

General Service in Malang, March 26, 2023 (Sunday Morning)

GENERAL SERVICE

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

Revelation 19:6-10 is about the marriage supper of the Lamb.

It refers to the second coming of Jesus in the glory as the King of all kings and the Heavenly Bridegroom for bringing us to enter the marriage supper of the Lamb [Revelation 19], the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace [Revelation 20], and the New Jerusalem [Revelation 21-22].

Revelation 19:6-8

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.

The preparation of the Church for welcoming Jesus' second coming in the glory as the King of all kings or the Heavenly Bridegroom on the glorious clouds must be as follows:

1. [verse 6] There must be the voice "Alleluia".
2. Jesus has come as the King of all kings, so we must be the kings.
3. [verse 7] We must rejoice, shout for joy, and glorify God.
4. [verse 8] We must have or wear the fine linen, clean and bright or the clothes of the bride.

Romans 3:23

3:23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

As a matter of fact, since Adam and Eve committed sin and were driven out of Eden to enter the world, all men in the world have sinned and lost the glory of God or been naked.

The process of getting the clothes of the bride is as follows:

1. **The clothes of the bride refer to the fine linen, clean and bright or the holiness up to the heart.**

It is the result of the work of the Bride Tidings or the true teaching Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword.

Actually, there are two kinds of the preaching of the Word as follows:

- The preaching of the Gospel Word or the gospel of salvation that preaches Jesus' first coming to die on the cross for saving the sinful people so that they can believe Jesus, repent, get the water and Holy Spirit baptism, and live in righteousness.
- The preaching of the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ or the Bride Tidings that preaches Jesus' second coming for choosing the saved people and sanctifying them up to the heart until being as perfect as Jesus is or the heavenly bride who is ready for welcoming Jesus' second coming.

Hebrews 4:12

4:12 For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

The Bride Tidings is able to sanctify all hidden desires of sins in the heart and mind as follows:

- Unclean desires that aim at the sins concerning eating-drinking such as smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse as well as the ones concerning marrying-being given in marriage such as fornication and pornography. Such things have destroyed many marriages and children.

If we hold fast the true teaching or hold the sword, our life, marriage, and children will be sanctified until we reach the perfect marriage or the marriage supper of the Lamb when Jesus comes a second time.

For example, Solomon when he was young did not have any experience, but could solve the problem about

marriage and child by the sharpness of the sword of the Word.

Nevertheless, he released the sword and held the other teachings in his old life when he had had many experiences and felt so great. Consequently, the marriage and children were destroyed.

- The bitterness of heart, envy, jealousy, and revenge which cause weariness, heavy burden, sorrow, and tears.

Holding fast the true teaching or the sword, we are sanctified from the bitterness of heart, so we feel peaceful. All things become easy and light.

- The evil desires. The root of all evils is the love of money until one cannot love God and other people.

1 Timothy 6:10

6:10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

The facts found in it are as follows:

- a. Serving and ministering to God only to look for money.
- b. Leaving the service and ministry to God only to look for money.
- c. Looking for money in illegal ways.
- d. Being stingy or not being able to give, but only begging like the blind Bartimaeus. It means not being able to see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ.
- e. Being greedy or stealing the possession of God, namely the tithes and offerings, and the possession of other people.

Formerly, Judas Iscariot stole the possession of God until perishing. Now, the trust to a pastor who feeds the congregation to receive the tithes is stolen, so there is no spiritual food. The congregation falls and cannot rise anymore. They only commit sins up to the peak and perish forever.

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,

If we hold the sword, we are sanctified, so we are equipped with the ministry and gifts of Holy Spirit or the beautiful tunic and used in the ministry for the edification of Christ's body. If we are holy, we can minister to God. It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the perfect body of Christ. We have the beautiful tunic or we are not naked. Our life becomes beautiful.

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

9:7 So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

We can return the tithes and offerings which belong to God with the willing heart and joy. We can give to the work of God and other people who are in need with the willing heart and joy. As a result, God makes all grace abound toward us to preserve our life in sufficiency. We always give thanks to God and do not lack of anything.

We also abound in the good deeds to other people. It is the same as the garments of the bride [Revelation 19:8]

Satan tries to hinder men, so they keep naked. Nevertheless, after they get the garments, Satan still tries to strip the servants of God through the stinginess and greediness.

