

General Service in Malang, June 04, 2023 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 19:11-16 refers to the second coming of Jesus in the glory as the faithful and true High Priest and King.

Revelation 19:12

19:12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.

Psalm 11:4

11:4 The LORD is in His holy temple, The LORD'S throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men.

The eyes of God are like the flame of fire or in the anointing of Holy Spirit. They behold the priests and kings. It means paying attention seriously for preserving, helping, and doing the things which we cannot do.

1 Corinthians 7:29-32

7:29 But this I say, brethren, the time is short, so that from now on even those who have wives should be as though they had none,

7:30 those who weep as though they did not weep, those who rejoice as though they did not rejoice, those who buy as though they did not possess,

7:31 and those who use this world as not misusing it. For the form of this world is passing away.

7:32 But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord--how he may please the Lord.

In return, we must pay attention to the matters of God or He Himself. It means that all physical things in the world such as riches, study, job, marriage and household, and so on must not disturb our attention to God, so we do not experience worry.

Luke 21:25-26

21:25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring;

21:26 "men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

On the last days, when the earth, sea, and air are shaken by the trinity of Satan, the worry becomes the main killer physically and spiritually.

The facts found in the worry are as follows:

1. Fearing something that has not happened yet.

Amos 3:7-8

3:7 Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.

3:8 A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord GOD has spoken! Who can but prophesy?

God preached the prophetic Word or the true teaching Word for revealing the things which have not happened yet, but will happen for sure, so we do not need to worry because we have been ready for facing all things.

Ones who worry are those who do not appreciate, but reject the repeated true teaching Word. It means not having the Table of Showbread or the perseverance in committing the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion.

2. Being like a murky spring and a polluted well. It means not being blessings or testimony for others, but the stumbling-block.

Proverbs 25:26

25:26 A righteous man who falters before the wicked is like a murky spring and a polluted well.

It is the same as not having the Golden Candlestick or the perseverance in committing the General Service or fellowship.

If we persevere in committing the General Service, Holy Spirit will anoint us, so we can be the witness of God. Holy Spirit gives us the gifts, so we can minister to God.

3. Not confessing the preservation of God.

1 Peter 5:7

5:7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

One feels that his life is preserved by the diploma, money, job, shop, and so on. Consequently, he cannot prioritize God more than anything. He cannot surrender fully to God. He cannot worship Him. It is the same as not having the Golden Altar of Incense or perseverance in committing the Prayer Service.

Actually, we get the direct preservation of God through the worship prayer.

Thus, ones who worry are not in the Holy Place or the shepherding pen. They are not shepherded well and correctly.

Luke 10:40-41

10:40 But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

10:41 And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.

For example, Martha or the servant of God was busy in serving, but worried. Why? It was because of not being shepherded well and correctly or not putting Jesus as the Head or Shepherd in her life.

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."

The woman or wife is the helper of the husband or head. Martha said "*Therefore tell her to help me.*" It means that she wanted to be the head or took the position of Jesus as the Head.

Be careful! Many women want to be the head in the marriage and service to God, so Jesus cannot become the head. The proof is when the marriage and service to God do not prioritize or are not in line with the true teaching Word or Jesus Himself. The consequences are as follows:

1. There is worry.

Matthew 15:33

15:33 Then His disciples said to Him, "Where could we get enough bread in the wilderness to fill such a great multitude?"

Ones who worried always ask "how can it be", "how much money", and so on. . The right one is "how many loaves do you have".

Matthew 15:34

15:34 Jesus said to them, "How many loaves do you have?" And they said, "Seven, and a few little fish."

Jesus gave us example to start all things with the seven loaves or all things must be in line with the true teaching Word. As a result, God is able to perform the miracle. He is able to preserve our life abundantly until we can give thanks. He is able to use our life in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain. We become blessings for others.

2. Being troubled about many things.

It means living in the atmosphere of thorns or curses, namely weariness, heavy burden, sorrow, and tears.

3. Not Jesus being the head, the head will be foxes and birds.

Matthew 8:20

8:20 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head."

Revelation 18:2

18:2 And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!"

The foxes refer to the evil, the love of money, looking for money in illegal ways, stinginess (not being able to give), and greediness (stealing the possession of God).

The birds refer to the uncleanness or the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.

Such life will be used in the edification of Babylon, the false church that is perfect in evil and uncleanness, or the bride of the Antichrist that will be destroyed.

Therefore, we must be shepherded well and correctly so that we do not experience the worry, sorrow, destruction, and perdition. We must be like Mary, sitting at the feet of the Lord or being shepherded well and correctly.

Luke 10:39

10:39 And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word.

The requirements are as follows:

- Persevering in the shepherding pen or committing the three main services to God.
- Hearing and obeying the words of Jesus or the repeated true teaching Word.

Luke 10:40,42

10:40 But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

10:42 "But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

Many Christians mock the shepherded people. Nevertheless the first and best ministry is hearing and obeying the Word. It means prioritizing the true teaching Word or Jesus Himself. It is the same as placing Jesus as the Head or Shepherd.

John 10:27-28

10:27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

10:28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

One who is shepherded well and correctly is in the hand of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. We can submit all our care to Him, so we live in peace and all things become easy and light.

The results are as follows:

1. The hands of the Good Shepherd are able to preserve our life from now on in the world until we have the beautiful successful future life and the eternal one. The hands of God are able to work beyond what we can think. He makes the destroyed things good.
2. The hands of the Good Shepherd are able to sanctify us, so we can live in holiness and love one another.

1 Peter 1:22

1:22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

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 equipped with the ministry or the beautiful tunic for being used in the ministry for the edification of Christ's body. Our life becomes successful and beautiful in time of need.

3. Receiving the anointing and fullness of Holy Spirit until overflowing.

Romans 8:15

8:15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

The functions of Holy Spirit are as follows:

- Holy Spirit pours out the love of God, so we can give thanks in sufferings.

Romans 5:3-5

5:3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance;

5:4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope.

5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

We can persevere in the shepherding, praying, and fasting.

We can endure and be strong and of good courage. We do not get disappointed or hopeless and leave God regardless of anything that happens. We keep faithful and fervent in spirit in serving and ministering to God. We keep on believing and hoping God as well as worshipping Him.

- Holy Spirit makes us joyful in the midst of sufferings and changes our life.

1 Peter 4:14

4:14 If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

We become the new man, namely being patient and persevering. We patiently wait for the time of God and do not take our own way which is not in line with the Word. We persevere in faith, shepherding, and praying.

James 5:7-11

5:7 Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives the early and latter rain.

5:8 You also be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

5:9 Do not grumble against one another, brethren, lest you be condemned. Behold, the Judge is standing at the door!

5:10 My brethren, take the prophets, who spoke in the name of the Lord, as an example of suffering and patience.

5:11 Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord--that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

We face Jesus, the High Priest or Great Shepherd who stretches out the hands of Holy Spirit for finishing all impossible problems.

God blesses you.