《天路导向》双语讲义

在流沙的世界里要站立得稳(一)

STANDING FIRM IN A WORLD OF SHIFTING SANDS – Part 1

SECTION A

<u>甲部</u>

- 1. Hello, listening friends, and welcome to this new series of broadcasts. 亲爱的朋友,你好,欢迎你收听这个新的系列信息。
- This new series is called "Standing Firm in a World of Shifting Sands,"
 我们把这个新的系列信息称为: "在流沙的世界里要站立得稳。"
- 3. and it focuses on the Book of Daniel. 内容主要集中在但以理书。
- 4. Everyone agrees that peer pressure is a powerful force in any society. 每个人都会同意,在任何的社会阶层里,同龄人的压力都是一股强大的力量。
- It is most prevalent, especially among young people;
 尤其是在年轻人中最为普遍;
- 6. but many adults fall victim to peer pressure also. 但也有许多成年人,成为同龄人压力的牺牲品。
- 7. Very prominent social scientists have discovered the following facts:
 一些杰出的社会学家,发现了下面的这些事实:
- 8. seventy-five percent of students are more influenced by their peers than their parents. 百分之七十五的学生,受同龄人的影响超过家长的影响。
- 9. On the other hand, 75 percent of parents believe that peer pressure is no real influence on their children.
 而另一方面,百分之七十五的家长相信,同龄人的压力并没有真正影响到他们的孩子。
- 10. That tells me that a lot of parents are completely ignorant about peer pressure. 这告诉我们,很多家长完全地忽略了同龄人的压力。

- 11. Let me tell you three things about peer pressure. 有关同龄人的压力,我想讲三点:
- 12. First, there is neutral pressure that has no permanent good or bad effect on our lives. 第一,有一种是中性的压力,从长远来说,对我们的生活没有好的或坏的影响。
- 13. Second, there is a positive peer pressure that brings out strength and draws out our good values; 第二,有一种是正面的同龄人压力,能够强化我们,并提升我们好的质量;
- 14. and, third, there is negative peer pressure. 第三,也有一种是负面的同龄人压力。
- 15. The only answer to negative peer pressure is to learn to say, "No." 对待负面的同龄人压力,唯一的办法就是学会说: "不。"
- 16. Say it firmly and say it often; 要坚定地说, 经常地说;
- 17. and, as you do that, you will grow to say it confidently.

 当你这样做的时候,才能逐渐自信地将它说出来。
- 18. Not only that, but the most important thing that you can do is for you to become the positive peer pressure on others. 另外,你要做的最重要的一件事,就是成为一个能带给别人正面的同龄人压力的人。
- 19. Instead of being a pressure acceptor, you can become a pressure giver. 你可以成为一个施加压力的人,而不仅仅是接受压力的人。
- 20. You can make it acceptable to be different; 你可以成为一个与众不同的人,而别人仍然接纳你;
- 21. and you will be amazed at how quickly others will follow you. 你将惊奇地发现,别人多么快地就会来跟随你。

- 22. Today, I want to tell you about four young men. 今天,我想跟你讲四个年轻人的故事。
- 23. These four young men decided to say, "No"; 这四个年轻人决定说: "不";
- 24. and they became the positive peer pressure for others.
 他们给别人带来了正面的同龄人压力。
- 25. Those four young men became positive examples for the entire Babylonian Empire. 这四个年轻人,成为了整个巴比伦王国的正面楷模。
- 26. They became leaders, instead of followers. 他们成为领袖,而不是追随者。
- 27. How did this happen? 这是怎样发生的呢?
- 28. Around the year 605 BC, 大约在公元前 605 年,
- 29. after Israel refused God's warning through the Prophet Jeremiah, 当以色列民拒绝了神透过耶利米先知所发出的警告之后,
- 30. King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon invaded Israel. 巴比伦王尼布甲尼撒入侵了以色列,
- 31. He pillaged the country of its treasures and of its best people.
 他掠夺了这个国家的财富和百姓中的精英,
- 32. He took the brightest and the most intelligent into his own court.
 他将他们中最聪明最有智慧的人带到了自己的宫中。
- 33. Four of those were named Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. 他们中间的这四个人名叫但以理,哈拿尼雅,米沙利,亚撒利雅。
- 34. Now, if you have your Bible, turn with me to the Book of Daniel, Chapter 1, verses 1 to 16; 现在,如果你手中有圣经,请跟我一起翻到但以理书第 1 章 1 到 16 节;
- 35. Now, listen as you hear the Word of God spoken. 请你留心听神的话语。
- 36. Daniel 1:1-16. 但以理书第 1 章 1 到 16 节。

