《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

故事的精髓 第一部分 THE POINT OF THE STORY - Part 1

<u>外表能骗人 Appearances Can Be Deceiving</u> 马太福音13:24-30、36-43 Matthew 13:24-30、36-43

- 1. Welcome our friends to this new broadcast. 亲爱的朋友,欢迎你收听我们新的系列的广播节目。
- 2. We are beginning a series of messages on the parables of Jesus. 我们要开始新一系列的信息,是关于耶稣所说的比喻。
- 3. Each story has a specific point that Jesus wanted to make. 每个故事都有一个耶稣想要阐明的精髓要点。
- 4. And today, I am going to begin with a parable found in the gospel of Matthew chapter 13. 今天我们要来看,马太福音第13章的一个比喻。
- And we call this series of messages "The Point of the Story".
 而我们也会把这系列称为"故事的精髓"。
- 6. And this particular parable in Matthew 13 is a parable of the sower.马太福音中的这个比喻是撒种的比喻。
- 7. In this particular parable, it will be easy for us to understand because Jesus not only telling us the parable but he tells us its meaning. 这个比喻比较容易理解,因为耶稣不仅仅告诉我们比喻,也把意义解释给我们听。
- 8. I want to challenge you to read ahead Matthew chapter 13 verses 24 to 30. 我想请你先读一读马太福音13: 24-30。
- 9. Because I am going to challenge you to do some rethinking. 我想请你重新思想这段经文。
- 10. Because you will hear some things you may never have heard before, 因为你会听到一些也许你从未听过的信息,
- 11. So I want you to be prepared. 盼望你能预备好你的心。

- 12. The Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest preacher that has ever lived, 主耶稣基督,是有史以来最伟大的传道者,
- 13. taught by telling stories ... or riddles ... or illustrations. 却通过讲故事,说比喻,打比方来教导人。
- 14. Why? 为甚么?
- 15. Because what stories do is help to bring the theory into practice.
 因为故事能把理论变为实践。
- 16. A story helps bring abstract ideas into real life. 故事可以把抽象的理论带入实际的生活。
- 17. A story helps to illustrate a distant thought and make it practical. 故事也可以解说抽象的思想, 使它成为现实。
- 18. And that is why Jesus taught with a story. 这就是耶稣要用故事来教导的原因。
- 19. Most of you who have been listening to me know that I seldom preach a message without telling you some sort of illustration or story in order that you might remember it. 如果你经常听我的节目,大部分人就会知道,为了让大家可以记住信息,我几乎从来不忘讲故事。
- 20. In Matthew 13, Jesus tells two groups of parables. 在马太福音第13章,耶稣讲了两组比喻。
- The first group of parables he tells to the large crowd.
 第一组是讲给一大群人听的,
- 22. And then he reserves its explanation for the disciples.但祂只解释给门徒听。

- 23. The second group of parables he only tells to the disciples alone. 第二组是单单讲给门徒听的,
- 24. because there are some things that only the disciples of Jesus Christ must know and must understand.因为这些事只能让门徒们知道并理解。
- 25. This is the parable that Jesus tells to the crowd, but he reserves the explanation of it to the disciples. 耶稣把这个比喻说给人群听,但却只对门徒解释其中的意义。
- 26. This parable is often referred to as the parable of the sower 这比喻通常被称为撒种的比喻。
- 27. But I want to refer to it as the parable of the soil 但我却想把它称为麦田的比喻。
- 28. Let's look at the story 让我们一起来看看这个故事:
- 29. A farmer who owns a piece of land ... 有个农夫拥有一片田地,
- 30. cultivates it and prepares the land for planting. 他在其上耕种,
- 31. He plows it, so that the seed can go into the soil. 他翻土是为了使种子能进入土壤中。
- 32. The next day ... he gets up early in the morning and all day long he sows wheat. 第二天,他很早就起来,整天都在播撒麦种。
- 33. This was not a machine going around tilling hundred of acres in one day and automatically sowing seeds. 这一点儿都不像现代人以机器挖土撒种,一天就可以播种几百亩田地。
- 34. This was all done on foot. 而是全靠双脚踩出来的。
- 35. He keeps walking back and forth, with the seed in a pouch and spreads the seed, back and forth, all day long.
 他一边撒种,一边来来回回地踩踱田地,从早到晚走个不停。
- 36. At the end of the day he is totally exhausted and sleeps well at night.

