

General Service in Malang, February 27, 2022 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 15:1-4

15:1. Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous: seven angels having the seven last plagues, for in them the wrath of God is complete.

15:2 And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God.

15:3 They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!"

15:4 Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested."

The title is Prelude to the Bowl Judgments.

There are two things which are received by the victorious people as follows:

1. Verse 1 = being set free from the last wrath of God.
2. Verse 2-4 = standing on the sea of glass mingled with fire before the heavenly throne with the harp and singing the song of victory.

The sea of glass mingled with fire refers to the increase and peak of the Brazen Laver or the true water baptism.

How could the Brazen Laver be formed?

Exodus 38:8

38:8. He made the laver of bronze and its base of bronze, from the bronze mirrors of the serving women who assembled at the door of the tabernacle of meeting.

It was made of the bronze mirrors of the serving women who assembled at the door of the tabernacle of meeting.

The two meanings of woman are as follows:

1. The Church of God.
2. Negatively, the woman refers to the fleshly lusts which cause the sins.

Thus, the bronze mirrors of the women refer to the tools for fertilizing the fleshly lusts which cause men to commit sins up to the peak.

For making the Brazen Laver, the bronze mirrors of the women were destroyed for being formed as the Brazen Laver.

Thus, the water baptism refers to the process for destroying the flesh with all of its wills and lusts, so we are formed as a useful tool for the glory of God, namely as priests and kings.

Thus, the victorious people who stand on the sea of glass mingled with fire are the priests who are victorious over their own flesh. Fulfilling the flesh, we will not be useful, but keep on being the mirror, not the Brazen Laver.

What kind of flesh which must be destroyed? Egoism must be destroyed.

Genesis 2:18

2:18. And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

'It is not good that man should be alone' = It does not mean that all men must get married because getting married is the call of God. Some men are called to get married, but the others are not.

Thus, being alone means egoism.

There must be no egoism in the marriage and household. We must be in the fellowship or the harmonious unity, namely being comparable.

The proofs of being comparable in the marriage are as follows:

1. The blessings or permission:
 - By the parents of the man and woman. The widow or widower because the husband or wife has been dead must get

the permission from the children of both sides. Being permitted, they can get the relationship, engagement, and the holy marriage.

- By the government.
- Being affirmed and blessed by God through a pastor. The requirement is righteousness and holiness.

2. There must be the seven unities.

Ephesians 4: 3-6

4:3. *endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.*

4:4 *There is one body⁽¹⁾ and one Spirit⁽²⁾, just as you were called in one hope⁽³⁾ of your calling;*

4:5 *one Lord⁽⁴⁾, one faith⁽⁵⁾, one baptism⁽⁶⁾;*

4:6 *one God and Father⁽⁷⁾ of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*

One body = one Head = one true teaching Word.

One God and Father = the base of marriage, namely love.

Having the seven unities, the marriage will reach the perfection.

3. There is right structure in the marriage.

Ephesians 5:22-27

5:22. *Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord.*

5:23 *For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.*

5:24 *Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything.*

5:25 *Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,*

5:26 *that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word,*

5:27 *that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.*

If the marriage is based on the Word and God's love, there will be the following things:

- The wife can submit to the husband. She can be the ribs for protecting the weak parts of the body through the worship prayer and Jesus is there to save the marriage. The riddle of Samson can be answered, namely the marriage becomes sweet like honey.
The wife must submit to the husband until giving her soul.
- The husband loves his wife like his own body or does not do bitterly towards her until willingly sacrificing his soul. Therefore, the husband appears as the head over the wife and children and God will appear as the Head. The husband is responsible for the physical and spiritual flow. The riddle of Samson is answered. It means that the marriage has the lion of Judah, namely Jesus who can protect and warm the marriage as well as sanctify from the wounds of sins up to the perfection

Hosea 5:13-14

5:13. *"When Ephraim saw his sickness, And Judah saw his wound, Then Ephraim went to Assyria And sent to King Jareb; Yet he cannot cure you, Nor heal you of your wound.*

5:14 *For I will be like a lion to Ephraim, And like a young lion to the house of Judah. I, even I, will tear them and go away; I will take them away, and no one shall rescue.*

- The children can obey the parents, so the marriage becomes beautiful.

Ephesians 6:1-3

6:1. *Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.*

6:2 *"Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise:*

6:3 *"that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth."*

Thus, the marriage which is sanctified and renewed more will be sweeter and more joyful and beautiful until having the garments of the bride for entering the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Revelation 19:6-9

19:6. *And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!*

19:7 *"Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself*

ready."

19:8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

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."

Afterwards, we enter the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace or the future Paradise, the marriage in the atmosphere of feast, and the everlasting New Jerusalem.

'Blessed are those who are called' = all have been invited and picked up. The important thing is the willingness.

Unfortunately, many rejected it, so God was angry.

Matthew 22:5-7

22:5. "But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business.

22:6 "And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them.

22:7 "But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.

Luke 14:18-21

14:18. "But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.'

14:19 "And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.'

14:20 "Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'

14:21 "So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.'

Why did they reject the invitation of God? It was because of the fleshly interests which were not logical.

