

General Service in Malang, May 22, 2022 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 16:8-9

16:8 Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire.

16:9 And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory.

The pouring of the fourth bowl of the wrath of God on the sun happened until men were scorched with fire.

The sun refers to the perfect love of God. Rejecting the perfect love of God, one must get the fourth bowl of the wrath of God for sure.

There are three main elements in the perfect love of God as follows:

1. The light refers to the activity of God's love that makes us walk in the light and become the light of testimony for others. It begins from being the light in the household, before men, and the light of the world like Jesus.
2. The heat refers to the enthusiasm of God's love.
3. The energy refers to the power of God's love.

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The heat refers to the enthusiasm of God's love that encourages us to be faithful and fervent in spirit in the service and ministry to God and the ministry of the edification of the perfect body of Christ until being the perfect bride of God.

Rejecting the love of God, one will enter the judgment of the scorching fire.

The fact found rejecting the love of God is rejecting the enthusiasm of God's love until there are no faithfulness and fervency in spirit in the service and ministry to God. It means that one becomes unprofitable and not active in the ministry for the edification of Christ's body.

Such life will be used in the edification of Babylon or the bride of Satan that will be destroyed by the scorching fire.

The facts found in it are as follows:

1. Babylon or the great harlot refers to unfaithfulness.

Having no heat of the fire of God's love, one must not be able to be faithful as follows.

- Unfaithfulness to the one true teaching Word or one Man, namely Jesus. It means always being tossed to and fro by other teachings because of physical things.
- Unfaithfulness until leaving the service and ministry to God because of the desires of the physical things.

The example is Judas Iscariot

Luke 22:3-5

22:3 Then Satan entered Judas, surnamed Iscariot, who was numbered among the twelve.

22:4 So he went his way and conferred with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray Him to them.

22:5 And they were glad, and agreed to give him money.

Judas Iscariot made conspiracy with the chief priests who resisted against the teachings of Jesus for killing the righteous.

Matthew 27:3-5

27:3 Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,

27:4 saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." And they said, "What is that to us? You see to it!"

27:5 Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.

Consequently, he hanged himself. It means as follows:

- Being disappointed and hopeless as well as leaving God.
- Rejecting the sacrifice of Christ. It is the same as keeping sin although regretting it because such regret is useless.
- Bearing the curse of sin. There is no certainty in life. Such life is in weariness, heavy burden, sorrow, and perdition.

Matthew 25:21

25:21 *"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

Therefore, we must receive the heat of the love of God, so we are always fervent in spirit in committing the service and ministry to God. We can be faithful, responsible, and trustworthy. As a result, God will entrust us with the greater responsibility, namely being used in the edification of the perfect body of Christ. We get the heavenly joy in the midst of the cursed world.

2. **Egoism until one does not want to sacrifice for the ministry for the edification of the body of Christ and God as well as others who are in need.**

The egoistic people can be described as the following two things:

- Swamp.

Isaiah 14:22-23

14:22 *"For I will rise up against them," says the LORD of hosts, "And cut off from Babylon the name and remnant, And offspring and posterity," says the LORD.*

14:23 *"I will also make it a possession for the porcupine, And marshes of muddy water; I will sweep it with the broom of destruction," says the LORD of hosts.*

It means only receiving blessing without the willingness to become blessings for others.

- Goat.

Matthew 25:41-43

25:41 *"Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:*

25:42 *'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink;*

25:43 *'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.'*

It means not giving to and visiting others who are in need.

Matthew 25:45-46

25:45 *"Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'*

25:46 *"And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."*

Egoistic people do not want to do all things which God has stirred up in heart by the encouragement of the Word.

Ezekiel 47:11

47:11 *"But its swamps and marshes will not be healed; they will be given over to salt.*

The consequence is being given over to salt or sins until being the dead sea. It means being dead spiritually or not being fervent in spirit in doing the spiritual things or service and ministry to God. It also means only committing sins up to the peak, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking such as smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse as well as the ones concerning marrying-being given in marriage until he cannot repent anymore. Such life will perish forever. The words are dry, meaningless, and full of lies, gossips, and slanders.

Therefore, we must receive the heat of God's love, so we are always fervent for sacrificing all things such as the time, energy, though, and money for being active in the ministry for edifying the perfect body of Christ. It begins from the marriage or household and shepherding. We become the heap of the love of God and His blessings up to the eternal life.

3. **Being controlled by the evil and unclean spirits.**

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 foulspirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird!"*

The foxes refer to the evil spirits or the love of money. One does not love God and others, so he becomes stingy and greedy. Stinginess means that one cannot give.

Greediness means stealing the possession of God, namely the tithes and offerings, as well as the possession of others, namely not paying the debt. There is entrusted thing in every blessing which God has given, namely the possession of others who are in need. It must be given. Do not steal it!

The birds refer to the unclean spirits.

The foxes and birds become the head, so the den of thieves will be destroyed.

Therefore, we must receive the heat of God's love, so we can be fervent in spirit in loving God more than anything or placing Him as the Head. As a result, we get the sanctification. The foxes and birds are driven out, so we can live in holiness, we are fervent in spirit for worshiping God or being the house of prayer.

Isaiah 6:1

6:1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple.

It is the same as being the throne of God or His dwelling place. We can cry out the name of Jesus and touch the train of His robe.

The results are as follows:

- The train of God's robe filled the temple. It means that we get the power of protection and preservation of God miraculously. Physically, He is able to create something that does not exist yet. Spiritually, we can live in righteousness and holiness in the midst of the crooked world. We get the protection from dangers, disasters, judgment, and perdition.
- The power of miraculous help of God.

Mark 5:25-28

5:25 Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years,

5:26 and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse.

5:27 When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment.

5:28 For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well."

Touching the train of robe refers to believing and entrusting our whole life to God. The rotten can be made fragrant. The impossible can be made possible. The division in the household can be united and sufferings are replaced with the joy of heaven.

- The power for adorning our life to be beautiful in time of need.

Exodus 28:31-33

28:31 " You shall make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

28:32 "There shall be an opening for his head in the middle of it; it shall have a woven binding all around its opening, like the opening in a coat of mail, so that it does not tear.

28:33 " And upon its hem you shall make pomegranates of blue, purple, and scarlet, all around its hem, and bells of gold between them all around:

Physically, all meaningless things will be expensive or meaningful for God and others. All destroyed things will be beautiful in time of need.

We are renewed and changed from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus is.

We are united in the one perfect body of Christ.

God blesses you.