 一天下来,他疲惫不堪,晚上自然十分好睡。
- 37. But then ... at night while the farmer and his workmen are resting. 然而,正当农夫和他的工人夜间休息的时候,

- 38. ... his enemy ... who hates him so much ... comes in and plants seed that look very much like wheat.

 他的仇人偷偷溜到田地,撒入了一些种子,
- 39. The seed looks exactly like the wheat. 这稗子看起来和麦子一模一样。
- 40. So if the farmer wakes up in the morning and starts looking around, even though the weed is there, he will no know it. 所以,当农夫早晨醒来四处查看时,也分辨不出种子的不同。
- 41. Several weeks later. . . as the wheat begins to green up. . . the hired hands discover what to them is a terrible disaster. 几周以后,麦田开始抽绿发芽,雇工们才发现呈现在他们面前的混乱。
- 42. Their first reaction is to go down to the field and start digging up the weed. 他们的第一个反应是,赶快到田里去拔出所有的稗子。
- 43. But the experienced ... and all wise ... land owner says; 但经验丰富,满有智慧的农场主人却说:
- 44. No ... let it alone, 不要拔它,让它长吧。
- 45. because in the harvest time it is going to be easier to separate the two. 因为收割时,更好辨认。
- 46. He tells them that if you start pulling out the weeds too early ... you may unintentionally pull out some of the wheat.
 他告诉他们,如果过早拔除稗子,有可能会误拔许多麦子。
- 47. I want you to focus with me here on five things in this particular story.
 在这个故事里,我想请你注意五件事。
- 48. Number one the field 第一,田地。
- 49. secondly, the two sowers 第二,两个撒种人。
- 50. thirdly, the two crops 第三,两种农作物。
- 51. fourthly, the two questions 第四,两个问题。
- 52. and fifthly, the two harvests 第五,两种收成。

- 53. First, let's focus on the field 首先,让我们来看看这块田地。
- 54. There are so many writers and commentators who thought that the field is the church. 有许多作家和解经家认为这田地是指教会,
- 55. they argued that the church is not supposed to be holy and righteous and pure.
 因此他们认为,教会原本就不是完全圣洁公义的地方。
- 56. They argue that the church ought to be a mixture of everybody, believers and non-believers. 他们认为,教会就是鱼目混杂,甚么人都有的地方。
- 57. Because the visible church, they say, is not the bride of Jesus Christ.因为他们说,有形的教会并不是基督的新妇。
- 58. This is terribly erroneous ... 这真是大错特错了。
- 59. not because I am saying it is erroneous ... 不是因为我说它错了,
- 60. but because Jesus, in v. 38 of Matthew 13, said so. 乃是因为耶稣早在马太福音13: 38中就说过了。
- 61. Let's read it. 我们一起来读。马太福音13: 38。
- 62. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, 田地预表世界,好种子代表天国之子,稗子就是那恶者之子。
- 63. The field therefore is the world ... Jesus did not say it is the church. 耶稣并没说田地代表教会,乃是指这个世界。
- 64. To be sure, in the church of Jesus Christ ... there are many Christians who are Christians in name only.

 当然,在基督耶稣的教会中,确实有一些挂名的基督徒。
- 65. In the church of Jesus Christ, there are many who believe that Jesus is the Savior of the world... but not their own personal Savior. 在基督耶稣的教会中,有些人相信耶稣是世界的教主,并不是他们自己的教主。

- 66. In the church of Jesus Christ, there are many who claim to be Christians, but they only are look alike Christians.
 在基督耶稣的教会中,有些人自称是基督徒,但却表里不一。
- 67. But that is not the point of the parable here. 不过,这并不是这个比喻的重点。
- 68. The field is bigger than the church. 田地所代表的,大过教会。
- 69. God owns the whole world ... 神拥有整个世界,
- 70. this is the message that Jesus is communicating. 这才是耶稣想要传达的信息。
- 71. The first point of the story is that His Father owns the world.

