

New Year Eve Service, December 31, 2018 (Monday Evening)

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

We still discuss Revelation 8:6-13, which is about the first four trumpets.

Revelation 8:6

8:6 So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

There are seven angels who had seven trumpets. It means that an angel had a trumpet or each angel was entrusted with the trumpet.

The angel refers to the pastor. The trumpet refers to the shepherding Word or the teaching Word which is entrusted by God to a pastor that he may deliver to the congregation faithfully, regularly, and repetitively to become the food for them and they can get the spiritual growth and be as perfect as Jesus is or worthy to welcome His second coming.

We are at the end of 2018 to move to 2019. What preparation must we do? Take heed to the blowing of the trumpet.

There are three opportunities of the blowing of the trumpet as follows.

1. The present blowing of the trumpet or the preaching of the Word to sanctify and change our life until we are perfect or to lead us to pass through the next 2019 until we enter the New Jerusalem or the last sheepfold.

Ezekiel 33:1-2

33:1 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

33:2 "Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: 'When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their watchman,

The preaching of the Word becomes a warning for the congregation so that they do not get the judgment of God over the world.

2. The next blowing of the trumpet in the book of Revelation (the seven trumpets) when Jesus will come a second time, namely the judgment of the Son of God to the world and the contents that reject the hard teaching Word or keep the sins.
3. The last blowing of the trumpet when Jesus comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

Matthew 24:31

24:31 "And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed--

15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

The following two things will happen.

- The people who were dead in Jesus or the ones who willingly heard the sound of the trumpet while they were alive to get the sanctification and renewal will be resurrected in the body of glory like Jesus when the last trumpet is blown.
- The people who are still alive until Jesus comes a second time and they hear the sound of the trumpet in their whole life will be changed in the twinkling of an eye to get the body of glory like Jesus when the last trumpet is blown.

Thus, our preparation to step to 2019 is taking heed to the shepherding Word or the sound of the trumpet seriously, so we get the sanctification and renewal. We do not get the judgment, but become as perfect as Jesus is and worthy to welcome His second coming.

What must be sanctified and changed?

1. **The first blowing of the trumpet or the first judgment of the Son of God to the world.**

Revelation 8:7

8:7 The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

The sign is the hail and fire, mingled with blood. Consequently, a third of the earth and trees as well as all green grass are burned up.

The hail refers to the crisis of love or the love's being cold.

The burning fire means the increasing lawlessness.

The flowing blood refers to the bloodshed of the righteous people.

The consequence of the crisis of love is the lawlessness as follows.

- In the marriage or household. It means the lawlessness to the other people.

Matthew 10:21

10:21 "Now brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death.

The quarrel, violence, sexual affairs, and the disobedience of children to the parents happen.

- In the service and ministry to God. It refers to the disobedience to God.

Hebrews 10:25-27

10:25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

10:26 For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

10:27 but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries.

It means being unfaithful and leaving the service and ministry to God. It starts from a habit until it becomes an intentional sin. Consequently, one is judged by the fire of the Lord.

The shepherding Word is able to lead us to enter the Holy Place or the sheepfold. It means that we persevere in doing the three main services to God as follows.

- The Golden Candlestick or the perseverance in doing the General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God in the anointing and gifts. It is the same as drinking.
- The Table of Showbread or the perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service with the Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God in the Word and the sacrifice of Christ. It is the same as eating.
- The Golden Altar of Incense or the perseverance in doing the Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God in the love. It is the same as breathing.

In the sheepfold, our body, soul, and spirit attach to the Trinity of God. We are like a baby who is embraced or hugged by the hands of the Good Shepherd, who has given His soul for us. We can feel and receive the love of God.

Thus, the disobedience must be renewed to become love through the shepherding. We can love other people like we love ourselves; even we can love our enemy. We can love God more than anything and be faithful and fervent in spirit in serving and ministering to Him until the end line.

As a result, we get the heavenly joy and sweetness. It is like a branch that attaches to the true Vine. Sooner or later, it will yield sweet fruits for sure.

1 Timothy 4:8

4:8 For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

God gives the guarantee of life assurance from now on in the world up to the eternal life.

2. The second blowing of the trumpet or the second judgment of the Son of God to the world.

Revelation 8:8-9

8:8 Then the second angel sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood.

8:9 And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

The sign is that a great mountain burning with fire is thrown into the sea.

