《天路导向(粤)》 双语讲义

上帝的怜悯 - 6 BIBLICAL COMPASSION - 6

- 1. Hello, listening friends. 亲爱的朋友,你好。
- 2. We welcome you, once again, to this broadcast. 欢迎你再一次收听这个节目。
- 3. If you are joining us for the first time, 假如你是第一次收听,
- 4. we are in the midst of a series of messages on biblical compassion, 我们所讲的"上帝的怜悯"这个系列已经进行到一半了,
- and we are looking at the Book of Jonah as a model of God's compassion.
 我们要从约拿的故事里面看到,神对人的怜悯。
- 6. In our last broadcast, I promised you that we would look at four major characteristics of Jonah's prayer in his place of disobedience. 上一次,我答应你,我们要讨论约拿祷告的四个特徵。
- 7. Let me repeat them for you. 现在,我来重复一次。
- 8. First, 第一,
- 9. it was a probing prayer. 这是一次自我反省的祷告,
- 10. Secondly, 第二,
- 11. it was a penitent prayer. 这是向神悔改的祷告,
- 12. Thirdly, 第三,
- 13. it was a praising prayer. 这是对神的赞美。
- 14. Fourthly, 第四,
- 15. it was a prayer of promise. 这是一个许愿的祷告。

- 16. First, 首先,
- 17. Jonah began with an honest probing. 约拿用真诚的反省来开始他的祷告。
- 18. Chapter 2, verses 2 to 6. 二章 2-6节,
- 19. Let us read it together. 我们一起来读。
- 20. This is a first step. 这是第一步,
- 21. You cannot make that second step until you take the first. 在没有迈出第一步之前,我们不能跨到第二步上去。
- 22. The first step is to be honest and probing in your life.

 真诚地反省是我们悔改的第一步。
- 23. That is why the Scripture says, over and over again, "Examine yourself." 这就是为什麽圣经一再地强调,我们需要"省察自己。"
- 24. You have to be honest in probing for the reasons why you are where you are. 我们必须诚诚实实地检察自己内心的光景如何。
- 25. This is very important, 这一点相当的重要,
- 27. but, also, for proper understanding of all of the Old Testament. 更是为了要全面地掌握整个旧约的资讯。
- 28. In Old Testament language, when they said, "God did it," 在旧约里,当人们说:"这是神的作为。"

- 29. it is not the way we mean today in modern language terms of blaming God. 并不像今天许多人用这句话,把什麽责任都推给神。
- 30. In the Old Testament, they believed that God is so sovereign and in total control 在旧约时代,以色列人相信,神全权掌管一切,
- 31. that, even the consequences of our disobedience is God's doing. 甚至包括了我们得罪神以後所受到的报应。
- 32. They refer to those consequences of disobedience in that way as the "will of God." 他们把违背神而尝到的苦果看成是神的旨意。
- 33. Let me give you an example from I Samuel 16:14. 我来给你举一个例子,在撒母耳记上16章14节这里,
- 34. The Bible said 圣经说,
- 35. that "an evil spirit from the Lord came upon Saul."
 "有恶魔从耶和华那里来扰乱扫罗。"
- 36. 3Did God send down an evil spirit? 难道恶魔是耶和华所差来的吗?
- 37. No. 不是的。
- 38. Every one of us has a spirit inside of us. 我们每个人里头都有一个灵。
- 39. If you do not have the Holy Spirit inside of you, then, you have an evil spirit inside of you. 假如不是圣灵,就是邪恶的灵在你里面。
- 40. You have one of the two; 总之是其中之一;
- 41. and the people of God understood that whenever you grieve the Holy Spirit, 神的儿女都明白,当我们让神的圣灵为我们担忧时,
- 42. whenever you quench the Holy Spirit, 当我们消灭圣灵的感动,
- 43. automatically, the evil spirit takes Its place. 邪灵就会自动取代了圣灵在我们心中的位置。

- 44. Listen to what Jesus said, 请听耶稣是怎麽说的:
- 45. "...if an evil spirit leaves and if the house is not filled with the Holy Spirit, 主说:"当我们把邪灵赶出去以後,如果不把 圣灵接进内心的话,
- 46. that evil spirit will come back with seven others stronger than the first." 邪灵就会重新回到我们心中,而且还要带著七个更恶的鬼一同进来。"
- 47. Saul's decision to do things his own way caused the Spirit of the Lord to depart. 扫罗一直一意孤行,不听神的话,以至於神的灵离开了他。
- 48. Jonah was honestly praying, 而约拿在这里诚恳地省察自己的内心,说:
- 49. "God, I've got the consequences I deserved. "神啊,我所遭遇的是我应该受的。
- 50. Lord, I know my sins brought me here. 主啊,我深知是我的罪让我落到这种地步。
- 51. Lord, I know it is my disobedience that you are dealing with..." 主啊,我知道你正在对付我的悖逆"
- 52. but notice something else very important. 在这里,我们需要注意一点,
- 53. Jonah did not try to explain or excuse his misery. 那就是,约拿没有试图为自己辩解什麽。
- 54. Jonah did not say, "The circumstances got me here."
 他没有说:"是环境把我推到今天的光景。"
- 55. Jonah did not say, "The sailors threw me out." 约拿没有说:"是那些水手把我丢进海里头的。"
- 56. Jonah did not say, "If I stay strong and wait long enough, things are going to get better." 约拿也没有说:"假如我再坚持一会儿的话,说不定事情会有好转。"
- 57. No. Jonah is done with technicalities and rationalizations and explanations. 约拿曾经尝试过要投机取巧,或是找理由为自己辩解,但他现在不再这样了。
- 58. Jonah is in desperate condition and, yet, his prayer was not only an honest probing; 虽然约拿处在极其危险和令人绝望的环境当中,但他的祷告却不仅是一个深刻的自我反省,

