

General Service in Malang, June 27, 2021 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 13:8

13:8. All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Verse 5-7 refers to the Antichrist that receives the power from the dragon, so he has the power in the words to blaspheme, and the power in the deeds to defeat the church of God for three and a half years. The sons of God who keep worshipping Him, not the Antichrist will experience great tribulation up to being beheaded, but they will be risen when Jesus comes a second time. On the contrary, there are many people who worship the Antichrist. They can live well, but they will become the same as the Antichrist who will be destroyed forever.

Who will worship the Antichrist? All who dwell on the earth including the sons of God whose names have not been written in the Book of Life will worship the Antichrist. Why does it happen? It happens because the church of God worships the idol, namely golden calf.

Exodus 32:31-33

32:31. Then Moses returned to the LORD and said, "Oh, these people have committed a great sin, and have made for themselves a god of gold!

32:32. "Yet now, if You will forgive their sin -- but if not, I pray, blot me out of Your book which You have written."

32:33. And the LORD said to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book.

In the past time, the idolatry happened when the Israelites went out of Egypt.

Now, it happens again when the church of God goes out of the world to meet Jesus on the glorious clouds.

Exodus 32:9

32:9. And the LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and indeed it is a stiff-necked people!

The golden calf refers to the idol on the last days, namely the hardness of heart or being unrestrained.

Exodus 32:24-25

32:24. "And I said to them, 'Whoever has any gold, let them break it off.' So they gave it to me, and I cast it into the fire, and this calf came out."

32:25. Now when Moses saw that the people were unrestrained(for Aaron had not restrained them, to their shame among their enemies),

The fact found in the hardness of heart is that the church of God is unrestrained. It refers to the fleshly man who cannot be shepherded well and correctly. He does not want to be in the true sheepfold (the Holy Place) or has no perseverance in committing the three kinds of main service to God.

We must be careful. There is a shepherd who is like Moses. He is responsible to lift up the intercession prayer for the salvation of the congregation.

But, there is a shepherd who is like Aaron. He has the fear of the congregation, so they worship the idol.

The meanings of the horse are as follows:

1. Isaiah 31:1

31:1. Woe to those who go down to Egypt for help, And rely on horses, Who trust in chariots because they are many, And in horsemen because they are very strong, But who do not look to the Holy One of Israel, Nor seek the LORD!

The horse refers to the fleshly man who just relies on the power of the flesh or the world, namely intelligence, riches, position, *et cetera*, so he does not want to look for God, hear the Word, and worship God. Moreover, he does not want to repent up to being unable to repent like Satan/the Antichrist.

2. Jeremiah 5:8

5:8. They were like well-fed lusty stallions; Every one neighed after his neighbor's wife.

The horse also refers to the fleshly man who just follows the lust of the flesh, namely evil desire, unclean desire and bitterness.

The evil desire refers to the will of money that makes one greedy and stingy.

The bitterness refers to envy and hatred.

The unclean desire refers to the sins of eating-drinking and the sins of marrying-giving in marriage, namely fornication with all of its kinds and false marriage.

The stinginess means that one cannot give for God's work and others.

The greediness means that one steals the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offering, and the one of others.

The false marriage is the mixed-marriage, divorce-remarrying, *et cetera*. It is what happened on the days of Noah and the Israelites when they went out of Egypt and worshipped the golden calf.

Exodus 32:6

32:6. Then they rose early on the next day, offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

Exodus 32:17-19

32:17. And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, "There is a noise of war in the camp."

32:18. But he said: "It is not the noise of the shout of victory, Nor the noise of the cry of defeat, But the sound of singing I hear."

32:19. So it was, as soon as he came near the camp, that he saw the calf and the dancing. So Moses' anger became hot, and he cast the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain.

Consequently, the church of God does not experience the death and resurrection with Jesus or purification and the renewal of life. It is the same as being neither dead to old life nor raised for the new one. They do not have the new song but just the sound of singing (old song or the fleshly man's song).

It will lead the church of God to the revival of the wild horse. They become the same as the Antichrist and worship him, so they are destroyed. Their names are taken away from the Book of Life.