 因此故事的第一精髓要点就是,天父统管万有。
- 72. The earth is the Lords and the fullness thereof. 地和其上的一切都是属于主的,
- 73. The devil has no right to this world whatsoever. 魔鬼在这个世上没有任何权柄。
- 74. Satan tried and continues to try ... to usurp that right, but the devil has no rights 撒但穷凶极恶,拼命要夺权,但最终仍然毫无权柄。
- 75. He misleads many people into thinking that he does, but he doesn't. 他误导许多人认为他拥有权柄, 然而他没有。
- 76. But in fact the Bible says that the devil is the God of this world only as far as those who are under his dominion are concerned. 实际上,圣经中提到撒但是这世界的王,乃是指着那些自甘堕落,甘愿服在撒但势力下的人说的。
- 77. But this is God's world. 但这是上帝的世界,
- 78. He made it, 祂创造,
- 79. He put it together. 衪统管,
- 80. He owns it all. 祂拥有。
- 81. And one day he will demonstrate His ultimate power, and authority. 有一天,祂会彰显祂无比的能力和权柄。

- 82. One day He will demonstrate His ultimate ownership of this world when He comes back. 有一天当祂再回来的时候,祂就会彰显自己对这个世界的所有权。
- 83. Secondly, Jesus tells us about the two sowers. 第二,耶稣告诉了我们,两个撒种人。
- 84. He distinguishes between the two, so clearly that there is no doubt in anyone's mind. 祂清楚的区分二者,使人毫无混淆。
- 85. They are distinct in every way. 这二者完全不同。
- 86. They are different in character. 他们性情不同,
- 87. They are different in purpose. 他们目的不同,
- 88. They are different in nature. 他们本性不同。
- 89. Jesus is the first sower. 耶稣是的第一个撒种人。
- 90. Jesus is the owner of the field. 池是田地的主人,
- 91. This is His farm, He owns it. 这是祂的农场,祂拥有这田地。
- 92. He plants in the daylight without fear and hesitation.

 池在白天耕种,毫不迟疑惧怕。
- 94. He plants in hard work. 衪辛勤地劳作,
- 95. Jesus plants good, real, and precious seed that has value. 播种真正好的,珍贵的种子。
- 96. Satan is the second sower ... 而撒但是第二个撒种人。
- 97. he doesn't own the land ... 田地不是他的,
- 98. he is a usurper. 他是篡夺者,
- 99. The land belongs to someone else. 田地归别人所有。
- 100. Satan is the enemy of the land owner. 撒但是这主人的敌人,
- 101. He is the enemy of the landlord. 他是田地之主的劲敌。

- 102. So, he sneaks in at night ... 所以他要在夜晚偷偷溜进田地,
- 103. he sows cheap, worthless, look alike imitation wheat seed that has no value whatsoever. 播撒无用混杂的种子,想要鱼目混珠。
- 104. Have you ever stopped for a moment to think about how this parable is working out in our world today. 你是否停下来想一想这个比喻和我们今天这个世界有何关联呢?
- 105. And how Satan, the usurper, has been misleading, even among some of God's elect, in confusing the two sowers. 撒但这个篡夺者又是怎样误导神的子民,分辨不清这两个撒种人的呢?
- 106. I want to give a modern day contrast between the two sowers in our own society. 我想用现今这个时代来列出两者之间鲜明的对比,
- 107. The vast majority who are undiscerning never comprehend the difference.

