

Prayer Service in Malang, January 26, 2016 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 3:18-19

3:18. "I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see.

3:19. "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent.

God rebukes, advises, and chastens the church of the Laodiceans (the church of the last days) to buy the heavenly treasure, so they may be rich spiritually. They are not spiritually lukewarm.

There are **three kinds of the heavenly treasure** as follows: gold (the faith), white garments (the ministry), and eye salve (the anointing of Holy Spirit).

Matthew 6:19-20

6:19. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal;

6:20. "but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.

Be alert! There are **three enemies** that target the heavenly treasure as follows:

1. The moth. It destroys white garments, namely wickedness and laziness.
2. The rust. It destroys the metal.
3. The thieves who steal the anointing oil.

We still learn the second one.

Exodus 25:3

25:3. "And this is the offering which you shall take from them: gold, silver, and bronze;

The metal that is used to build physical Tabernacle is gold, silver, and bronze.

Now, spiritual metal is used for the building of spiritual house, namely the body of Christ.

The usefulness of bronze is as follows:

1. For making the Altar of Burnt Offerings [Exodus 27:1-2]. Now, it means **repentance**. After experiencing the forgiveness of our sins, we must stop sinning and return to God. It is the same as being dead to sin.

Jeremiah 9:5

9:5. Everyone will deceive his neighbor, And will not speak the truth; They have taught their tongue to speak lies; They weary themselves to commit iniquity.

The beginning of repentance is discarding the lie and speaking the honesty, truth, and good things. It is the same as the bronze that does not rust.

2. For making the Brazen Laver [Exodus 38:8]. Now, it refers to **water baptism**.

Matthew 3:7-9

3:7. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"

3:8. "Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance,

3:9. "and do not think to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

The children of Abraham can be the brood of viper if they harden their hearts and follow their flesh desires.

The stone refers to stiff-necked Gentiles or the brood of viper.

But through water baptism, the Gentiles can experience the renewal to become the children of Abraham spiritually.

Galatians 3:7

3:7. Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham.

The sons of Abraham are those who are of **faith and truth**.

It is the same as the bronze that does not rust.

3. For making the pillars of the court of Tabernacle.
There are sixty pillars of the court of Tabernacle.

In Luke 3:23-34, there are fifty-six pillars of faith or the heroes of faith, starting from Abraham to Joseph, Jesus' father.

It is added with four pillars of the gate. They refer to four gospels, namely the ones according to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

Luke is a Gentile, the son of Abraham spiritually.

Song of Solomon 3:7-8

3:7. Behold, it is Solomon's couch, With sixty valiant men around it, Of the valiant of Israel.

3:8. They all hold swords, Being expert in war. Every man has his sword on his thigh Because of fear in the night.

The fear of the night refers to the state of the last days, namely in the darkness, difficulty, wickedness, uncleanness, fear, deception, *et cetera*.

We must be the pillar of faith or the hero of faith with two powers as follows:

- The sword on our thigh. It means we hold-fast and obey the true teaching word.

Hosea 11:4

11:4. I drew them with gentle cords, With bands of love, And I was to them as those who take the yoke from their neck. I stooped and fed them.

God stoops means He appreciates when the word is preached.

We must also appreciate the moments of the preaching of the word that is sharper than any two-edged sword.

If we do not appreciate the preaching of the word, we will bend spiritually. Our life has many questions that are never finished until being stamped by antichrist.

The preaching of the true teaching word is the stretching of God's merciful hand to us.

If we can hear and obey the word and be purified or we stretch out our hand to God, we will live in His merciful hand and become the apple of His eye.

Genesis 39:21, 23

39:21. But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him mercy, and He gave him favor in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

39:23. The keeper of the prison did not look into anything that was under Joseph's authority, because the LORD was with him; and whatever he did, the LORD made it prosper.

The result is God's merciful hand is able to make everything successful and beautiful in due time though everything is limited in our life.

- Being expert in war. It is the same as perseverance in prayer or struggle prayer.

Song of Solomon 3:8

3:8. They all hold swords, Being expert in war. Every man has his sword on his thigh Because of fear in the night.

Genesis 32:24, 28

32:24. Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day.

32:28. And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."

The example is Jacob. He struggled against the death, fear, problem of his family, *et cetera*, until he felt that he was left alone.

We only trust and hope God.

So we will meet Jesus who was alone on the cross.

Psalms 136:4

136:4. To Him who alone does great wonders, For His mercy endures forever;

God Himself will stretch out His hand to do great wonders for us.

The results are as follows:

- a. God's merciful hand is able to take care of and protect us miraculously.
- b. God's merciful hand is able to finish all of our problems until the impossible ones although we are powerless.
- c. God's merciful hand is able to change our life. The fear, doubt, anxiety, and stress become peace.
- d. God's merciful hand is able to unite our family in one true teaching word and save our marriage and children up to perfection and we enter the marriage supper of the Lamb.

- e. God's merciful hand is able to renew our life from carnal men to spiritual ones like Jesus.
Starting from Jacob (the meaning is a liar) becomes Israel (the meaning is the winner).
We struggle up to receive the new name and sit with God on the throne of the kingdom of heaven.

God blesses us.