Be watchful! There is the bride of Christ, but there is also the one of Satan.

Revelation 14:1-3

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.

14:2. And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

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.

One hundred and forty-four thousand of the Israelites are the core of the body of Christ or God's bride, and the Gentiles are just added.

A new song is the result of the death and resurrection experience with Jesus. We suffer to die to sin.

A new song is also the result of the purification and renewal of life from the flesh men to the spiritual ones like Jesus.

If we have the new song, we will receive a new name. We are called by the name of Jesus, so our name is written in the Book of Life.

That is why we struggle, so we do not harden our heart and become the wild horse that will be destroyed. We pray for having good and gentle hearts, so we can be in the sheepfold to be purified up to perfection, and we can say: "*I shall not want.*"

Do not be selfish! We must pay attention to other sheep from other fold. If we are shepherded well and correctly, the voice of the Shepherd will lead us to the fellowship, so we become one flock with one shepherd or one body of Christ with Jesus as the Head. We bring the abundance of blessing and the Word to the sheep from other fold.

It means that we can enter the revival of the building of the perfect body of Christ in the shepherding. It is the same as the revival of a white horse, not the wild one.

Revelation 6:1-2

6:1. Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see."

6:2. And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.

The revival of the white horse is signified with bow and arrows.

Habakkuk 3:8-9,11

3:8. O LORD, were You displeased with the rivers, Was Your anger against the rivers, Was Your wrath against the sea, That You rode on Your horses, Your chariots of salvation?

3:9. Your bow was made quite ready; Oaths were sworn over Your arrows. Selah You divided the earth with rivers.

3:11. The sun and moon stood still in their habitation; At the light of Your arrows they went, At the shining of Your glittering spear.

The bow refers to the Bible.

The arrows refer to the verses in the Bible.

The bow and arrows refer to the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ or the true teaching Word whose secret is revealed through one verse that explains the other verses in the Holy Bible.

The revival of the building of the body of Christ is the same as the one of victory until we sit together with Jesus on the throne of heaven forever.

2 Kings 13:13-15

13:13. So Joash rested with his fathers. Then Jeroboam sat on his throne. And Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

13:14. Elisha had become sick with the illness of which he would die. Then Joash the king of Israel came down to him, and wept over his face, and said, "O my father, my father, the chariots of Israel and their horsemen!"

13:15. And Elisha said to him, "Take a bow and some arrows." So he took himself a bow and some arrows.

Elisha was the miracle maker prophet, but he was sick until he died.

It means that our life and death are in the hands of God. We just pray for the lengthening of our life to God like King Hezekiah.

We still get the lengthening of our life, so we can enter the revival of the white horse.

2 Kings 13:16-17

13:16. Then he said to the king of Israel, "Put your hand on the bow." So he put his hand on it, and Elisha put his hands on the king's hands.

13:17. And he said, "Open the east window"; and he opened it. Then Elisha said, "Shoot"; and he shot. And he said, "The arrow of the LORD'S deliverance and the arrow of deliverance from Syria; for you must strike the Syrians at Aphek till you have destroyed them."

The arrow which is shot to the east means that the revival of the true teaching Word (the Bride Tidings) is from east to west, namely from Indonesia to the west, Samaria, Judea up to the New Jerusalem or the eternal kingdom of heaven.

In the past time, the revival of the gospel Word was from west to east, but on the last days the revival of the teaching Word is from east to west.

The revival from east to west also refers to the one of victory to defeat the flesh will with all of its lusts, so we can be shepherded well and correctly. We confess that we are just sheep for the slaughter. We cannot rely on our will but God's only.

The Syrians refer to the impossible problem. But, God's power is able to give victory over the flesh and all things up to the impossible ones, so we can sit on the throne of heaven with Jesus forever.

There are three steps of victory by the arrow as follows:

1. The first victory, namely salvation.

1 Samuel 20:20-21

20:20. "Then I will shoot three arrows to the side, as though I shot at a target;

20:21. "and there I will send a lad, saying, 'Go, find the arrows.' If I expressly say to him, 'Look, the arrows are on this side of you; get them and come' --then, as the LORD lives, there is safety for you and no harm.