- 59. but, secondly, 还有第二点,
- 60. it was a penitent prayer. 那就是,他的祷告也是一个向神的忏悔。
- 61. Look again at the Scripture of Jonah 2:7-8. 请看圣经约拿书 2:7-8节。
- 62. "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered You, LORD, and my prayer rose to You, to Your holy temple. 我心在我里面发昏的时候,我就想念耶和华。我的祷告进入你的圣殿,达到你的面前。
- 63. Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs."
 那信奉虚无之神的人,离弃怜爱他们的主。"
- 64. Penitence is a word that means "showing genuine sorrow for and repentance from sin." 认罪悔改的意思就是"为著所犯的罪而真诚地忏悔"。
- 65. This is a higher level than just acknowledging that his disobedience brought him here. 这要比单单知道"是自己违背了神,才落到如此下场"要深刻得多。
- 66. Why is this important? 为什麽这一点相当重要呢?
- 67. The first step is necessary; 虽然第一步是必要的;
- 68. but it is useless without the second step. 但,如果少了第二步的话,还是无济於事。
- 69. My listening friends, please listen carefully. 我亲爱的朋友,请仔细听我说。
- 70. Because it is possible to be honest about your situation and acknowledge your own disobedience,
 因为,你极有可能坦承你的处境和悖逆,
- 71. and, yet, be unrepentant of it. 但却不知悔悟。
- 72. Jonah not only acknowledged his disobedience, but he also repented. 约拿不但承认他的过错,而且在神面前悔改。
- 74. We see this in two ways. 从以下两方面可以看出来。

- 75. In Verse 8 is one of the great verses in the Book of Jonah. 第八节是约拿书很重要的一节经文。
- 76. "Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs."
 "那信奉虚无之神的人,离弃怜爱他们的主。"
- 77. An idol is anything and anyone who takes God's rightful place; 所谓虚无的假神,就是那些取代真神的任何人或任何事物;
- 78. and Jonah is saying that, whenever a believer focuses on something else, 约拿的意思是说,当信徒把指望放在除神以外的事物上时,
- 79. or someone else, other than God, 或是,看任何人比神更重要的时候,
- 80. they place themselves out of the mercy of God. 他们就失去了神的怜悯。
- 81. At that point, it does not mean that God is less merciful. 这并不是说,神不再怜悯他们。
- 82. No; 决不是的;
- 83. but the believer turns his back on God's mercy by having an idol in his life.
 乃是信徒因著自己心中的偶像而背弃了神的 怜悯。
- 84. Also, Jonah's prayer was a penitent prayer because Jonah did not ask God for anything. 约拿在这里的祷告是一个诚挚的悔改,因为约拿并没有向神要求什麽。
- 85. Had Jonah asked God for something, we would have suspected an ulterior motive. 如果约拿对神有所要求,我们就会猜测他别有用心。
- 86. Jonah was genuinely sorry for his disobedience; 约拿乃是为著自己的背逆而真诚忏悔;
- 87. so, Jonah's prayer is a probing prayer. 因此我们说,这是约拿自我反省的祷告。
- 88. Jonah's prayer is a penitent prayer; 也是约拿忏悔的祷告。
- 89. and, thirdly, 第三,
- 90. Jonah's prayer was a praising prayer. 约拿的祷告是他对神的赞美。