- 37. These four men were like four candles lit up in the dark alley of Babylon, 这四个人就像四根蜡烛,照亮了巴比伦黑暗的小径。
- 38. like four stars in the bleak Babylonian skies. 像四颗明星,悬挂在巴比伦黯淡的夜空中。
- 39. Four young men in a hostile environment; 这四个年轻人,身处充满敌意的环境之中;
- 40. and, if they could prevail, so can you. 如果他们都能够获胜, 你也可以。
- 41. It is easy to be spiritual in the middle of a large group.

 身处一个大的属灵群体之中,属灵就很容易。
- 42. Who you really are shines through when you are in the middle of rowdy unbelievers. 只有身处一群粗暴的非信徒中间,发出光泽的时候,才能真正显明你的本质。
- 43. Spiritual integrity does not need the protection of a safe environment to grow in; 灵性上的完善,并不需要在一个安全环境的保护下才能成长:
- 44. but spiritual integrity grows best when it is exposed to the storms of snow and wind and hail.
 灵性上的完善,反而是在暴风雪和冰雹之下成长得最好。
- 45. Think of these four young men. 想一想这四个年轻人,
- 46. Their leader was a 14-year-old boy who was abducted from his home and family. 他们的领袖是一个十四岁的男孩,被人从他的家中绑架来的。
- 47. These four were taken to a strange land; 这四个年轻人被掳到了一个陌生之地;
- 48. and, there, they became subject to subtle, but powerful, indoctrination; 在那里,他们受到了阴险而又强有力的教导:
- 49. and, yet, Daniel and his three friends purposed in their hearts to please God. 然而,但以理和他的三个朋友已在他们心中定意要讨神喜悦。
- 50. My listening friend, I want you to look with me at three things in Daniel, Chapter 1. 亲爱的朋友,我想与你一起,从三个方面来看但以理书第 1 章,

- 51. First, the prevailing circumstances. 首先是,主流的环境。
- 52. Secondly, the pressure to compromise; 第二是,妥协的压力。
- 53. and, thirdly, the power of conviction. 第三是,信心的能力。
- 54. Let's look at number one, the prevailing circumstances.让我们先来看第一点,主流环境。
- 55. King Nebuchadnezzar was ruthless, but he was also clever.尼布甲尼撒王非常残忍,也很聪明。
- 56. His method was to take the cream of the crop from every nation that he conquered and use them for his service.
 他的办法是把所征服的每一个国家的精英掳来,让他们为他效力。
- 57. He put these young minds into a sort of college program.他让这些年轻人接受高等教育。
- 58. Daniel and his friends were obviously among the brightest and the smartest in the whole empire. 很显然,但以理和他的朋友们是整个国家中最聪明的人之一。
- 59. They were athletic and good-looking and intelligent.他们既强壮,相貌俊美又有智慧。
- 60. Students at Nebuchadnezzar's school had to be able to endure three years of grueling study. 在尼布甲尼撒王的学校中,学生们要忍受三年最艰苦的学习。
- 61. They studied literature, mathematics, science, politics, history and geography; 他们要学文学,数学,科学,政治,历史和地理;
- 62. so, these four guys, Daniel and his three friends, were among the privileged and the elite; 这四个年轻人,但以理和他的三个朋友,是属于那些享有特权的精英;
- 63. and, for such select few, there was a special menu that was loaded with rich food and wine. 被挑选出来的这一小部分人,可以享受特别的食物,全都是美酒佳肴。