 而大部分人都无法了解这区别是什么。
- 108. While Christians sow genuine love ... 当基督徒播种真爱的种子时,
- 109. Satan comes in and sows cheap sentimentality on the same field.
 撒但在同一块田地播撒廉价的同情。
- 110. While Christians sows true compassion ... 当基督徒播撒真正爱心的时候,
- 111. Satan comes in and he sows "empty good work". 撒但却进来撒下虚荣的善行。
- 112. Many among the people of God cannot distinguish between the two. 许多神的儿女也不能分辨这二者的不同。
- 113. While Christ sows profound faith in God and trust in His Father and His supernatural power. 当耶稣播撒对天父的完全信靠,以及对祂大能的无比信心时,
- 114. Satan comes in and he sows the seed of faith in one's self, and belief only in the power of self. 撒但却进来播撒个人的自信。
- 115. While Christ sows personal purity and righteous living ... 当耶稣播撒个人圣洁公义的生活时,

- 116. Satan comes in and he sows the seeds of selfishness and greed. 撒但却进来播撒自私贪婪的种子。
- 117. While Christ sows the seed of biblical and theological truth 当耶稣播撒圣经真理的种子时,
- 118. Satan comes in and he sows the seed of secular pragmatic logic 撒但却进来播撒世俗实用逻辑。
- 119. The two sowers could not be more different to the discerning person 对明白事理的人来说,这二者的分别是再清楚不过了。
- 120. Thirdly ... 第三,
- 121. There are two distinct crops or products. 两种不同的作物。
- 122. The son of God sows wheat in the fields ... 人子把麦子撒进田地,
- 123. But His enemy comes in and he sows "look alike wheat", but it is weed.
 但祂的敌人却把看起来像麦子的稗子撒进田地。
- 124. This is an incredibly diabolical trick. 这真是恶毒到极点的诡计,
- 125. Satan does not sow wickedness among the wicked ... 撒但不是把坏种子撒入坏人群,
- 126. No! 不是!
- 127. That would not be doing much damage. 因为那样做,破坏性不大。
- 128. But, he sows wickedness among the good. 他乃是把坏种子撒入好种子中,
- 129. Satan's actions are motivated by malice and hatred toward the Lord Jesus Christ. 撒但这样做,乃是出于他对基督耶稣的深仇大恨。
- 130. Think about it. 想想看,
- 132. The wheat does have value. 麦子能卖好价钱,

- 133. And yet, this particular type of weed, looks so much like wheat that even experts have a hard time distinguishing between the two plants when they are growing together in the field. 然而,这稗子看起来实在太像麦子,就连专家都要花点功夫才能分辨这同长在一片田地的两种作物。
- 134. It really is very difficult to tell the difference. 确实很难分辨真伪。
- 135. But Satan does not only sow his false seed out of pure malice.
 而且,撒但这么做不仅仅是出于单纯的恶毒,
- 136. He also sows his false seed as a form of revenge. 乃是他的一种报复行为。
- 137. Let me give you some historical background on this. 让我来给你一点历史背景知识。
- 138. It was common back then ... that when two farmers had a fight, that the enemy would not necessarily kill each other. 在古代,如果两个农夫打架了,他们不一定要杀害对方,
- 139. The enemy would wait until nighttime. 乃是等到夜深人静的时候,
- 140. The enemy might even wait longer, until the planting season. 或是播种的季节,
- 141. Then, waiting for the very day when the farmer put his seed in the ground. 等到对方把种子种下的时候,
- 142. The enemy would come at night and plant "weed seeds" to ruin his enemy's crop. 就会偷偷撒下稗子,去毁坏对方的农田。
- 143. That was an insidious crime back then. 在过去,这是一桩恶劣的罪行,
- 144. So much so, that the Roman government had a specific law against such a crime. 恶劣到罗马政府颁布一条法律去禁止它。
- 145. They even instituted a special punishment for that.
 他们甚至专门为之发明了一种处罚,
- 146. It is such an insidious crime because it ruins the whole year of livelihood for the farmer. 它之所以恶劣,是因为这恶行会破坏农夫一整年的辛劳。

- 147. It is such an insidious crime because it takes so long to discover. 它之所以恶劣,是因为这恶行需要很长的时间才能发现。
- 148. This particular crime is being perpetuated in many parts of the world ... even today. 即便是今天,这罪行也还是不断上演着。
- 149. And I want to tell you a lot more about this, 我还有许多要告诉你的,
- 150. But the time has run out. 但今天时间却要到了。
- 151. Please tune in next time when we talk more about the wheat and the weeds, 请你下次继续收听麦子和稗子的故事,
- 152. Until then, I wish you God's richest blessing. 愿神大大赐福给你!再会!