- 91. Jonah's prayer was a prayer of thanksgiving. 是约拿对神感恩的祷告。
- 92. Why praise and thanksgiving in the midst of sheer misery? 为什麽在困苦绝望的时候要感谢赞美呢?
- 93. Well, if you are looking for a physical reason for praise, you will not find it; 假如你只看外在的环境,你不会觉得有什麽值得你赞美的;
- 94. but, if you are looking for spiritual reasons for thanksgiving and praise, then, you will find plenty.
 但是,如果你用属灵的眼光,你就会看到有千万个理由促使你发出感谢和赞美。
- 95. Let's look at verse 9. 我们来看第9节。
- 96. "But I, with a song of thanksgiving, will sacrifice to you...."
 "但我必用感谢的声音献祭与你。"
- 97. Jonah was thankful for his salvation through the grace of God. 约拿因著神的救恩而献上感谢。
- 98. Jonah was thankful for being able to call upon the name of the Lord. 约拿因能够呼求神的名而献上感恩的祭。
- 99. Jonah had no idea that he was going to be saved physically. 约拿一点也没有想到,他这辈子还有生还的希望。
- 100. I want you to listen very carefully because this is important. 请仔细听,这一点相当的重要。
- 101. Jonah had no idea that he was going to be physically delivered; 约拿根本没想到,连他肉身的生命都会被救活;
- 102. but, when he thanked God for God 但是,当他一直感谢神的时候,
- 103. that was the beginning of his physical deliverance. 就是他身体得蒙拯救的开始。
- 104. It is when your focus is on the praising of God for His salvation, 当你单单思想神的救赎而赞美祂,

- 105. it is when your focus is the thanksgiving to God for His grace, 当你单单为著神的恩典而献上感谢,
- 106. it is when your focus is for the gift of eternal life, 当你专心注目神所赐给你永生的盼望时,
- 107. it is at that point when your physical deliverance will be added.
 你的身体也要得蒙救赎和释放。
- 108. Not only is this is a prayer of honest probing, 约拿的祷告不仅是一个诚实的自我反省,
- 109. not only is this a prayer of genuine penitence, 不仅是一个真诚的悔改,
- 110. not only is this a prayer of true praise and thanksgiving, 也不仅仅是约拿发自内心的赞美和感谢,
- 111. but, fourthly, this is a prayer of promise. 而且,约拿的祷告也是向神的许愿。
- 112. Verse 9 第九节,
- 113. of Chapter 2. 第二章第九节,说:
- 114. "I ... will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. Salvation comes from the LORD."

"我所许的愿,我必偿还。救恩出於耶和华。"

- 115. You may ask the question, 也许你会问:
- 116. "How is Jonah going to offer sacrifices in the belly of the great fish?"
 "约拿在大鱼肚子里怎麽能向神还愿呢?"
- 117. He is saying that "...in the future, I will not approach You as I did before.
 他的意思乃是说:"以後,我再也不会抱著以前的心态来到你面前。
- 118. I will not approach You as a person who feels that he has special privilege; 在你面前,我不再认为自己是个了不起的人物;
- 119. but I will approach you as a sinner who is asking for forgiveness." 我乃是一个罪人,来到你面前,恳求你的饶恕。"
- 120. My friend, if you come to God in your most desperate situation, saying something like this, 亲爱的朋友,假如你在急难中,向神这样说:

- 121. "Lord, I did this and this and this for You. "主啊,我已经为你做出了许许多多,
- 122. I gave You this and this and this. 我付出了这麽多的代价。
- 123. I deserve this and this and this...." 我应该得到你的报酬了"。
- 124. if you pray like that, you will never make yourself right with God. 假如你这样说的话,你永远都不能与神和好。
- 125. If you approach God on your own merits, you are a lost cause; 如果你认为自己在神面前有可夸的功劳,那你已经失败了;
- 126. but, if you come to Him, acknowledging that you deserve nothing, 但如果你来到祂面前,承认自己一无是处,
- 127. if you promise to serve Him and be faithful to Him until your life's end, 如果你下决心忠心服侍神一直到底的话,
- 128. then, He will deliver you; 神才能救你;
- 129. and He will bring you into the deep experience of His grace that you have never understood before.

 他也要让你经历祂那深不可测的恩典,
- 130. My listening friend, listen carefully as I conclude this message. 我亲爱的朋友,在结束的时候,请仔细听我说。
- 131. The Psalmist said 在诗篇上,诗人曾经说,
- 133. so, when you come to Him in brokenness and humility,
 因此,当你存著谦卑、破碎的心来到祂面前时,
- 134. He will never reject you. 祂绝不会拒绝你。
- 135. It is your obedience that He is waiting for. 祂一直都等待著你的顺从。
- 136. It is your surrender that He is waiting for. 祂一直都盼望著你能够降服。

- 137. Will you do that, 你愿意吗?
- 138. as we pray, 我们一起祷告:
- 139. "Lord Jesus Christ, "主耶稣基督,
- 140. I surrender my life to You. 我把自己的生命交托在你的手中。
- 141. I repent of my sins. 我要向你悔改。
- 142. I have nothing to boast about. 在你面前,我丝毫没有可夸之处。
- 143. I desperately need Your forgiveness. 我迫切需要你的饶恕。
- 144. I need Your strength; 求你赐我力量;
- 145. so that I can walk faithfully with You. 好叫我能忠心地跟随你前行。
- 146. In the name of Jesus. 奉耶稣的名祷告。
- 147. Amen." 阿们。"
- 148. Until next time, I wish you God's richest blessing. 好,我们下次再见,愿神大大地赐福给你。