

General Service in Malang, June 30, 2013 (Sunday Morning)

Peace and grace in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 28:20b

28:20 and lo, I am with you always, unto the end of the age. Amen.

In the spiritual revival that is entrusted to us by God, He will always be with us. He is always with us to the end of the age. It means God is with us starting from now on until the days when Antichrist reigns for three years and a half, until He comes a second time and we sit together with Him on the throne of Heaven forever.

In Exodus 33, Moses asks for the accompaniment of God during the journey in the wilderness to Canaan. Now, we also ask for the accompaniment of God during our journey in this world that is as the wilderness until we reach the New Jerusalem.

There are two forms of the accompaniment of God to Moses as follows.

1. The grace of God [verse 12-17].
2. The glory of God [verse 18-23].

Exodus 33:23

33:23 Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen.

Moses saw the glory of God from His back, so he could write the five first books of Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy), that contain the things that had happened far away before Moses was born.

Revelation 1:9,16

1:9 I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

1:16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

John the apostle saw the glory of God from the front, namely the face of Jesus, so he could write the last five books in Bible (the gospel according to John, the first, second, and third epistle of John, and the Revelation) that contain the things that have not happened yet.

Now, the church of God sees His glory on the whole, that is seeing His heart that is filled with eternal love.

Exodus 40:33-34

40:33 And he raised up the court all around the tabernacle and the altar, and hung up the screen of the court gate. So Moses finished the work.

40:34 Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

1 Kings 8:10-11

8:10 And it came to pass, when the priests came out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of the Lord,

8:11 so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord filled the house of the Lord.

In the past, the glory of God was within the Tabernacle built by Moses, and within the house of the Lord built by Solomon. Now, we can see the glory of God in the building of the perfect body of Christ, starting from within marriage, shepherding, and between shepherding.

To be able to enter the building of the body of Christ, we must sacrifice everything (time, energy, thought, et cetera). Jesus Himself even sacrifices His soul. There is only one thing that must not be sacrificed, that is the true teaching Word.

1 Kings 9:1-3

9:1 And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished building the house of the Lord and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he wanted to do,

9:2 that the Lord appeared to Solomon the second time, as He had appeared to him at Gibeon.

9:3 And the Lord said to him: I have heard your prayer and your supplication that you have made before Me; I have consecrated this house which you have built to put My name there forever, and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually.

In the building of the body of Christ, we see and feel the glory of God in three forms as follows.

1. The name of God is there perpetually.

Genesis 4:26

4:26 And as for Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh. Then men began to call on the name of the Lord.

The name of God refers to the past.

Philippians 2:8-11

2:8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

2:9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

2:10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

2:11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

In the New Testament, Jesus becomes obedient until He dies on the cross. The result is God gives Him the name which is above every name. That name has the power to beat Satan the trinity.

If we are obedient until the flesh does not sound anymore, we can cry out the name of Jesus and experience the victory power over Satan the trinity that rules over our body, soul, and spirit.

- Victory over Satan (the beast in the air), meaning victory over sins up to the peak of sins, that is sins concerning eating and drinking (smoking, getting drunk, consuming drugs) and marrying and being given in marriage. We can live in righteousness and holiness.
- Victory over false prophet (the beast on the earth), meaning victory over the world with all its influence, including the false teaching. We can be faithful to the true teaching Word, also faithful in ministry and marriage.

James 4:4

4:4 Adulterers and adulteresses! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

- Victory over antichrist (the beast in the sea), meaning victory over the flesh with all its desire, especially the desire of money that makes us stingy and greedy. We feel more blessed to give than to receive.

The proof of having victory over Satan the trinity is the tongue is no longer wild, but only confesses that Jesus Christ is Lord [Philippians 2:11]. It means that we confess our sins; we only say good and right words.

2. The eyes of God are there perpetually.

The eyes of God refer to the future. It is only God, through sanctification, who decides the success or failure of our future.

1 John 3:2-3

3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

3:3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

We can experience sanctification in the Holy Place. Now it refers to perseverance in the sheepfold.

- Golden candlestick refers to perseverance in General Service.
- Table of showbread refers to perseverance in Bible Study Service with Holy Communion.
- Golden altar of incense refers to perseverance in Prayer Service.

We can get the best future in the shepherding.

With what are we sanctified?

John 15:3

15:3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.

We are sanctified by the word spoken by Jesus Himself. It refers to the true teaching Word, in which a verse explains other verses in the Bible. If we are shepherded and sanctified, we are as a branch that abides on the true vine or as seven women

who take hold of one man.

Isaiah 4:1

4:1 And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, "We will eat our own food and wear our own apparel; Only let us be called by your name, To take away our reproach."

We experience sanctification from the reproach of sin in the shepherding. If the Gentiles are not shepherded, they will become reproach everywhere.

The reproach of the Gentiles is the sin of Babylon, that is the sin concerning marrying and being given in marriage, and also worry. We must be sanctified from the sin of Babylon and worry so we can be used in the ministry of building the body of Christ.

Matthew 6:27

6:27 Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?

Worry only decreases our age until we are destroyed forever. But if we do not worry and we fully submit our life to God, we can use every cubit of our life for the building of the body of Christ.

If we are shepherded and sanctified, God bears our life. He cares our life and gives us beautiful future, until we can be called by His name [Isaiah 4:1]. We become the bride of God.

3. The heart or the love of God is there perpetually.

The heart of God refers to the present days.

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,

The love from the sanctification of the true teaching Word is the pure love, so we can love one another sincerely and love God more than everything. We can worship God and fully submit our life to Him.

The results are as follows.

- The loving hands of the Great Shepherd embrace us as powerless babies.

Isaiah 49:14-16

49:14 But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me, And my Lord has forgotten me."

49:15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you."

49:16 See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.

We are cared miraculously and always warmed so we are always fervent in spirit in ministering God, also in marriage. In the embrace of God's hands, we experience peace and calm, until we reach the throne of New Jerusalem.

- The loving hands of the High Priest are strong to set us free from the bondage of sins, problems, and sufferings, so everything becomes easy and light.

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

7:7 The Lord did not set His love on you nor choose you because you were more in number than any other people, for you were the least of all peoples;

7:8 but because the Lord loves you, and because He would keep the oath which He swore to your fathers, the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you from the house of bondage, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

- The loving hands of the Heavenly bridegroom wash us twice with the water baptism and the Word, so we are without blemish.

Ephesians 5:25-27

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.

Two times sanctification denotes the sanctification from leprosy, that is sanctification from self-truth (it is white but it is leprosy). Self-truth is the truth that is not according to the Word. Self-truth is covering sins by blaming the others, even blaming God and the true teaching Word. One with self-truth cannot be rebuked or advised by the true teaching Word. It causes one to become disobedient and rebellious.

The loving hands of the Heavenly bridegroom want to wash and sanctify us until we become perfect as His bride who is ready to welcome His second coming on the glorious clouds and see His true glory forever.

God blesses us.