Spiritually, the great mountain refers to the increasing sins up to the peak, namely the sins of Babylon or the ones of eating-dinking such as smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse, as well as the ones concerning marrying-being given in marriage or fornication between a man and a woman who are not legal spouse, homosexuality, lesbianism, mixed-marriage, and divorce-remarrying which are encouraged by the fire of the fleshly lusts.

Revelation 17:1,5,15

17:1 Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters,

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.

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

The waters refer to the Gentiles whom the woman of Babylon wants to rule over to become the bride of Satan, who will be destroyed like the Samaritan woman who has done the divorce-remarrying for five times.

Consequently, a third of the sea becomes blood. It means dissatisfaction, spiritual and physical sufferings, up to the spiritual death or enjoying in sins.

As long as we still hear the sound of the trumpet or the shepherding Word, it is still able to sanctify and change us from sinning in the sins of Babylon to living in righteousness and holiness.

Thus, sinning in the sins of Babylon must be changed into living in righteousness and holiness.

As a result, we are equipped with the ministry and gifts or the beautiful tunic.

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,

We are used in the revival of Holy Spirit at the later rain or the edifying of the body of Christ.

Being unholy or having the sins of uncleanness and evil is the same as destroying the body of Christ and building the Babylon.

If we are holy, we are used in the ministry for the edification of the body of Christ and our life becomes beautiful. We are satisfied and always give thanks to God. We do not look for the other satisfaction in the world which brings men to sins and the worldly satisfaction is not brought to the church.

3. The third blowing of the trumpet or the third judgment of the Son of God to the world.

Revelation 8:10-11

8:10 Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water.

8:11 The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

The sign is that a great star falls from heaven and a third of the waters become bitter.

The great star refers to one who is specially used by God, anointed by Holy Spirit, and used in the edification of the body of Christ, starting from the marriage, shepherding, and inter-shepherding.

If he has envy and hatred without a cause, he will die spiritually and lose the anointing of Holy Spirit. His mouth gets 'dry' by gossiping, slandering, blaspheming God, as well as threatening, laying aside others, and killing like the antichrist to enter the massacre.

If we willingly hear the sound of the trumpet or the shepherding Word, it is able to sanctify and change us from the wormwood or bitterness to peacethrough confessing and forgiving one another.

Matthew 11:28-30

11:28 "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

11:29 "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

11:30 "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

All things become easy and light and we keep faithful and fervent in spirit in the edifying of the body of Christ. It starts from the marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the end line, namely we become the bright and morning star like Jesus.

4. **The fourth blowing of the trumpet or the fourth judgment of the Son of God to the world.**

Revelation 8:12

8:12 Then the fourth angel sounded: And a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night.

The sign is that a third of the sun, moon, and stars become dark.
It means living in the darkness, not in the light, or there is no honesty.

John 11:10

11:10 "But if one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him."

The fact found in it is easily stumbling, getting angry, and being the stumbling-block.
'*the light is not in him*' means that one cannot testify, has no bright future, and faces impossible problems up to the darkest darkness in the hell.

If we are still able to hear the sound of the trumpet, the shepherding Word will lead us to the sheepfold or we persevere in doing the three main services to God as follows.

- The Golden Candlestick or the perseverance in doing the General Service to get the fellowship with Holy Spirit God and the light of the stars.
- The Table of Showbread or the perseverance in doing the Bible Study Service with the Holy Communion to get the fellowship with the Son of God and the light of the moon.
- The Golden Altar of Incense or the perseverance in doing the Prayer Service to get the fellowship with Father God or the light of the sun.

As a result, we can be the light or witness of God. It begins from the household, in front of other people, until we become the light of the world like Jesus.

Revelation 12:1-3

12:1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars.

12:2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.

12:3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads.

The church that has been the light of the world is weak and powerless like a woman who will give birth, facing a dragon which causes crises in all aspects. The thing we can do is only crying out in labor and in pain or surrendering and crying out to God. God will stretch out His hands to us.

Romans 8:22-23

8:22 For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

8:23 Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.

We will get the deliverance or redemption and the continuous sanctification and renewal from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones, namely being honest and believing God.

The physical deliverance or miracles will also happen. **2019 is the year of deliverance or Jubilee.** We will get the things which have been lost, especially the younger son who was lost in the field of swine. The lost things are found, the dead can be made alive, the destroyed things can be restored, the stench can be made fragrant, the failed things can be made successful and beautiful, the sick people can be healed, and the impossible things can be made possible.

Jesus has born everything on the cross, so we can be the new men.

It continues until the last trumpet is sounded that we are changed to be perfect as the bride who is ready to welcome Jesus'

second coming.

God blesses you.