

Prayer Service in Malang, April 07, 2020 (Tuesday Evening)

To Coincide with Fasting Prayer Service Session III

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

Revelation 11:4

11:4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth.

The two witnesses are Moses and Elijah. They represent the two olive trees which have connection with the anointing oil of Holy Spirit.

The two witnesses are also the two lampstands or the Golden Candlestick. It has connection with the light of testimony. Thus, the Holy Spirit cannot be separated from the light of testimony.

The power of Holy Spirit is the power to testify. It is like the anointing oil that makes the lamp keep on burning until Jesus comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

Now we learn about the lampstand or the Golden Candlestick.

Exodus 25:31-32

25:31 " You shall also make a lampstand of pure gold; the lampstand shall be of hammered work. Its shaft, its branches, its bowls, its ornamental knobs, and flowers shall be of one piece.

25:32 "And six branches shall come out of its sides: three branches of the lampstand out of one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side.

The lampstand or the Golden Candlestick consists of three parts in order to burn, as follows:

1. The base.
2. The shaft.
3. The branches.

The condition for the burning lamp or being the witness of God is having the base. It refers to the standpoint or the foundation of the church of God.

Ephesians 2:19-20

2:19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

2:20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,

There are two kinds of the base or foundation of the church of God as follows:

1. The apostles and prophets = the Bible, the true teaching word, the word of God that is revealed through a verse that explains another verse in the Bible.
The apostles refer to the New Testament.
The prophets refer to the Old Testament.
2. Jesus Christ as the chief cornerstone is the sacrifice of Christ on the cross.

Thus, the base or foundation of the church of God is the true teaching Word and the sacrifice of Christ on the cross. We get those things from the Bible Study Service and the Holy Communion. That is why; the church of God must have the Bible Study Service and the Holy Communion to build the base. Or else, the church of God will not have the base.

We receive the teaching word and the sacrifice of Christ not only from the Bible Study Service, but also from the right fasting prayer.

Matthew 6:17

6:17 "But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face,

The signs of the true fasting prayer are as follows:

1. '*anoint your head and wash your face*'
The head refers to our mind. The term 'anoint' refers to Holy Spirit. Our mind is anointed by Holy Spirit.

The face refers to our heart.

'wash your face' refers to the heart that is sanctified by the water of the word of God.

Thus, the right fasting is giving the big opportunity to the word of God in the anointing of Holy Spirit, the word that is revealed, or the true teaching word to purify our heart and mind.

2. Neither eating nor drinking means the flesh suffering without sin because of Jesus. It is the sign of sacrificing.

Thus, in fasting prayer, there are the teaching word and the sacrifice of Christ.

This is the base to build the church of God.

The true teaching word and the sacrifice of Christ through the Bible Study Service and the Holy Communion and the fasting prayer are able to purify us in double way, namely in physical and spiritual life or the whole life, as follows:

1. It starts from the purification of heart and mind.

The heart and mind are sanctified from the will of evil, so we feel more blessed to give than to receive. They are also sanctified from the will of uncleanness and bitterness.

As a result, we get the pure and holy heart.

2. The purification from the sins up to the peak, that is the sin of eating-drinking (smoking, getting drunk, and drugs abuse), and marrying-being given in marriage (the false marriage, mixed-marriage, divorce-remarrying), so it results in the right, holy, and good deeds until repaying the evil with kindness.

3. Purification from the meaningless words, gossip, slander, and blasphemy, to become the right, holy, and good saying.

Psalm 24:3-4

24:3 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place?

24:4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully.

'clean hands' refers to the holy deed.

'a pure heart' refers to the holy heart.

'Nor sworn deceitfully' refers to the holy saying.

If we are purified, we may ascend into the hill of God to pray and worship Him.

The function of worship prayer, including the fasting prayer and all night-long prayer, are as follows:

1. Facing the land that is controlled by the false prophets with the false teachings. Jesus chose His disciples on land, not in the air or sea.

Luke 6:12-16

6:12 Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.

6:13 And when it was day, He called His disciples to Himself; and from them He chose twelve whom He also named apostles:

6:14 Simon, whom He also named Peter, and Andrew his brother; James and John; Philip and Bartholomew;

6:15 Matthew and Thomas; James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon called the Zealot;

6:16 Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot who also became a traitor.

