《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

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- 1. Hello, listening friends. 亲爱的朋友,你好,
- We are very pleased that you have tuned in today.
 非常高兴你能收听这个节目。
- 3. Today, many people live their lives in anxiety and fear. 今天,很多人生活在焦虑和恐惧之中。
- 4. They are constantly thinking about the worries that each new day will bring. 他们总是在担心新的一天所带来的忧虑。
- 5. We live a life filled with tension and stress; 我们的生活充斥著紧张和压力;
- 6. and, when something goes wrong, we say, "Why did God do this? 如果出了什麽问题,我们就会说:"为什麽神会这样做?
- 7. Why is God silent when I need Him the most?" 为什麽我最需要神的时候,祂却默不作声?"
- 8. It is difficult for all of us to be able to rest in God 对我们来说,安安心心地信靠神并不是一件容易的事,
- 9. and to be assured that God does not leave anything to chance, 我们很难相信,神不会容许事情随意地发生,
- 10. because God does not allow any of the details in your life to fall through the cracks.
 因为神不会疏忽你生活中的任何一个细节,而不加以理会。
- 11. God uses great things, as well as small things, to accomplish His purpose in your life; 神用大事,也用小事来成就祂在你生命中的旨意;
- 12. but the challenge for us is to trust Him, 我们所面临的挑战,就是要信任祂,

- 14. He is using difficult circumstances to work together for good to them who love Him, 祂也正在使用困境,让爱祂的人得益处,
- 15. because He is the God of circumstances. 因为祂是掌管环境的神。
- 16. In Acts, Chapter 23, 在使徒行传 23 章,
- 17. we find the Apostle Paul in a Roman prison in Jerusalem. 我们看到使徒保罗被关在耶路撒冷的监狱 里。
- 18. Do you think Paul was thinking that God had forsaken him? 你觉得保罗是不是以为神已经抛弃他了呢?
- 19. Do you think he was discouraged? 你觉得保罗是不是很沮丧呢?
- 20. Do you think Paul was wondering why God is silent?
 你觉得保罗是不是在疑惑神为什麽保持沈默?
- 21. The Bible tells us that, from the moment Paul was arrested, in Acts, Chapter 21, 圣经告诉我们,在使徒行传 21 章,从保罗被捕的那一刻起,
- 22. he was never a free man again; 他从此失去了自由;
- 23. and that's about a period of five years; 那大约有五年的时间;
- 24. but God did not condemn the Apostle Paul for his thought of discouragement. 但神没有因为使徒保罗气馁而责备他。
- 25. Instead, the Lord came to encourage him; 相反的,主来到他的面前鼓励他;
- 26. and those five years became the most productive, influential five years of Paul's life, 而这五年也成为保罗生命中最有影响,最有果效的五年,

- 27. because 2,000 years later, we are blessed by those Epistles that were written in the prison. 因为 2000 年后的今天,我们仍因这些他在监狱中写成的书信而蒙福。
- 28. Turn with me, please, if you have your Bible, to Acts 23, verse 11. 如果你手上有圣经,请和我一起翻开使徒行传 23 章第 11 节。
- 29. The Lord personally came to Paul and said, "Take courage, Paul, 主亲自向保罗显现并说:"放心吧,保罗,
- 30. for as you have testified about Me in Jerusalem, 你怎样在耶路撒冷为我作见证,
- 31. so you must bear witness in Rome." 也必怎样在罗马为我作见证。
- 32. My listening friend, I want to tell you something of uttermost importance. 我亲爱的朋友,请留意,这极为重要。
- 33. There are times in our lives when we are tempted to misunderstand the silence of God. 在我们的生命中,有很多的时候我们被诱惑,对神的沈默产生误解。
- 34. There are days when we confuse the silence of God for lack of caring on His part. 很多时候我们弄不清楚,以为神的沈默就等于祂不关心我们。
- 35. There are circumstances in life when we question the nearness of God to us. 在很多的境况下,我们会怀疑神是不是与我们同在。
- 36. While in reality, Acts 23:11 should teach us an important lesson -- 事实上,使徒行传 23 章 11 节给我们上了重要的一课…
- 37. that God is never closer to His children than when they cannot see Him. 往往,当神的儿女看不到祂的时候,正是神离我们最近的时候。
- 38. How do we know that? 我们是怎麽知道的呢?
- 39. Because His Word tells us so. 因为,神的话语告诉了我们。
- 40. When Abraham was about to give up on the promise of God, 当亚伯拉罕快要放弃神的应许时,
- 41. God came to him and said, "Don't be afraid." 神来到他身边,对他说: "不要害怕。"