Egoism refers to being neither sanctified nor changed yet, so one cannot enter the harmonious fellowship in the marriage as well as the marriage supper of the Lamb, One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace or the future Paradise, and the New Jerusalem. His life is full of riddles which cannot be solved. There is no assurance, but destruction and everlasting perdition.

Thus, ones who can stand on the sea of glass mingled with fire are those who have been sanctified and changed from egoism, so they are always anointed by Holy Spirit. We are in the unity and peace. All things become easy and light.

Not entering the true marriage and fellowship, one will enter the fellowship of Babylon that is controlled by the spirit of evil, uncleanness, and bitterness, up to the destruction of marriage and morality and the everlasting perdition.

Lot was unable for keeping the unity of his marriage because his wife became the pillar of salt. **Genesis 19:17-20**

19:17. So it came to pass, when they had brought them outside, that he said, "Escape for your life! Do not look behind you nor stay anywhere in the plain. Escape to the mountains, lest you be destroyed."

19:18 Then Lot said to them, "Please, no, my lords!

19:19 "Indeed now, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have increased your mercy which you have shown me by saving my life; but I cannot escape to the mountains, lest some evil overtake me and I die.

19:20 "See now, this city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one; please let me escape there (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live."

Lot and his family went out of Sodom and Gomorrah and had to go to the mountains. It means that our whole family is redeemed by the blood of Jesus for reaching the city on the great high mountain, namely the New Jerusalem.

Nevertheless, Lot confessed that he was unable. We also confess that we are unable. We must be in Zoar first, the smallest and nearest city. It refers to the Altar of Burnt Offerings or the cross of the Lord which is often belittled.

The cross is the place where we can confess and fix our weaknesses, so we can enter the fellowship in light and become the light of God.

Matthew 5:14-16

5:14. "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.

5:15 "Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Our duty is to be the light of the world up to the light of the New Jerusalem forever.

Therefore, we start from being the light in the household. If a person can be the light in the household, the whole family can be saved like Cornelius.

Afterwards, we can be the light in front of all people until becoming the light of the world and entering the city of light, namely the New Jerusalem.

Revelation 15:2

15:2. And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God.

A harp has many strings, but they can unite to form a beautiful or harmonious sound.

Thus, after entering the harmonious fellowship in the marriage, we must enter the harmonious fellowship with others in the shepherding, inter-shepherding, until the Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ.

There are many strings, but they can be harmonious because all of them are arranged by the true teaching Word.

Thus, for entering the fellowship in the marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding, until the Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ, we must place the true teaching Word above all things.

All things may be different except the seven unities above, so Jesus can arrange all things so that all of us do not abolish others, but we can work together for getting the harmonious fellowship of the body of Christ up to the perfection.

Revelation 15:3-4

15:3. They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!

15:4 Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested."

They sang the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb.

Exodus 15:1

15:1. Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the LORD, and spoke, saying: "I will sing to the LORD, For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!

The title is the Song of Moses.

The song of Moses is the victory song when Israelites arrived across the Red Sea.

Revelation 5:6-14

5:6. And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

5:7 Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

5:8 Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

5:9 And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,

5:10 And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

5:11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands,

5:12 saying with a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!"

5:13 And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "Blessing and honor and glory and power Be to Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!"

5:14 Then the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.

The song of the Lamb is the victory song because of the redemption by the Lamb.

Revelation 14:3

14:3. They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.

The song of Moses and the song of the Lamb are the same as the new song with the sign of blood.

Formerly, the blood of the lamb of Passover defeated the hardness of Pharaoh's heart, his army, and his horses.

Revelation 12:10-11

12:10. Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

12:11 "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

The blood of the Lamb which is added with the testimony of Jesus or the steps of following Jesus will defeat Satan, the accuser.

Revelation 15:3

15:3. They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!"

Thus, the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb have the same foundation, namely the sign of blood.

Therefore, we must start the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb from now on in every step of our life, so we can defeat the hardness of Satan that controls the hearts of men.

The proof is repenting or stopping sinning. We return to the first love. We appreciate and exalt the sacrifice of Christ.

Revelation 2:4-5,7

2:4. "Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love.

2:5 "Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place--unless you repent.

2:7 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God."

Not repenting, one cannot be the light.

Repenting is the same as having victory.

Exodus 14:15-16,21

14:15. We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him. And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.

14:16 "But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

14:21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided.

The beginning of the song of Moses was that he lifted up the rod. It means exalting the cross as follows:

1. Repenting. Crying out, and surrendering to God.
2. Being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore or stretching out the hands of faith to God. He will stretch out the hands of Holy Spirit that cannot be limited by anything for opening the way for us.

It means as follows:

- a. Not committing sin anymore until we cannot commit any sin.

1 John 3:9

3:9. Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.

1 John 5:18

5:18. We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.

We cannot be touched by Satan. He can chase us with problems, temptations, diseases, sins, and so on, but he cannot touch and defeat us.

We are victorious by the merciful miraculous hands of God. The impossible problems are finished in time of need.

The important thing is not committing any sin in the time of facing the temptation.

- b. We are used by God. There is successful and beautiful future.
- c. The hands of God sanctify and perfect us when Jesus comes a second time. We enter the marriage supper of the

Lamb, the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace or the future Paradise, and the New Jerusalem. We shout for joy on the sea of glass mingled with fire forever.

God blesses you.