Through worship prayer, we experience the power of God that calls (saves and justifies us), elects (purifies us), lifts us up to become priests and kings or gives us the ministry.

The power of God establishes the call and election for us, so we will not betray Him.

It means that we always become the priests and kings who minister to God with faithfulness, righteousness, and holiness until the end line (until we die or the second coming of Jesus), so we can be employed in the building of the perfect body of Christ and become the Bride of Heaven.

The power of God gives victory over the false prophets with the false teachings that make the priests and kings fall and become unfaithful.

Be careful with the unfaithfulness to God, others, and in marriage.

Betraying starts from unholiness and the thought of evil and unclean.

If we are not faithful, we will be employed by Babylon.

2. Facing the sea that is controlled by Antichrist with the power of mammon and physical things that make the waves and wind

on the sea of the world.

Matthew 14:23-33

14:23 And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there.

14:24 But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary.

14:25 Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea.

14:26 And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear.

14:27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."

14:28 And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water."

14:29 So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus.

14:30 But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!"

14:31 And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

14:32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

14:33 Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

The meanings are as follows:

- The temptation and problems in any aspects that are hard and impossible.
- The doubt, fear, and anxious heart for something in this world until one resists against God.

As a result, he sinks and cannot reach the peace harbor or the New Jerusalem. It means that he perishes forever.

Through the worship prayer, we receive the power of God that makes us silent and calm.

Being silent means doing the introspection in our life through the sharpness of the sword of the word. When we find sin, especially the doubt sin, we must confess to God and others. After being forgiven, do not sin anymore.

Being calm means controlling ourselves, so we will not put our hope to other things but God only. So, we can pray. We may have ability, but we count on God only.

Being calm and silent or repenting and praying is like stretching out our hands to God. We cry out and surrender to God. Then, He will stretch out His mercy hands to lift us up from the sinking.

The meanings are as follows:

- Lifting up from the sinking to be recovered.
- Lifting up from the total failure to become successful and beautiful in due time.

3. Facing the air or sky that is controlled by Satan with the spirit of evil, uncleanness and the sins up to the peak that cause us to lose the image of Trinity of God and become naked (being cursed and perishing).

Matthew 17:1-3

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.

17:3 And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him.

The term 'on the mountain' refers to the air or sky.

Psalms 24:3-5

24:3 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place?

24:4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully.

24:5 He shall receive blessing from the LORD, And righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Through worship prayer, we receive the power of God to freed us from the curse of sins. We experience the blessing rain from God in spiritual life, namely the word, Holy Spirit, and love that give us the satisfaction of heaven, so we will always give thanks. We will not search the satisfaction of the world that results in falling in sins.

We receive the physical blessing until we always give thanks, namely the blessing of house-hold, the happiness, and the unity of marriage. The house-hold becomes the house of prayer.

We also face the sky that is controlled by God when He comes a second time as the King of kings and the Bridegroom of

Heaven.

What do we need? We need the life renewal.

Through the worship prayer, we experience the power of God that renews us from carnal man to spiritual one like Jesus. Changing is the same as bearing the nine fruits of Spirit.

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.

'love, joy, peace, longsuffering' refer to the image of the Father God.

'longsuffering, kindness, goodness' refer to the image of the Son of God.

'faithfulness, gentleness, self-control' refer to the image of the Holy Spirit God.

We return to the image of the Trinity of God.

It is like having the mercy seat.

It means that we experience the power of protection from God. The death cannot touch us; even the doomsday and hell cannot touch us.

We are protected from anything in this world (sins, hatred, and the shaking), so we experience the peace, and calm. Everything becomes easy and light.

Returning to the image of the Trinity of God means that we return to the character of Jesus, that is obedience until the flesh does not speak anymore or the veil is ripped. We return to the atmosphere of Paradise.

If we disobey God, our right pastor, and parents, we will experience the curse forever and lose Paradise.

We return to the image of the Trinity of God until we become perfect as Jesus is. We are worthy to greet His second coming on the glorious clouds. We enter the Marriage Supper of the Lamb of God, the One-Thousand-Years Kingdom of Peace (the upcoming Paradise) and the New Jerusalem.

God blesses us.