

General Service in Malang, October 22, 2023 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 21 refers to the light of glory or shekinah glory in the Tabernacle.

There are three lights in the Tabernacle as follows:

1. The light of the Altar of Burnt Offerings in the Court.
It means believing in Jesus and repenting or being dead to sin. Not being willing to repent, but keeping sins, one has no light, so he lives in the darkness.
2. The light of the Golden Candlestick in the Holy Place.
It refers to the light of Holy Spirit that illuminates the whole Holy Place.
3. The light of glory upon the Ark of the Covenant in the Most Holy Place.

Ad 2. **The light of the Golden Candlestick or the light of Holy Spirit.**

It is the only light for the Holy Place.

If the anointing of Holy Spirit is in our heart and our service and ministry to God, the following things will happen:

1. **The Table of Showbread can be seen.** It means that the Word will be revealed clearly to be understood, and enjoyed until we can feel the wisdom and power.
2. **The Golden Altar of Incense can be seen.** It means the worship prayer that results in the process of tearing the flesh until we can feel the love of God.
It encourages us to persevere in the sheepfold or committing the three main services to God.
3. **The boards can be seen.** It means the fellowship that increases until being one perfect body of Christ. It begins from the marriage that becomes one, and then the shepherding, and so on.

1 Corinthians 3:3-4

3:3 for you are still carnal. For where there are envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?

3:4 For when one says, "I am of Paul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not carnal?

Be careful! Groups that divide the body of Christ will happen.

The base of the fellowship of the body of Christ is the true teaching Word or Jesus as the Head.

The base of the group is not the true teaching Word, but man, money, position, and so on until there are jealousy because of not appreciating the blessings of God, strife because of sin, misunderstanding, and teachings, quarrel, hatred, and so on. The body of Christ is divided. One becomes like the dry branch, namely the words are dry or meaningless until being burnt in the hell or perishing forever.

4. **The Door can be seen,** namely we get the fullness of Holy Spirit that helps us to be able to obey the command of God. We hear the Word seriously. We can speak the true words and obey the Word precisely not like Adam and Eve in garden Eden who were not serious in hearing the Word until they spoke the wrong words by adding and taking away the Word. Finally, they did not do the Word until they fell.

The serious attitude in hearing and obeying the Word will result in the testimony as the fruits that can be eaten freely and give life.

For a pastor, his preaching of the Word becomes the fruits which can be eaten freely to give life physically and spiritually.

5. **The Veil can be seen.** It means that the tearing of flesh happens as the peak of the worship prayer.
If the flesh is torn fully until it does not speak anymore, we will see and feel shekinah glory or the light of glory in the Most Holy Place. We can feel the atmosphere of the One-Thousand-Year Kingdom of Peace or the peace up to the glory in the New Jerusalem.

6. **If we look above, there are four layers of curtains or coverings of the Tabernacle**[Exodus 26:1-14]:

- The curtains of badger skin = the covering of the love of Father God for protecting from the judgment of God over the world.
- The curtains of ram's skin dyed red = the coverings of the love of the Son of God that is unlimited in the sacrifice of Christ.
- The curtains of goat's hair = the coverings from Holy Spirit God for balancing as the stabilizer. In the wilderness, it is very hot in the daytime and very cold in the nighttime. Thus, the stabilizer is needed to prevent the destruction. The coverings from the Trinity of God protect the congregation so that there is no destruction. It cannot be seen, but can be felt.
- The curtains of Tabernacle or the lowest one that can be seen. It refers to the pastor as the angel of the church whom God Himself has placed.

Hebrews 13:7

13:7 Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct.

The pastor can cover the congregation with the example of faith because he takes the example of Christ, the Great Shepherd.

The example of faith means as follows:

- Living in righteousness or faith.
- Holding fast one true teaching Word, namely the Bible.

Hebrews 13:8

13:8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

- In facing the impossible temptation, we only cry to God.

1 Timothy 5:17

5:17 Let the elders who rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the word and doctrine.

The duties of a pastor are as follows:

- Preaching the double Word as the spiritual food for the congregation as follows:
 - a. Preaching the gospel Word for saving the sinners.
 - b. Teaching (the teaching Word) for perfecting the saved people.

It is like the example of Jesus.

Matthew 11:1

11:1 Now it came to pass, when Jesus finished commanding His twelve disciples, that He departed from there to teach and to preach in their cities.