2. The clean and bright fine linen or the garments of the bride which we get through the worship prayer.

Matthew 17:1-2

17:1 Now after six days Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, led them up on a high mountain by themselves;

17:2 and He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.

The worship prayer is the process to tear the flesh with all of its lusts or desires, so we get the life renewal from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus is.

The face or heart is changed.

The sad face refers to the hard heart that is full of envy, hatred, and revenge. It is changed to be meek and full of love to God and other people, so the face is cheerful and shining like the sun.

The face refers to the five senses which must be changed. It begins from the mouth.

Matthew 15:18

15:18 "But those things which proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and they defile a man.

If the heart is full of love, the mouth will say the good words as follows:

- It begins from confessing sins to God and other people. Being forgiven, do not commit sin anymore!
- Forgiving and forgetting the sins of other people.
- The righteous and good words.
The deeds are righteous and good. We do not harm other people, but only do good things to them; even we can repay good for evil.

Luke 9:28

9:28 Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray.

If we hold the sword, we will be able to ascend the mountain, namely enjoy worshiping God.

3. The robe of ministry must be dipped in the blood of Jesus.

Genesis 37:31

37:31 So they took Joseph's tunic, killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the tunic in the blood.

It means that we must experience the sprinkling of blood, the cross, the test, or the suffering in the flesh because of Jesus like Joseph or the church of the bride.

Acts 20:18-24

20:18 And when they had come to him, he said to them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you,

20:19 "serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews;

20:20 "how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house,

20:21 "testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

20:22 "And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there,

20:23 "except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me.

20:24 "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

Why do the servants of God who live in holiness and do and say the good things have to experience the sprinkling of blood?

- [verse 22] To make us the captive of the spirit. We are filled up by Holy Spirit, so we can minister to God with humble heart. We are not arrogant. We do not rely on anything of the world.

[verse 19] We weep much more or minister to God with a serious heart and sacrifice, not sacrificing other people.

[verse 23] We are not negligent, but keep faithful and fervent in spirit as well as responsible in the service and ministry although we must face the sufferings in the flesh because of Jesus until the end line.

If the robe is dipped in the blood, we cannot be stripped by Satan. We can minister to God until the end line.

- To make us experience the renewal from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus is.

2 Corinthians 4:16-17

4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.

4:17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,

The renewal of characteristics happens from losing heart or easily being disappointed, hopeless, and proud until

leaving God to being obedient regardless of any risk we have to take or until the flesh does not speak anymore.

It is the same as stretching out our hands to God and He will stretch out His hands to us. We live in the hands of God.

Deuteronomy 28:1-4,8

28:1 "Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the LORD your God will set you high above all nations of the earth.

28:2 "And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God:

28:3 "Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the country.

28:4 "Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, the produce of your ground and the increase of your herds, the increase of your cattle and the offspring of your flocks.

28:8 "The LORD will command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you set your hand, and He will bless you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you.

As a result, the hands of God are able to bless, protect, and preserve our life in the midst of difficulties or impossibilities in the world until the time when the Antichrist reigns over the world for three and a half years. Spiritually, we keep on living in righteousness and holiness in the midst of sins up to the peak. God blesses the marriage and children with the heavenly joy up to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

Exodus 15:26

15:26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I am the LORD who heals you."

Jehovah Rapha or God is able to heal from physical diseases and the spiritual or mental ones or sins up to the peak and distress until there is peace.

Matthew 7:24-25

7:24 "Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock:

7:25 "and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the latter rain or the edification of the perfect body of Christ. It begins from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, and so on. We become the servant of God that endures and serves and ministers to God until the end line and we become perfect.

God blesses you.

CHILD SUBMISSION

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.

The love of God never changes. It is greater than the love of a mother and anything. Therefore, we submit the child into the merciful hands of God. The results are as follows:

1. Living in the merciful hands of God, there is guarantee of protection and preservation of God miraculously. Spiritually, we keep on living in righteousness and holiness in the Lord.
2. The merciful hands of God are able to hold us as the captive of Spirit. We cannot be out of the hands of God anymore.

Isaiah 49:24-25

49:24 Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, Or the captives of the righteous be delivered?

49:25 But thus says the LORD: "Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, And the prey of the terrible be

delivered; For I will contend with him who contends with you, And I will save your children.

We are used by God. There is the beautiful tunic, so our life becomes more beautiful up to the perfection.

God blesses you.