The three arrows refer to the shepherding Word in the three kinds of main service to God (the shepherding) that is able to give the guarantee of salvation and protection for us.

There is no harm. We will not be destroyed.

There are four curtains in the Holy Place that protect us. We are saved, so we are not punished and destroyed.

2. The second victory, namely the purification.

Deuteronomy 32:42

32:42. I will make My arrows drunk with blood, And My sword shall devour flesh, With the blood of the slain and the captives, From the heads of the leaders of the enemy." '

There is a sign of blood every time the arrow is shot right on target. It means that we suffer in flesh because of the purification every time the teaching Word is preached right on target.

We pray to God, so we can be the target of the arrow in the ministry. We can be purified all the time although it is painful for the flesh.

Do not avoid it like Judas Iscariot! Do not be angry like Herod!

Consequently, Judas fell headlong and burst open in the middle because he kept the will of money.

What must be purified?

Job 20:25

20:25. It is drawn, and comes out of the body; Yes, the glittering point comes out of his gall. Terrors come upon him;

The arrow purifies us from the gall, namely bitterness, unclean desire, and evil desire, so we have the pure heart.

The arrow also comes out of the back (the spinal cord). We are purified, so we do not experience spiritual dryness. We are not desperate and disappointed against anything.

We are always happy, regardless of anything that happens. We become the medicine that heals and helps others. King Hezekiah was healed by God with a piece of cake of figs (God's mercy and goodness).

Proverbs 17:22

17:22. A merry heart does good, like medicine, But a broken spirit dries the bones.

The arrow also purifies the humpback, namely worry, fear, and anxiety, so we just believe in and hope God. God will help us.

3. The third victory, namely the light of glory or the renewal of life.

Habakkuk 3:11

3:11. The sun and moon stood still in their habitation; At the light of Your arrows they went, At the shining of Your glittering spear.

The glory of God is not about riches because people who have not known God are richer.

The real glory is the renewal of life that cannot be imitated by anyone even Satan.

Jesus shows Himself as the glorious man on the mountain. His face is altered and His robe becomes white and glistening.

The renewal of face is the same as the one of senses or heart.

The hard heart must be changed to become the gentle one.

For example, Job kept the self-truth because of the hard heart.

Job 32:1-2

32:1. So these three men ceased answering Job, because he was righteous in his own eyes.

32:2. Then the wrath of Elihu, the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the family of Ram, was aroused against Job; his wrath was aroused because he justified himself rather than God.

The self-truth means the righteousness by logic or covering sin by blaming at others and God (the true teaching Word).

That is why Job was allowed to experience the total test, so he could become gentle.

Job 42:5-6

42:5. "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You.

42:6. Therefore I abhor myself, And repent in dust and ashes."

Having the gentle heart means that we confess that we are just the dust and ashes, and we have many physical and spiritual weaknesses.

Our eyes just look at Jesus' face which is like the sun, namely the great and miraculous God's merciful hand.

The fact found in the renewal of life (the spiritual miracle) is the beaming face.

Further, the physical miracle also happens. God is able to help us from the valley of failure, fear, sin, problem, and any darkness.

God's mercy that is like the sun is able to help us.

The robe that means the deed is also changed to become the true, good, and holy deed. Do not do evil! Do not oppress or harm others!

If we have not done the good thing yet, at least we do not harm others.

We learn to do the true, holy, and good thing until we can repay good for evil.

Revelation 19:8

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.

If we have the new face and robe, we will have the new name that is written in the Book of Life.

Revelation 3:5

3:5. "He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

We experience the last purification and renewal of life up to perfection like Jesus when He comes a second time.

We receive the new heart, robe, song, and name to enter the New Jerusalem forever.

There are God's mercy and goodness as long as we can see the sunshine. The important thing is that we become gentle. Do not keep the hard heart! We confess that we are unworthy and unable. We are just mortar, dust, and ashes. We only hope God's mercy and goodness.

God blesses us.