

Prayer Service in Malang, April 11, 2023 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 19:9

19:9. *Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."*

God is offering us the heavenly bliss as follows:

- The true happiness that cannot be influenced by anything in the world.
- The happiness in the marriage, household up to the spiritual marriage or the perfect one in God.
- The eternal happiness in heaven.

God gives the heavenly bliss through the things as follows:

1. The Bride Tidings.
2. The worship.
3. Jesus' death on the cross.
4. The building of the spiritual Tabernacle, namely the one of the perfect body of Christ.

Matthew 17:4

17:4. *Then Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, let us make here three tabernacles: one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."*

John 2:19-21

2:19. *Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."*

2:20. *Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?"*

2:21. *But He was speaking of the temple of His body.*

Jesus dies, so the building of the body of Christ happens.

If we are used in the ministry of the building of the perfect body of Christ, we will experience the heavenly bliss. The more we are used, the more we are happy up to the peak, namely the happiness in the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.

The ministry of the building of the body of Christ starts from marriage, shepherding, inter-shepherding until the Israelites and Gentiles become one perfect body of Christ.

God leaves the building of the physical temple of God and turns to the spiritual one, namely the one of the perfect body of Christ. Why?

1. The physical temple of God is full of the spirit of selling-buying, so it cannot receive the glory of God.
2. The Gentiles can enter it.

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The process of the building of the body of Christ is destroying. It means the renewing from the old to the new one or from the fleshly men to the spiritual ones like Jesus.

We are renewed through the things as follows:

1. **The true water baptism.**

1 Peter 3:20-21

3:20. *who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.*

3:21. *There is also an antitype which now saves us--baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,*

One who has died to sin or repented must be buried in the water with Jesus and come out or rise from water with Him, so the heavens are opened and Holy Spirit descends. We receive the new life, namely the obedient heart until the flesh does

not speak anymore.

2. The true teaching Word.

1 Peter 1:22-23

1:22. Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1:23. having been born again, not of corruptible seed but incorruptible, through the word of God which lives and abides forever,

If we obey the true teaching Word, we will experience the purification and renewal.

We must be purified from the spirit of selling-buying or the one of the Antichrist, namely greediness and stinginess.

Stinginess means that one cannot give for the working of God and others who are in need.

Greediness means that one steals the possession of God, namely the tithe and special offerings.

If we are purified, we will feel more blessed to give than to receive. We can return the tithe and special offerings that belong to God. We can give to others who are in need. It means loving others fervently with a pure heart.

What must be renewed?

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The forty-six refers to the Law system.

The worship in the Law system is the habitual ministry, so one becomes lukewarm, unfaithful, and bored. It must be changed to become the worship in the mercy system.

The forty-six refers to the pride of the physical things, so one ignores the spiritual ones such as ministry and the true teaching Word. Consequently, his life is never changed. He also sacrifices the spiritual thing, namely he becomes unfaithful; even he leaves the ministry. He keeps becoming the flesh and blood man with the eighteen attitudes of flesh, so he is marked with the triple six by the Antichrist.

It must be changed, so we can humble ourselves as low as we can before God. We just depend on God's mercy, so we do not doubt to sacrifice the physical thing to get the spiritual one.

Four plus six equals to ten, namely the ten spies.

Numbers 13:27-28

13:27. Then they told him, and said: "We went to the land where you sent us. It truly flows with milk and honey, and this is its fruit.

13:28. "Nevertheless the people who dwell in the land are strong; the cities are fortified and very large; moreover we saw the descendants of Anak there.

The ten spies raised the problem more than the Word of God, so they grumbled. Consequently, they become carcass in the wilderness.

It must be changed to become strong and of good courage.

2 Corinthians 5:1,6-7

5:1. For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

5:6. So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord.

5:7. For we walk by faith, not by sight.

We can totally trust and commit ourselves to God, and He will remember, care, and struggle for us.

The results are as follows:

- God finishes all of impossible problems.

1 Chronicles 28:20

28:20. And David said to his son Solomon, "Be strong and of good courage, and do it; do not fear nor be dismayed, for the LORD God--my God--will be with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

- God makes all things good.

1 Chronicles 19:13

19:13. "Be of good courage, and let us be strong for our people and for the cities of our God. And may the LORD do what is good in His sight."

The thing that has been destroyed or broken can be good. Failure becomes success and beauty in due time.

- It continues until the building of the body of Christ is finished.

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We are changed to become perfect, so we are worthy to greet Jesus when He comes a second time on the glorious clouds.

God blesses us.