

General Service in Malang, October 23, 2022 (Sunday Morning)

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

Revelation 17:5

17:5 And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

The great Babylon refers to the false church that is perfect in evil and uncleanness or the bride of Satan that will be destroyed.

The characteristics are as follows:

1. The great harlot or unfaithfulness to one Man, namely Christ or the true teaching Word as well as the unfaithfulness in the service and ministry to God.
2. The falsity or she likes imitating.
The false teachings only teach about the prosperity and physical entertainment without sanctification, so there is wine of fornication in it.

The false support, namely being supported by the beast with the seven heads and ten horns or the Antichrist with the power of mammon, so all ministries are counted with money and men become stingy or they cannot give because of counting too much and greedy or stealing the possession of God and others. Consequently, they lose the wage of eternal life.

Proverbs 23:4-5

23:4 Do not overwork to be rich; Because of your own understanding, cease!

23:5 Will you set your eyes on that which is not? For riches certainly make themselves wings; They fly away like an eagle toward heaven.

The money refers to the false wings or the wings of the Antichrist that will vanish away. Relying on money or being bound by money, one will perish forever.

Do not look for money until forgetting God, leaving the service and ministry, or legalizing all ways!

The mouth is false, namely lying, slandering, and blaspheming.

Proverbs 7:21

7:21 With her enticing speech she caused him to yield, With her flattering lips she seduced him.

3. Being loud and rebellious.

Proverbs 7:11-12

7:11 She was loud and rebellious, Her feet would not stay at home.

7:12 At times she was outside, at times in the open square, Lurking at every corner.

Being rebellious refers to the hard heart. It means keeping the fleshly lusts although they are contradictory to the will of God or the true teaching Word. One cannot be rebuked and advised or he is disobedient. It is the same as closing the door of heaven.

Being loud is the same as disobedience or rebellion.

The feet do not stay at home. It means not being shepherded well and correctly, but walking about up to the intersection, namely being doubtful in choosing the right thing, so one will go to the wrong direction up to the perdition. For example, Eve on the intersection heard the voice of God and also of the serpent, so she chose wrongly. Solomon from the youth had held the sword, but he released it in his old life.

4. Only committing sins up to the peak, namely the sins concerning eating-drinking and marrying-being given in marriage or enjoying the wine of fornication of Babylon.

Revelation 16:19

16:19 Now the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.

Consequently, they get the wine of the fierceness of the wrath of God up to perdition.

Revelation 17:15

17:15 Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.

The target of Babylon is the many waters or the Gentiles that are not shepherded until being controlled by the woman of Babylon or false church. They fall in sins up to the peak until being perfect in evil and uncleanness or being the bride of Satan that will be destroyed.

Therefore, the Gentiles must be shepherded like water in the waterpot on which the woman of Babylon cannot sit, so they experience the miracles of God or life renewal up to perfection.

The activities in the shepherding are as follows:

1. Filling the six waterpots with water up to the brim. It refers to **the activity in the Gospel Word or the Gospel of Salvation.**

John 2:6-7

2:6 Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece.

2:7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim.

It is the same as perseverance and patience in committing the General Service or the Golden Candlestick.

6 = the figure of the flesh or the sinful fleshly man that must be filled by the Word.

6 = 3 + 3 = the body, soul, and spirit of the husband and the body, soul, and spirit of the wife. The husband and wife must persevere and be patient in committing the General Service.

Romans 11:25

11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in.

The Gospel Word refers to the calling of God to the Gentiles for being saved and to add the quantity of the members of the body of Christ as the mercy of God to replace the lost Israelites because of their hard hearts by rejecting Jesus as the Savior.

Through the perseverance and patience in committing the General Service, we can keep and increase the salvation and righteousness.

The facts found in it are as follows:

- Keeping on having faith or believing in Jesus as the only Savior.
- Repenting or stopping sinning and returning to God.
- Being reborn by water and Spirit or living in righteousness.

Proverbs 10:3

10:3 The LORD will not allow the righteous soul to famish, But He casts away the desire of the wicked.

As a result, the righteous are blessed and preserved by God up to the descendants and become blessings for others.

Proverbs 10:2

10:2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing, But righteousness delivers from death.

The righteousness or salvation is more than all riches or everything in the world.

Do not let the salvation or righteousness go away because of looking for riches in false ways.

2. 'Draw some out now' = **the Gentiles are chosen by God for being sanctified.**

John 2:8

2:8 And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it.

It is the same as **the activity in the true teaching Word and Holy Communion** or perseverance and patience in committing the Bible Study Service with Holy Communion or the Table of Showbread.

Mark 7:20-23

7:20 *And He said, "What comes out of a man, that defiles a man.*

7:21 *For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries(1), fornications(2), murders(3),*

7:22 *thefts(4), covetousness(5), wickedness(6), deceit(7), lewdness(8), an evil eye(9), blasphemy(10), pride(11), foolishness(12).*

7:23 *All these evil things come from within and defile a man.'*

As a result, we get the sanctification by the sword of the Word that is able to sanctify up to the deep heart and mind which are controlled by the twelve evil and unclean lusts or Babylon, so they can be filled by the twelve loaves which are set in two rows, six in a row (sixty six books in the Bible or the true teaching Word). It continues until the Word is ingrained in our life through the Holy Communion, so our deeds, words, and whole life are sanctified by God.

Exodus 29:1

29:1 *"And this is what you shall do to them to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests: Take one young bull and two rams without blemish,*

Being drawn out means that we are chosen and sanctified to be appointed as the priests and kings and equipped with the ministry and gifts of Holy Spirit . The only activity in the world that has no retirement is being the priests and kings. It reaches the heavenly kingdom.

1 Peter 2:5,9-10

2:5 *you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

2:9 *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*

2:10 *who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.*

The Gentiles can be chosen to be the priests and kings only because of the mercy of God that costs the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. Thus, the price of our priesthood is the sacrifice of Christ on the cross that cannot be bought or traded by anything.

The duties of priests are as follows:

- Testifying for glorifying God about what He has done in life spiritually through the work of the sword of the Word that sanctifies and changes. It is also about the physical life that has been helped by God in economy, disease, and so on. Not testifying, one will gossip for sure.
- Being used in the edification of the spiritual house or the ministry for edifying the body of Christ according to the ministry and gifts of Holy Spirit which God has entrusted or the tunic of many colors. It begins from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, and so on.

All things will be beautiful and successful in time of need.

3. Tasting = the activity in the love of God.**John 2:9-10**

2:9 *When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom.*

2:10 *And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!"*

It is the same as the perseverance and patience in the Prayer Service or the Golden Altar of Incense.

In the worship prayer which is added with fasting prayer and all night-long prayer, we can taste the wine of heaven, so we can experience the heavenly joy in the midst of sufferings.

We get the renewal from water to wine or the greatest miracle. It means as follows:

- The renewal of characteristics from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones.

Galatians 5:22-23

5:22 *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,*

5:23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

- The renewal of deeds from the sinful deeds to the righteous, holy, and good ones.
- The renewal of words from lying to honesty.

Matthew 15:25-28

15:25 Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!"

15:26 But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs."

15:27 And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table."

15:28 Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

The Gentile woman whose daughter was demon-possessed refers to having no peace, but distress, mental sickness, destruction in marriage and children, gloomy future life, impossibilities, spiritual death, and perdition.

The sweet words refer to justifying the Word and confessing sins or mistakes as well as crying out the name of Jesus.

As a result, miracle happens, namely the power of healing from physical and spiritual diseases. Impossible things become possible. The marriage and children are restored. There is beautiful successful future life up to perfection.

God blesses you.