

General Service in Malang, February 23, 2020 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 11:1

11:1 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there."

The measuring rod refers to the rod of the shepherd, the shepherding word, or the true teaching word which is entrusted by God to a pastor to be preached to the congregation faithfully, sequentially, continually, and repetitively, so it becomes food for them to make them mature. It also becomes a commanding rod which rules the things which they can and cannot do and measures the two things as follows:

1. The temple of God. It refers to our life and fellowship.
2. The altar and those who worship there. It refers to the Golden Altar of Incense.

The measurement of the worship prayer which is measured by the shepherding word is the obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore or the Veil is torn. We reach the perfection.

John 14:15

14:15 "If you love Me, keep My commandments."

It means keeping all the commandments of God, the perfect love, or the two tablets of stone.

The two tablets of stones consist of the two parts as follows:

1. The first tablet of stone consists of the four laws to love God more than anything in the world.
2. The second tablet of stone consists of the six laws to love other people as ourselves until we can love the enemy.

Luke 10:25-28

10:25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

10:26 He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?"

10:27 So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'"

10:28 And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live."

Jesus is the answer or a certain and the only way to enter the eternal heavenly kingdom, namely through receiving the perfect love or the two tablets of stone and doing it.

Lukas 10:29

10:29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

While Jesus gives the way or a certain answer to enter the kingdom of heaven through receiving the perfect love or the two tablets of stone and doing it, there are hindrances, namely the hard stone or the hard heart as follows:

1. The self-truth. It refers to the truth outside the word of God which makes men cover sins by blaming at other people and God or the true teaching.
2. The self-interest or the egoism.
3. The self-desire which makes men disobey and resist against God.

The daily facts found in the servant and the minister of God who are hard-hearted are as follows:

1. Going down from Jerusalem or the center of the spiritual activities to Jericho or the center of the physical activities.

Lukas 10:30

10:30 Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead."

It means that they leave the service and ministry only to look for the physical things. They leave the true service and ministry and choose the false ones that look for the physical blessings.

Isaiah 22:15-19

22:15 Thus says the Lord GOD of hosts: "Go, proceed to this steward, To Shebna, who is over the house, and say:
 22:16 'What have you here, and whom have you here, That you have hewn a sepulcher here, As he who hews himself a sepulcher on high, Who carves a tomb for himself in a rock?
 22:17 Indeed, the LORD will throw you away violently, O mighty man, And will surely seize you.
 22:18 He will surely turn violently and toss you like a ball Into a large country; There you shall die, and there your glorious chariots Shall be the shame of your master's house.
 22:19 So I will drive you out of your office, And from your position he will pull you down.

They are like Shebna who left the heavenly house and went to the tomb. He lost the ministry or the beautiful tunic. He was not in the hand of God anymore, but in the hand of Satan.
 The consequences are as follows [Luke 10:30]:

- He was beaten by Satan. It means that he did the sins up to the peak or the sins of eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage. The strong beating of Satan destroys the marriage and children through the darkness of the basket (economy or the sins of eating-drinking) and the darkness of bed (the sins of marrying-being given in marriage).
 It refers to the lamp which goes out because it is not put on the lampstand. It means that the structure of the marriage is wrong.
 The husband does not become the head of the wife. He does not love his wife as himself, but becomes rude, irresponsible, and or not in line with the word of God. .
 The wife wants to be the head. She is not submissive to her husband; Even she commands him.
 The children do not obey their parents.
- He was robbed totally. It means that he lost the righteousness, holiness, and the ministry or the beautiful tunic, so he was naked. All things were useless and he was ashamed.
- He was left half dead. It means that he was in weariness, heavy burden, tears, and the atmosphere of curse. His spirituality was dry, so he was never satisfied or joyful until he got the lamentation and the gnashing of teeth or perished forever.

2. Serving and ministering to God without the love to the other people.

Luke 10:31-32

10:31 "Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.
 10:32 "Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side.

It means being without the love of God [1 John 4:20] or the two tablets of stone.

