

Prayer Service in Malang, May 24, 2018 (Thursday Evening)

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

Revelation 7:9

7:9 *After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,*

The condition to enter the throne of heaven is holding palm branch in hand.

The palm branch in the Old Testament refers to the branches of palm tree.

Leviticus 23:34, 40, 42

23:34 *"Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days to the LORD.*

23:40 *'And you shall take for yourselves on the first day the fruit of beautiful trees, branches of palm trees, the boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days.*

23:42 *'You shall dwell in booths for seven days. All who are native Israelites shall dwell in booths,*

It is about the Feast of Tabernacles. The meaning is as follows:

1. Entering the booths refers to humbling our life in front of God and confessing that we are like the leaves that easily get withered and perish how great we are, so we will not be proud.
2. The booths will be destroyed. It refers to the renewal of our life from carnal man to spiritual one like Jesus. The carnal men are suitable to live in this world, but they cannot live in heaven. In order to be safe, we must remove to heaven and the worldly life must be destroyed.

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

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.*

5:2 *For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven,*

5:3 *if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked.*

5:4 *For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.*

5:5 *Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.*

A lot of servants of God want to wear the new clothes but they keep the old ones. The result is that their life is tormented.

It happens because the reasons are as follows:

- Their ministry is false. They refuse the cross and the sword of the Word. They prioritize the earthly things such as the prosperity, success, and the happiness of the world. Thus, their lives never change.
- Their ministry is right or they prioritize the cross and the sword of the Word, but they refuse the power of ministry. Their hearts are hard like Judas. Thus, they never change.

Luke 12:15-21

12:15 *And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."*

12:16 *Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully.*

12:17 *"And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?'*

12:18 *"So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods.*

12:19 *'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."'*

12:20 *"But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?'*

12:21 *"So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."*

Such life is busy to pull down their barns. It is selfishness. The facts found in it are as follows:

- Leaving the ministry to look for the earthly things.
- Ministering God for the physical things.
- Being stingy and greedy.
Being stingy refers to one cannot give money, effort, time, *et cetera* to others and God.
Being greedy refers to one steals God's such as the tithe and the special offering and others'.

The place for humbling our life and experiencing the destruction of earthly tent is in the worship prayer.

The Feast of Tabernacles refers to the Golden Altar of Incense or the Worship Prayer.

It starts from private, family, congregation prayer, up to the Feast of Tabernacles or the Marriage Supper of the Lamb of God.

We see Jesus' face that is shining like the sun in worship prayer. We pour our heart to Jesus, so the destruction of old man to become the new one like Jesus can happen.

Ephesians 4:24-25

4:24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

4:25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another.

The destruction or the renewal of life starts from mouth's stopping lying, but it says right and good words and it becomes blessing for others. Not lying refers to honesty up to being blameless in words. We become perfect like Jesus. We reach the quality of the Bride and become the perfect body of Christ.

Revelation 14:1-5

14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.

14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

14:3 They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.

14:4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb.

14:5 And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

The honesty starts from the true teaching Word up to practicing it. It continues in finance, marriage, and everything. We can confess all mistakes, weakness, and sins. We confess honestly that we are dust and fall at God's feet. We admit that we are unworthy, incapable, and worthless, and we deserve to be trampled. Thus, when we are trampled, we can be silent.

Genesis 2:7

2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

The life like the dust is in the hands of the Creator. In order to live, the dust needs to be breathed by Holy Spirit. We cannot do anything without Holy Spirit. That is why we need Him.

The functions of Holy Spirit are as follows:

1. **Giving peace.** Everything becomes easy and light, so we can be employed by God in the building of the perfect body of Christ.

John 20:21-22

20:21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you."

20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

In order to be sent by God, our heart must be peaceful. It means that we throw all the bitterness, evil, and uncleanness. Let us be watchful. If we are not employed in the building of the perfect body of Christ, we will be employed in the building of body of Babylon.

2. **Pouring the love of God, so we become strong and of good courage.** We are not disappointed or desperate and do not leave God. We are faithful and fervent in ministry until the end line. We believe, hope, and worship God. We surrender and cry out to God. We stretch out our hands to God and He stretches out His hands towards us to make miracle.

Romans 5:5

5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

3. Renewing our life until we are worthy to enter the Feast of, the Future Paradise, and the throne of heaven.

Titus 3:5

3:5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

The life renewal that makes us honest and obedient is a spiritual miracle. If the spiritual miracle happens, the physical one will happen. God makes something that does not exist yet and the impossible problems become possible. We enter the steps of miracle.

It continues until the last miracle, namely we are changed to become perfect as God is. We are worthy to enter the Feast of Tabernacles or the Marriage Supper of the Lamb of God, and the future Paradise until we stand together before the throne of heaven.

We pray and wait for the time we reach the throne of heaven together with God forever.

God blesses us.