- 64. Above all else, these students had to forget all thought of being servants of God. 除了这些之外,学生们还必须打消一个念头,那就是做神的仆人。
- 65. They had to become servants of the mighty Nebuchadnezzar. 他们要作尊贵的尼布甲尼撒王的仆人。
- 66. To help in this process of introduction, their names had to be changed. 为了实现这一目标,在教导的过程中,他们被迫更改自己的名字。
- 67. Why? 为什么呢?
- 68. In order that they would forget their identity. 为的是让学生忘记自己的身份。
- 69. Daniel, which means "God has judged," was changed to "Belteshazzar," which means "the keeper of the hidden treasure of the god of Baal".
 但以理原来的意思是"神审断",被改成"伯提沙撒",意思是"巴力秘密财宝的守护者"。
- 70. Hananiah, which means, "Jehovah has been gracious," became "Shadrach," which is a part of the name of the pagan deity, Marduk. 哈拿尼雅原意为"耶和华是有恩典的",变成了"沙得拉",是外邦人的神马杜克名字的一部分。
- 72. and Azariah, which means, "Jehovah has helped," became "Abednego," which means "the servant of Nebo." 亚撒利雅原意为"耶和华帮助的人",变成了"埃布尔尼歌",意思是"尼布的仆人"。
- 73. The new culture was telling them, "Forget your faith." 新的文化不断地告诉他们: "要忘掉你的信仰。"
- 74. These were their circumstances. 这就是他们所处的环境。
- 75. The question is, "Would they capitulate?" 问题是, "他们会屈服吗?"

- 76. Secondly, we see the pressure to compromise in verses 8 to 16. 第二,我们在第 8 到 16 节中可以看到妥协的压力。
- 77. The devil will always begin by surrounding you with circumstances that are designed to make you forget biblical truth; 魔鬼总是在一开始的时候,先把你放在一种环境中,就是刻意使你忘记圣经真理的环境;
- 78. then, he will tempt you; 然后,他会来试探你;
- 79. then, he will pressure you to compromise. 接着,他会逼迫你妥协。
- 80. The reason why the Israelites were taken into captivity in the first place was because they had been a nation of compromisers. 以色列民之所以被掳,就是因为他们已变成了一个妥协的国家。
- 81. They had become idolaters; 他们已成为拜偶像的人;
- 82. and, so, these four boys found themselves among the elite of this pagan culture. 因此,这四个男孩发觉自己成了外邦人文化中的特权阶级。
- 83. While most of their fellow Hebrews were already knee-deep in compromise and apostasy, these Hebrew boys stood firm and would not compromise.

 当大多数的希伯来同胞已深陷妥协和变节的 泥沼时,这几个希伯来男孩却可以站立得 稳,不愿妥协。
- 84. As these four boys looked around, they saw that everyone in their community was eating and drinking from the King's kitchen; 这四个男孩环顾四周,他们发现这个圈子里的同伴,人人都在吃喝享用王的食物;
- 85. and Daniel and his friends could not do that and sin toward God.
 但以理和他的朋友们却没有这么做,没有得罪神。
- 86. Some of you may say, "But isn't that silly to refuse to eat the King's food? 有些人也许会说: "拒绝吃王的食物不是很傻吗?
- 87. Did they have to stick to food that is legal?" 难道他们一定得坚持吃那些合法的食物吗?"

- 88. Actually, this food has nothing to do with the legal food.