1 John 3:13-14

3:13 Do not marvel, my brethren, if the world hates you.
 3:14 We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death.

The service and ministry without the love is the dead ones as follows:

- Serving and ministering to God with the hatred without any causes, hurting, and not willingly sacrificing. Moreover, one sacrifices other people for his self-interest.
- Not being willing to help other people who are in need or being egoistic.
- Not being watchful in the service and ministry to God or having no worship prayer.

Revelation 3:1-3

3:1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write, 'These things says He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.
 3:2 "Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found your works perfect before God.
 3:3 "Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.

It means that there are no anointing, love, and the spiritual value.
 The ministry must be accompanied with the worship prayer (being watchful) so that we do not fall in sins. We are neither deceived nor left when Jesus comes for the second time.

Who could help him?

Luke 10:33-34

10:33 "But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion.

10:34 "So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The Samaritan who had compassion could help him.

John 8:48

8:48 Then the Jews answered and said to Him, "Do we not say rightly that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

He refers to Jesus who was an Israelite but He willingly be considered as a Gentile and died on the cross to save the Gentiles.

The ways of Jesus to help men are as follows:[Luke 10:34]

1. He poured the wounds with wine and oil and bandaged them.

The wine refers to the blood of Jesus.

The oil refers to the anointing of Holy Spirit.

Bandaging the wounds means that He covers or forgives our sins up to the peak by His blood.

As for us, by the encouragement of the sword of the word, we can realize, regret, and confess our sins to God and other people. After being forgiven, we do not do the sins anymore, so the blood of Jesus covers our sins until they have no remnant anymore. We live in the righteousness and get the anointing of Holy Spirit. We are recovered and saved. We are also set free from the hands of Satan and return to the hand of God. It means that we go out from the tomb and return to the heavenly house.

2. He set him on the donkey, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The inn refers to the place to care our body, soul, and spirit, namely the shepherding pen, the Holy Place, or the perseverance in doing the three main services to God as follows:

- The Golden Candlestick refers to perseverance in doing the General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the anointing and gifts of Holy Spirit. We are given drink so that we are fresh.
- The Table of Showbread refers to perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service and Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the true teaching word and sacrifice of Christ. We are fed so that we are strong and grow to the spiritual maturity.
- The Golden Altar of Incense refers to perseverance in doing the Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in His love. We breathe with His love up to the eternal life.

In the shepherding pen, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the trinity of God, so the trinity of Satan cannot touch us. We cannot be made fall and robbed. So, we are peaceful and easy and light. We are sanctified intensively until there is no lie anymore.

Mathew 26:23-25

26:23 He answered and said, "He who dipped his hand with Me in the dish will betray Me.

26:24 "The Son of Man indeed goes just as it is written of Him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been good for that man if he had not been born."

26:25 Then Judas, who was betraying Him, answered and said, "Rabbi, is it I?" He said to him, "You have said it."

After being sanctified, we are given the ministry.

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 are used in the edification of the body of Christ or the revival of Holy Spirit at the later rain. It starts from the marriage or the household, shepherding, and inter-shepherding, like a colt which was sat on by Jesus. Serving and ministering in the edification of His body is the same as working in the vineyard to get a denarius.

Luke 10:35

10:35 "On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.

The two denarii means that the husband and wife must be in one shepherding, ministry, and heart, so each of them gets a denarius.

Revelation 6:6

6:6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine.

A denarius is useful to pass through the famine which will happen. It means that the mercy of God is able to preserve our life, starting from the present life, future, until the age when the Antichrist rules over the world for three and a half years.

3. If the two denarii were not enough, He would repay when He came again

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Although men have been anointed and shepherded, they are still weak physically and spiritually. Do not be disappointed and hopeless. Do not leave God, and do not enjoy in the weaknesses, but we must bring the weaknesses to the cross of the Lord with a broken heart. The cross is the place to confess all of our weaknesses and to struggle. He will perform miracle in our midst until we are perfect when Jesus comes for the second time.

God blesses you.