

Prayer Service in Malang, August 24, 2017 (Thursday Evening)

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

Psalms 95:6

95:6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

We kneel before the Lord our Maker in worship prayer. The worship prayer brings our life which is only like the clay to the hand of the Maker. How great a man in the world is, he is only like clay pot which is fragile. It means easily being disappointed, hopeless, and proud. Moreover, men easily fall in sin up to the peak and perish forever.

2 Corinthians 4:3-4, 7-9

4:3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

4:4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

4:8 We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

4:9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed--

As the solution, the clay vessel must be filled by the heavenly treasure, namely the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, the teaching Word which is sharper than any two-edged sword, or the Bride Tidings. We get it through hearing the teaching Word in the anointing of Holy Spirit until we can understand and believe it. It becomes the true faith in our heart and we can endure. We are not crushed or destroyed.

1 Peter 1:6-7

1:6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials,

1:7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

Having the true faith, we still have to get the test of faith so that the true faith can be increased to be the pure or permanent one which cannot be moved by anything. Such faith cannot fall.

Mark 3:7-10

3:7 But Jesus withdrew with His disciples to the sea. And a great multitude from Galilee followed Him, and from Judea

3:8 and Jerusalem and Idumea and beyond the Jordan; and those from Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they heard how many things He was doing, came to Him.

3:9 So He told His disciples that a small boat should be kept ready for Him because of the multitude, lest they should crush Him.

3:10 For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him.

The facts found in the pure or permanent faith are as follows.

1. It is able to bring us to Jesus.

It is able to make us faithful in serving and ministering to God without being hindered by anything.

2 Timothy 3:12

3:12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

2. It is able to bring us to the unity of the perfect body of Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:10

1:10 Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

The key of the unity in Christ's body starts from being perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment. It means that we have one table to be filled by one true teaching Word. The unity of the body of Christ starts from the marriage or household, shepherding, inter-shepherding, up to the one perfect body of Christ between the Gentiles and the house of Israel.

3. It is able to encourage us to submit our life only to God.

Mark 3:9

3:9 So He told His disciples that a small boat should be kept ready for Him because of the multitude, lest they should crush Him.

We bring our life which is like a small boat to God that He may be the Head in our life.

The requirement is our holiness. The teaching Word actively sanctifies us, especially from the foxes and birds.

The foxes refer to evil spirits or the love of money that causes stinginess and greediness. The stinginess means that one cannot give to the work of God and other people who are in need. The greediness refers to stealing the possession of others, especially the tithes and offerings that belong to God.

The birds refer to unclean spirits that cause the sins concerning eating- drinking and marrying-being given in marriage.

4. **It is able to make us touch Jesus.**

Mark 3:10

3:10 For He healed many, so that as many as had afflictions pressed about Him to touch Him.

It is the same as being obedient until the flesh does not speak anymore and we can fully believe and entrust our life to God. As a result, God will stretch out the hands of His love and mercy to perform the miracle for us.

The spiritual miracle happens that the clay is formed to be the vessel of God's glory, namely we are used to glorify Him.

The physical miracle will also happen, namely the healing from diseases and the solution of all problems. The things which have not existed yet can be created. Impossible things can be made possible.

The steps of our life are in miracles up to the last one that we are changed to be as perfect as Jesus is when He comes a second time. We are with Him forever.

God blesses you.