

Prayer Service in Malang, November 09, 2010 (Tuesday Evening)

To coincide with fast praying session III

Matthew 25:31-32

25:31. *"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.*

25:32. *"All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.*

On Jesus' second coming, He appears in 2 appearances:

1. As King of kings who rules and reigns on the throne of glory.
2. As Chief Shepherd for being exemplified.

1 Peter 5:3

5:3. *nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being example to the flock;*

Shepherding system = system of giving example.

Let us as shepherded life be example anywhere, at home, at church, etc.

Matthew 4:1-2

4:1. Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

4:2. *And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry.*

One of Jesus' examples was **fasting**. Jesus fasted 40 days and 40 nights.

Number 40= the tearing of flesh.

In fasting, Jesus has the tearing of flesh, that He could be obedient to God's will.

Jesus was tempted three times by satan. It refers to temptation about body, soul and spirit. Jesus always answered 'It is written'= always returning to God's will= **always being obedient to God's will**. And the result was Jesus won. Stepping out of the Word of God in facing temptation, one will certainly lose.

Philippians 2:8

2:8. *And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.*

Top of Jesus' obedience was He died on the cross, and the veil was torn.

Now, we must imitate God. We must fast for having tearing of flesh with all its wills.

James 1:13-15

1:13. *Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.*

1:14. *But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed.*

1:15. *Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.*

The lust of the flesh entices human, so it looks better than the Word of God. If the lust of the flesh has enticed, it will drag one to go out of God's will. On that moment, that life falls into temptation.

Through fasting and praying, we experience the tearing of flesh with all its wills and its lusts, so we can be obedient to God's will. The top is being obedient until our flesh does not sound anymore.

John 14:15-17

14:15. *"If you love Me, keep My commandments.*

14:16. *"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever--*

14:17. *"the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.*

If we obey until our flesh does not sound anymore, we could obey WHOLE God's will.

If flesh is killed off, Holy Spirit will come. Disobedient people will never have the anointing of Holy Spirit.

Usefulness of Holy Spirit as follows:

1. Holy Spirit = righteous spirit who leads us to right life according to true teaching Word.

God will never leave us although we live in the desert as long as we live in the righteousness, seeing that tabernacle was in the middle of the desert, and our life will be enclosed by God.

Psalm 5:13

5:13. For You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as with a shield.

We will experience serenity and peacefulness from God in the drying world.

2. Holy Spirit = helper spirit, who is able to help us from all problems until the impossible one.
3. Holy Spirit = Spirit of glory.

1 Peter 4:12-14

4:12. Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you;

4:13. but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

4:14. If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

Spirit of glory will change us from flesh human to become spiritual human like Jesus, starting from being strong and of good courage and not being disappointed, keeping on holding tight to true teaching Word, and obeying the true teaching Word in encountering anything.

And the results are:

- Having Heavenly joy
Stepping out of the true teaching Word in facing troubles results in unhappiness.

When Jesus had been tempted to change stones to become bread, maybe it looks suitable for flesh, but not suitable with the Word of God. Although Jesus didn't eat, He was joyful because it is suitable to the Word of God.

- We just wait God's time, so He will make all things good.

2 Samuel 10:12

10:12. "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."

He who doesn't follow the Word of God just waits God's time. Good thing will become bad and the bad one will become broken.

On the other hand, God is able to make all things good in His time for he who obeys His Word although other people consider him a fool.

- God makes all things perfect, as glorious as Him, we become the bride who are ready to be lifted to gorgeous clouds with God, until to the throne of glory.

1 Thessalonians 3:13

3:13. so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

God blesses us.