- Lifting up the intercession prayer with joy and responsibility for the salvation of the soul of the sheep.

Hebrews 13:17

13:17 Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

[1 Timothy 5:17] The pastor who does the double duties must be honored doubly.

If there is the anointing of Holy Spirit, the congregation will be able to honor the pastor seriously or doubly. It means appreciating and praying for him, not making hostility towards him or making him as idol. The congregation can appreciate the double shepherding Word.

Luke 2:20

2:20 Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

It means being able to hear the Word seriously and see it to become the real form in our life like what John the apostle has experienced in Patmos Island.

Revelation 1:10-12

1:10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet,

1:11 saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

1:12 Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands,

The Shepherding Word is like the repeated sound of the trumpet as follows:

- To become command for all activities of the congregation, namely the service to God, offerings, fellowship, and so on.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

4:17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

Moreover, the matter of being lifted up to the glorious clouds is also commanded by the sound of the trumpet.

Be careful! If the life is not according to the command of the sound of the trumpet or the teaching Word, he will not be lifted up, but being left when Jesus comes a second time and perishing.

- The sound of the trumpet contains the power of resurrection to defeat the death or delete all impossibilities.
In the anointing of Holy Spirit, we can enjoy the Word or hearing it as a need without getting bored. We can hear it seriously until we understand and it becomes faith in heart.

Jeremiah 15:16

15:16 Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts.

We can feel the heavenly joy and give thanks as well as cry out the name of Jesus. As a result, all of our burdens are born or taken by God. All things become easy and light.

On the contrary, if we get bored to the shepherding Word, our burden will get heavier.

We can obey the Word until seeing the real form of the Shepherding Word as follows:

- a. Seven golden lampstands or the church that gets the renewal with the seven signs for reaching the perfection.

Revelation 1:12

1:12 Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands,

For example, Saul became Paul because of getting the light.

Philippians 3:4-6

3:4 though I also might have confidence in the flesh. If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so:

3:5 circumcised the eighth day(1), of the stock of Israel(2), of the tribe of Benjamin(3), a Hebrew of the Hebrews(4); concerning the law, a Pharisee(5);

3:6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church(6); concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless(7).

Saul refers to the life that serves with magnifying seven superior things physically. It means being like the quenched lamp or living without any control.

Acts 9:1-2

9:1 Then Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest

9:2 and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

Saul did not build, but persecuted or destroyed the body of Christ.

Acts 9:3-5

9:3 As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven.

9:4 Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"

9:5 And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads."

Nevertheless, Saul could hear and see the light from heaven, the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, or the sound of the trumpet, so he could change into Paul the apostle.

Philippians 3:7-8

3:7 But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ.

3:8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ

The seven great physical things are thrown away like rubbish.

Colossians 3:10-14

3:10 and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

3:11 where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

3:12 Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies(1), kindness(2), humility(3), meekness(4), longsuffering(5);

3:13 bearing with one another, and forgiving one another(6), if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.

3:14 But above all these things put on love(7), which is the bond of perfection.

- b. Jesus as the High Priest or Great Shepherd is in the life that is willingly changed.

Revelation 1:13

1:13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

If we get the renewal of life or the burning lamp, we will get these results:

- i. The sand can be seen. It means that all great things in the world are only like the sand which is trampled. It means nothing or not binding nor influencing us.
- ii. We can confess that how great we are, we are only the sand or clay that is unworthy with many sins, infirmities, and weaknesses or we cannot do anything, but only worship and stretch out the hands of faith or only hope the mercy of God.

Jesus as the Great Shepherd will stretch out His merciful hands.

Ezekiel 34:13-16

34:13 "And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country.

34:14 "I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

34:15 "I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord GOD.

34:16 "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment."

As a result, God shepherds us seriously. It means protecting and preserving our life in the midst of the difficulties in the world physically and spiritually. He protects us from sins, false teachings, and temptations.

We do not get disappointed and deny God, but keep on believing and being peaceful. All things become easy and light.

The merciful hands of God heal our physical and spiritual diseases.

1 Corinthians 2:8-9

2:8 which none of the rulers of this age knew; for had they known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

2:9 But as it is written: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, Nor have entered into the heart of man The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

He is able to do the impossible things and give the beautiful successful future life.

God blesses you.