- 42. God's Word tells us that, when Paul was discouraged in the prison, 神的话语告诉我们,当保罗在监狱里最沮丧的时候,
- 43. God came and said to him, "Take courage, Paul."
 神向他显现,并对他说:"放心吧,保罗。"
- 44. My listening friend, I want to tell you something that you must never forget. 我亲爱的朋友,我希望你一定不要忘记。
- 45. This promise of God to Paul is also for you. 神对保罗的应许,也是对你的应许。
- 46. If you're going through a hard time, 如果你正面临困境,
- 47. if you are experiencing darkness in your life, 如果你在经历生活中的低谷,
- 48. if you are tempted to give up on God, 如果你遇到试探,正准备离弃神,
- 49. if you are wondering whether God has forgotten you, 如果你在疑惑,神是不是已经忘记了你,
- 50. God's words to Paul are meant to be for you. 神对保罗所说的,也就是对你说的。
- 51. His encouragement to Paul is His encouragement to you.

 他对保罗的鼓励,也是对你的鼓励。
- 53. His nearness to Paul is an evidence of His nearness to you. 他与保罗同在,也证明了他与你同在。
- 54. When God is silent, He is working for you. 当神沈默的时候,祂在作工。
- 56. Secondly, when God is silent, 第二, 当神沈默时,
- 58. When Paul was put in that Roman prison, 当保罗被送进罗马的监狱里,

- 59. there were a group of men in the city known as the "zealots,"
 那城里有一群人被称作"狂热者,"
- 60. and they were determined to take the law into their own hands.
 他们下定决心要按照自己的意思来执行法律。
- 61. They wanted to kill the Apostle Paul. 他们想要杀害使徒保罗。
- 62. Forty of them wanted to kill one man. 这四十个人想杀害一个人。
- 63. They took an oath that they would not eat, they would not drink, they will not rest, until Paul is killed.
 他们起了誓,若不先杀保罗,就不吃不喝,也不休息。
- 64. The zealots worked in secret. 这些狂热者在暗中行事。
- 65. They often disguised themselves and they never operated in the open; 他们常常僞装自己,从不在公共场合动作;
- 66. so they hatched this plot in secret to kill Paul. 所以他们在暗中筹划杀害保罗的阴谋。
- 67. Oh, but the all knowing God was watching the plot.
 但是无所不知的神一直在关注著这个阴谋。
- 68. He was hearing what was going on; 祂聆听著整个事件的过程;
- 69. but He did not intervene supernaturally. 但祂没有用超然的能力来干涉。
- 70. Do you think God could not swing His sword and kill all of them? 你以为神不能挥动祂手中的剑杀了他们吗?
- 71. Sure He could have; 祂当然可以;
- 72. but He didn't. 但是祂没这麽做。
- 74. but God allowed Paul's nephew to hear the plot and get the word to Paul;
 不过,神让保罗的外甥听到这阴谋,并传话给保罗;
- 75. and Paul sends him to the Roman captain 保罗派他去见罗马的千夫长,

