

Prayer Service in Malang, November 22, 2016 (Tuesday Evening)

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

Revelation 4:8a

4:8 The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within....

Each of the four living creatures has six wings. The six wings refer to three pairs of wing or three shadows of God's wings, as follows:

1. The shadow of hen's wings.
2. The shadow of dove's wings.
3. The shadow of eagle's wings.

The church of God must experience the three kinds of shadow of God's wings until we are lifted up to heaven.

We learn the first point, namely the shadow of hen's wings.

Luke 13:34

13:34 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, but you were not willing!"

How great a man is, in the world he is like a brood that is powerless to look for the necessity of life and face the enemies. The basic need of brood is the shadow of hen's wings.

We get the shadow of the wing of God in shepherding and the true fellowship of the body of Christ that has the true vine or the persona of Jesus (the true teaching Word).

But a lot of people have hard heart and they do not want to be shepherded so they will perish like Judas. **The facts found in having hard heart** are as follows:

1. **One hears the true teaching Word but he does not obey it.**

Isaiah 2:2-3

2:2 Now it shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it.

2:3 Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, and we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Jerusalem refers to the servant of God that has the true teaching Word but the practice is not according to the true teaching Word.

James 1:22

1:22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

It means deceiving ourselves. It also means that one does not want to confess the sin but he keeps it or the self-interest.

1 John 1:8

1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

2. **Hatred without a cause, evil speaking, and hindering the servant of God to preach the true teaching.**

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3. **Criticizing and refusing the true teaching Word.**
4. **Refusing until one cannot be shepherded anymore.**

Luke 13:35a

13:35 See! Your house is left to you desolate; ...

The result is being dry spiritually, his life is empty, and he never feels satisfied.

Matthew 12:43-45

12:43 "When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none.

12:44 Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order.

12:45 Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation."

Then, he will be possessed by seven unclean spirits and the condition is worse than the first.

The solution is we must stay in the shadows of the wings of God; we must have the meek heart through 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,

The true water baptism means that one who has died from sin or repented must be buried in water to receive the new life, the heavenly one, namely the meek heart.

James 1:21

1:21 Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

The facts found in the meek heart are as follows:

1. One can hear and receive the true teaching Word solemnly, until he understands (the Word is written on forehead), believes, and has faith in it (It is written in heart and becomes faith). If heart believes, mouth can confess the sin to God and others. If we are forgiven, do not sin anymore. We live in righteousness or we are saved and blessed by God.
2. One can practice and obey the true teaching Word.

We are shepherded well. We are like the broods under the shadow of hen's wings. Obedience is same as stretching out our hands to God. Then, God stretches out His lovingkindness hands towards us.

Isaiah 54:5-10

54:5 For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is His name; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth.

54:6 For the Lord has called you like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, like a youthful wife when you were refused," says your God.

54:7 "For a mere moment I have forsaken you, but with great mercies I will gather you.

54:8 With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; but with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you," says the Lord, your Redeemer.

54:9 "For this is like the waters of Noah to Me; for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah would no longer cover the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be angry with you, nor rebuke you.

54:10 For the mountains shall depart and the hills be removed, but My kindness shall not depart from you, nor shall My covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has mercy on you.

The meaning is that God always remembers, watches, cares, understands, and fights for us.

The results are as follows:

1. The lovingkindness hands of God are able to care us who are powerless in the midst of crises in the world until the days of Antichrist.
2. The lovingkindness hands of God are able to protect us from disaster and punishment, so we can live in peace. All things become easy and light.
3. The lovingkindness hands of God are able to make miracle and change our life from carnal man to spiritual one. It starts from being strong and of good courage; also we may not be shaken. We keep on holding fast the true teaching Word and living in righteousness. We keep faithful and fervent in ministry and worship God.

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.

The physical miracle happens. The lovingkindness hands of God are able to finish all problems until He makes everything beautiful in due time.

God changes us to become His bride that is ready to greet the second coming of Jesus on the glorious clouds until we are lifted up to heaven like the four living creatures.

God blesses us.