4:3 forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.*

*4:4 For every creature of God is good, and nothing is to be refused if it is received with thanksgiving;*

*4:5 for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.*

On the last days, Holy Spirit expressly says that what has happened to Adam and Eve until being cast into the world will happen to the nations until there is falling as follows.

- Men loathe and leave the true teachings and turn into the false teachings and gossip until departing from faith.
- Forbidding men to get married righteously and legally.
- Forbidding men to eat the food which God has created that must be received with thanksgiving until there is falling in sins concerning eating-drinking, namely smoking, getting drunk, drugs abuse.

Consequently, they get the curse up to the gate of death or everlasting perdition.

**Psalm107:20**

*107:20 He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.*

**Therefore, in this emergency time, we need the following two things:**

**1. The preaching of the true teaching Word.**

[1 Timothy 4:1] In the anointing of Holy Spirit, we hold fast and obey the true teaching Word that is powerful for healing and setting us free from the destructions. It means as follows

- Moving us from the gate of death to the gate of heavenly kingdom.

**Genesis28:17**

*28:17 And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven!"*

It is the same as prioritizing the service and ministry to God.

- Entering the marriage, we must cry out to God to ask the true teaching Word so that our marriage is in line to the true teachings and we do not fall in adultery as well as we are far away from all curses of marriage and children.
- Eating, we must give thanks and the food must be sanctified by the Word and prayer. We are set free from poison and the curse of the ground.

**2. The leaves of the tree of life refer to the sacrifice of Christ on the cross for healing the nations, namely the curses of sins.**

**Galatians3:13-14**

*3:13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us(for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"),*

*3:14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.*

Jesus, the sinless man, must be dead in curse on the cross for bearing all curses because of sin and setting us free from the curses of sins, so the blessings of Abraham can come to the Gentiles as follows.

- The physical blessings up to the descendants until being blessings for other people.
- The spiritual blessing, namely Holy Spirit.

**Acts10:44-45**

*10:44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word.*

*10:45 And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.*

Actually, it is only for the house of Israel [Acts 2], but the Gentiles can also receive Holy Spirit because of the mercy of God through the sacrifice of Christ.

**The functions of Holy Spirit** are as follows.

**Romans15:16**

*15:16 that I might be a minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.*

Holy Spirit is able to burn the Gentiles with the characteristics of dog and swine to become holy and fragrant before God. We are equipped with the ministry and gifts of Holy Spirit and used in the edification of Christ's body. It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, and so on.

**Romans12:11**

*12:11 not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;*

Holy Spirit is able to make us faithful and fervent in spirit in the service and ministry to God until the end line.

We live in holiness, faithfulness, and fervency in spirit and become the apple of God's eye. We are protected and preserved directly in the midst of difficulties or impossibilities in the world. A grain of sand cannot enter. Nothing in the world can hurt us. We keep faithful.

**Judges14:5-6**

*14:5 So Samson went down to Timnah with his father and mother, and came to the vineyards of Timnah. Now to his surprise, a young lion came roaring against him.*

*14:6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he tore the lion apart as one would have torn apart a young goat, though he had nothing in his hand. But he did not tell his father or his mother what he had done.*

Holy Spirit makes the great or impossible threat or problems become nothing. All impossible problems are solved. We have the beautiful successful future life.

God blesses you.