- 76. and the plot was foiled. 阴谋就这样被识破了。
- 77. There is no telling how many times a day Satan uses people to cause us havoc in our lives. 我们无法知道,撒但每天要多少次地利用他人,给我们的生活制造劫难。
- 78. There is no telling how many times a day Satan conspires to destroy the faithful servants of God. 也无法知道,撒但每天要多少次地运用阴谋,摧毁神忠心的仆人。
- 79. There is no telling how many times a day our very lives are threatened. 也无法知道,我们的生命每天要多少次地面临威胁。
- 80. There is no telling how many traps of temptation are set before us. 也无法知道,有多少个试探的网罗设置在我们面前。
- 81. Only the watchful eye of our heavenly Father knows; 只有一直在看守著我们的天父知道;
- 82. but the sovereign mercy of God foiled Satan's plot again and again, 神的大怜悯一次又一次地挫败了撒但的诡计,
- 83. and the problem is that we just take it all for granted; 可问题是,我们往往习以为常,就不当回事了;
- 84. but listen to me, my listening friend. 亲爱的朋友,请认真听。
- 85. When you put on your spiritual eyes, 当你睁开属灵的眼睛,
- 86. you will recognize that there is an invisible war taking place 你会看到一场无形的争战在进行。
- 87. and there is an army of demons plotting to destroy you.

 魔鬼的军队在图谋毁灭你。
- 88. They conspire to get you to fall into temptation; 他们在筹划让你落入试探当中;
- 89. but, when you cry to your heavenly Father, 但是,当你向天父呼求,

- 91. He sends someone to foil Satan's conspiracy against you; 他会派人来摧毀魔鬼的阴谋;
- 92. and that happens time after time after time. 这样的事情每时每刻都在发生。
- 93. Why does God protect us? 为什麽神要保护我们?
- 94. So that He may give you another day to serve Him, 因为祂想再给你一天来服侍祂,
- 95. so that He may give us one more day to glorify His name, 因为祂要给我们多一天来荣耀祂的名,
- 96. so that He may give you one more day to be faithful in serving Him.
 因为祂要给你多一天来忠心地服侍祂。
- 97. That is why I become so concerned when I see a person continuing to live for self, 这就是为什麽我很关注这样一些人,那种一直为自己而活的人,
- 98. when I see a person who ignores the voice of God, 那种忽略了神的声音的人,
- 99. when I see a person disregard God's mercy, 那种漠视神的怜悯的人,
- 100. because Paul said, if that attitude continues, 保罗说过,如果你一直保持那种态度地话,
- 101. God will take you home so that He may save your soul. 神就会带你回天家,来挽救你的灵魂。
- 102. My listening friend, please listen to me. 亲爱的朋友,请留意。
- 103. It all depends on whose hands we place our lives in. 这一切都是要看我们把自己的生命放在了谁的手中。
- 104. A handful of dust is worthless in our hands; 一把尘土在我们手中没有什麽价值;
- 105. but, in God's hands, the dust formed Adam. 但在神的手中,尘土作成了亚当。
- 106. A slingshot and five stones in our hands would be worth very little;

 一个弹弓和五块石头在我们的手中所值什少;

- 107. but, in David's hand, God brought victory to a nation.
 但在大卫的手中,神使用它给一个国家带来了胜利。
- 108. A staff in your hand might be worth a few dollars; 你手中的杖可能只值几块钱;
- 109. but, in Moses' hand, it parted the Red Sea; 但在摩西的手里,它使红海分开了;
- 110. and, so, here, we see Paul's nephew, who was unnamed, 所以,在这里,我们看到保罗这位不知名的外甥,
- 111. but, in God's hand, he saves the Apostle Paul. 在神的手里,他救了使徒保罗。
- 112. When God is silent, He is using even the small things.
 当神沈默时,他什至可以使用很小的事情。
- 113. Thirdly, you can trust God because He is the God of circumstances. 第三,你可以信任神,因为祂是掌管环境的神。
- 114. As you are listening to us by radio, 正如此时此刻,你在收音机旁收听我们节 目,
- 115. you may be thinking that your circumstances are working against you; 你可能认为你目前的处境对你不利;
- 116. and you are feeling that, if circumstances were different in your life, 你可能觉得如果环境因素不同的话,
- 117. you could have done something great for God. 你就可以为神做一些了不起的事。
- 118. You could have triumphed over the difficulties that you are facing right now; 你可能已经克服了目前所面对的困难;
- 119. but let me tell you something very important. 但是让我来告诉你,这非常重要。
- 120. If you are a faithful, obedient child of God, 如果你对神忠心,是一个顺服神的孩子,
- 121. your circumstances do not operate independently of God.你所处的环境不是神管不著的。
- 122. God is in control of your circumstances. 神仍然掌管著你的一切。
- 123. God is the Master of your circumstances. 神是你环境的主宰。