 事实上,这些食物与是否合法没有任何关系。
- 89. The reason they refused to eat from the King's table was because that food had been offered to idols before it was served.
 他们拒绝吃王桌上的食物,是因为那些食物在端上来之前曾被用来供奉偶像。
- 90. Someone may say, "Why make such a fuss about small issues, such as eating food offered to idols? 有些人也许会说: "为什么要对吃供奉过偶像的食物这一类的小事,如此大惊小怪呢?
- 91. Think of how influential you will be in the King's palace.
 应该想想,你将在王宫里多么的有势力,
- 92. Take advantage of the situation..." 应该利用这个时机······"
- 93. but Daniel's response was, "No. 可但以理的回答却是: "不,
- 94. It may cost me my life, but I will keep my eternal life." 这也许会断送我的性命,但我可以保住永生。"
- 95. Daniel, being the intelligent and gifted man that he was, objected without being objectionable. 但以理,作为一个聪明而又有天赋的人,没有用排斥他人的方式来拒绝。
- 96. He politely asked the boss to release him from the obligation of eating such food. 他有礼貌地要求他的主管,免除他吃这种食物的义务。
- 97. Jesus said, "When you are faithful with little, you'll be faithful with much;" 耶稣说: "人在最小的事上忠心,在大事上也忠心":
- 98. and, because Daniel would not compromise with little things as a young man of fourteen, sixty years later, he would not compromise with the big things.
 由于这个 14 岁的年轻人但以理,在小事上不妥协,60 年后,他在大事上也不会妥协。
- 99. The prevailing circumstances. 主流的环境,
- 100. The pressure to compromise; 妥协的压力;

SECTION B

乙部

- 1. thirdly, the power of conviction. 第三是,信心的能力。
- 2. If you look at verses 17 to 21, 如果你查考 17 到 21 节,
- 3. you will find that, when you honor God, God will honor you. 你会发现,当你想荣耀神的时候,神就让你 受尊重。
- 4. When you put God first, He will deliver you. 当你让神居首位的时候,祂就让你得释放。
- 5. When you refuse to compromise, He will stand with you. 当你拒绝妥协的时候,祂就和你站在一起。
- 6. Daniel and his three friends finished their three-year course; and, now, it was time for final exams.

但以理和他的三个朋友完成了他们三年的课程,现在是结业考试的时候了。

- 7. In those days, the exams were not written exams. They were oral exams. 那时候,考试不是书面的,而是口试。
- 8. They had to appear before the King, himself, who personally examined each one of the candidates; 他们要来到王本人面前,由他来考查每一个考生:
- 9. and the King's assessment of Daniel, Meshach, Shadrach, and Abednego is recorded in verses 19 to 20.

 王对但以理,哈拿尼雅,米沙利,亚撒利雅

上对但以理,哈拿尼雅,未炒利,业撒利雅的评价记载在第 19 到 20 节。

- 10. They were the best of the best. 他们是最优秀的。
- 11. They were better than all of their graduating class and the whole school; 他们比整个学校毕业班的同学都优秀;
- 12. but that was not all. 但这还不是全部。
- 13. They were given the top jobs in the King's court.
 他们得到了王宫里最优厚的职位。
- 14. In fact, Daniel remained in the second highest position in the land for 70 years; 事实上,但以理在第二高的职位上待了 70 年之久;

- 15. and, so, my friend, I want to tell you as I conclude, 因此,亲爱的朋友,在结束的时候,我想告诉你:
- 16. that, when you refuse to compromise on little things, 当你在小事上拒绝妥协的时候,
- 17. when you honor the Lord with all you are, 当你全心全意来荣耀神的时候,
- 18. then watch and see how He will honor you. 你可以观察,来看看神会怎样提升你。
- 19. Let me share a verse with you that I hope that you will memorize. 我要与你来分享一节经文,希望你能背诵。
- 20. It is in 1 Samuel, Chapter 2, verse 30. 撒母耳记上 2 章 30 节,
- 21. "'Those who honor Me, I will honor,' says the Lord." "主说: '尊重我的,我必重看他。'"
- 22. That is the promise of God, 这就是神的应许,
- 24. Until next time, I wish you God's richest blessing.愿神大大地赐福给你,下次节目再会。