- 124. Even when you know that you did some things to get yourself where you are, 即使你知道,落到这步田地也是你自己造成的,
- 125. God's still the God of circumstances, 但神仍然是掌管任何环境的神,
- 126. and He uses your circumstances. 并且祂在使用你所处的环境。
- 128. Joseph was sold into slavery by his brothers; 约瑟曾被他的兄弟卖作奴隶;
- 129. and you say, "Why did God do that to an innocent man?"
 你会问:"为什麽神会如此对待一个无辜的人?"
- 130. God didn't do it, but He did permit it. 这不是神的作为,但的确是祂所允许的。
- 131. God was using the circumstances in Joseph's life 神曾使用约瑟生命中的这些境况,
- 132. to make Joseph the second most powerful man in the world 把约瑟造就成当时世界上第二有权柄的人,
- 133. so that he may save a nation, 让他可以拯救他的民族,
- 135. so that you and I may be saved today. 你我今天也因此而得救。
- 136. To the world, these were insignificant circumstances, 对世界而言,这些境况看来无关紧要,
- 137. but not to God. 但对神来说却是重要的。
- 138. Things may be happening in your life that don't make sense; 你生命中所发生的一些事情可能对你而言没有意义;
- 139. but they make sense to God. 对神来说是有意义的。

- 140. I cannot tell you what God is doing in your circumstances, 我无法告诉你,在你目前的境况中神的作为是什麽,
- 141. but I know that God is doing something in your circumstances; 但我知道神正在做工;
- 142. and, if you seem to be in darkness, like Paul was, 如果你觉得你正处于黑暗中,就像保罗一样,
- 143. God is leading you. 神正在带领你。
- 144. If you are discouraged, like Paul was in that prison, 如果你觉得沮丧,就像保罗在监狱里一样,
- 145. God is weaving His plan in your life. 神正在为你的人生,编织祂对你的计划。
- 146. If your circumstances appear to be puzzling, like that of Joseph, 如果你的环境如约瑟的遭遇一般,使你感到杂乱迷惑,
- 147. God is putting the pieces of the puzzle together. 其实,神正在一块块地拚起这幅拚图。
- 148. Even if you are disappointed and angry with God, 即使你对神失望,恼怒,
- 149. I know that He took all of that upon Himself on the cross. 我知道祂已经在十字架上为你承担了这一切。
- 150. The question is this: 而问题是:
- 151. have you surrendered your life to Jesus Christ? 你有没有将你生命的主权交给耶稣基督?
- 152. If you are living your life your way, 如果你还是按你自己的方式生活,
- 153. don't expect God to weave the circumstances into a beautiful tapestry. 就不要指望神把你所处的境况编织成一幅美丽的图画。
- 154. He only does that with His children; 他只为属祂的儿女编织;

- 156. You can say to Him, 你可以对祂说:
- 157. "Lord, I have been living my life my way for far too long.
 "主啊,长久以来,我都是采取我行我素、

158. Today, I surrender to You. 今天,我愿向你降服。

偏行己路的生活方式。

- 159. Help me make sense of my circumstances, 求你帮助我,让我所处的环境变得有意义,
- 160. because I know that you are the God of the circumstances;因为我知道,你是掌管一切环境的神;
- 161. and I pray this in Your name, Jesus. 我这样祷告是奉耶稣的名字,
- 162. Amen." 阿们。"
- 163. Now, after you have prayed this prayer with us, 在你和我们一起这样祷告之后,
- 164. it is our request, and our desire is, that you would write to us and you'd tell us. 我们邀请,也渴望你能写信告诉我们。
- 165. There are many people who are praying for you on a regular basis around the world 全世界有很多人在持续地为你祷告,
- 166. and they get very encouraged when they get news and letters from you; 如果能从你的来信中得到回应,他们会大受鼓舞;
- 167. so I look forward to getting your letters. 因此我盼望能收到你的来信。
- 168. Until next time, I wish you God's richest blessing. 愿神大大地赐福给你,下次再会。