《天路导向》双语讲义

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PORTRAIT OF GRACE - Part 7

SECTION A

甲部

- 1. Hello, listening friends. 亲爱的朋友,你好。
- 2. We welcome you to this broadcast. 非常欢迎你收听我们的节目。
- 3. I am so glad you joined us today. 很高兴你今天跟我们聚在一起。
- 4. Today, we're going to talk about a very important subject.今天,我们要探讨的是一个极其重要的主题。
- 5. This subject is crucial, not only for your family relationships, but for all your relationships. 这个主题不仅对你的家庭关系,而且对你所有的人际关系而言都是极为重要的。
- 6. This subject is vital to your walk with the Lord. 这个主题对你与主同行也是尤为关键的。
- 7. This subject is restitution; 这个主题就是修复:
- 8. and we will see true restitution in Genesis, Chapter 33, verses 1 to 20. 在创世记 33 章 1 到 20 节中,我们看到了真 正的修复。
- 9. Family conflicts are always unpleasant. 家庭内部的冲突总是令人不快的。
- 10. Family fights are painful and distasteful; 家庭内部的纷争是痛苦和让人厌烦的;
- 11. but the process of reconciliation can be equally disconcerting. 但和解的过程同样也是令人不安的。
- 12. The process of reconciliation after a family feud can be daunting. 家庭纷争后和解的过程是我们不愿意面对的。
- 13. In fact, in many a family conflict, some people find it easier to stay apart than to reconcile. 事实上,有些人发现,在许多家庭纷争里,保持距离比和解容易些。

- 14. Why is that? 为什么会这样呢?
- 15. Because some people find it easier to keep on harboring resentment. 因为人们发现,继续满怀怨恨是容易的。
- 17. They find it easier to rationalize their reasons for the fallout.
 让事情的余波未了找借口是容易的。
- 18. They comfort themselves with the position that they were right in the matter.
 人们以自己在整个事件中立场正确来自我安慰。
- 19. Why do people do this? 人们为什么会这么做呢?
- 20. Because some people will do anything to avoid confrontation.
 因为有些人会想尽办法来避免面对难题。
- 21. In the last message, we saw Jacob limping across the river. 在上一讲信息中,我们看到雅各一瘸一拐地过了河。
- 22. After God wrestled with him and God won and Jacob surrendered, 神与他摔跤,神获胜,雅各降服,这之后,
- 23. after God confirmed to Jacob, yet again, His plan for his life, 神又一次向雅各确认, 在他生命里的计划,
- 24. after the joy of meeting God face-to-face, 雅各经历了与神面对面相遇的喜乐之后,
- 25. after the joy of victory and blessing that came from surrender, 那是降服所带来的赐福和得胜的喜乐,
- 26. now, it is time for Jacob to do what he has been dreading for 20 years.现在,是时候该雅各去完成那件让他畏惧了20年的事情了。

- 27. Have you guessed it yet? 你猜到了吗?
- 28. Facing his brother, Esau, whom he wronged 20 years before.
 那就是面对他哥哥以扫,20年前,他做了对不起以扫的事。
- 29. When Jacob stole Esau's birthright, his mother, Rebekah, told him to go away until his brother's anger had subsided. 当年,雅各偷走以扫长子名分的时候,他母亲利百加让他出去躲避,等他哥哥的怒气消减后再说。
- 30. Now, Jacob faces his brother, Esau, with the assurance of God's blessing and protection; 如今,雅各得到神的保证,一定会保护并赐福给他,于是来到哥哥以扫面前;
- 31. but, nonetheless, Jacob has to clean up some past dealings. 虽然如此,雅各还是要清理一些陈年旧事。
- 32. My listening friend, if there is one thing that we all must understand about reconciliation and restoration, it is this: 亲爱的朋友,关于和解与修复,有一件事我们一定要明白,那就是:
- 33. reconciliation and restitution are outward manifestations of our salvation. 和解与修复是我们得救的一个外在彰显。
- 34. They are our outward manifestations of God's forgiveness of our sins through Jesus Christ. 它们是神透过耶稣基督饶恕我们罪恶过犯的外在彰显。
- 35. God's forgiveness must be expressed in our willingness to ask others for their forgiveness when we have wronged them. 我们愿意去请求自己曾错待过的人来原谅我们,这本身就是在彰显神的饶恕。
- 36. Restitution is a word that is missing among believers' vocabulary today; 修复这个词,今天已经从信徒们的词汇中消失了;
- 37. and, yet, it ought to be at the forefront of our reconciliation with others.

 而实际上它应该是我们与他人和解的第一步。
- 38. My listening friend, please listen carefully to what I'm going to tell you. 亲爱的朋友,请仔细听我下面要讲的。

- 39. Lack of willingness to make restitution cheapens repentance. 缺乏愿意与人和好的心,会让我们的悔改贬 值。
- 40. Lack of restitution throws doubt on the authenticity of our repentance. 不去与人和好,会在我们悔改的真实性上打上问号。
- 41. In Genesis 33:3, when Jacob encountered his brother, Esau, he immediately set about the task of making restitution. 在创世记 33 章第 3 节,当雅各遇见他哥哥以扫,就立即开始了修复的工作。
- 42. He bowed down to the ground seven times. 他一连七次俯伏在地。
- 43. Twenty years earlier, Jacob had tricked his brother, Esau, out of his father's blessing. 20 年以前,雅各从他哥哥以扫手中骗得了父亲的祝福。
- 44. Now, after God wrestled with Jacob and Jacob lost to God, God changed Jacob's heart; 如今,当神与雅各摔跤,雅各输给神之后,神改变了雅各的心;
- 45. and the evidence of his changed heart was that Jacob repented of his past sin; 雅各内心改变的证据就是,他悔改过去的罪;
- 46. and, in addition, he bore the fruit of repentance. 而且还结出了悔改的果子。
- 47. When Jacob received the forgiveness of God for his sins, he became willing to confess his sin against his brother.

 当雅各得到神的赦免之后,就愿意承认对哥哥所犯的罪。
- 48. and asked for his brother's forgiveness. 并且请求哥哥的原谅。
- 49. Jacob could have said, "Well, God said to my mother that Esau would serve me." 雅各本可以说:"神对我母亲说过,以扫要服侍我。"
- 50. Jacob could have said, "Regardless of what I have done or have not done, Esau should be subservient to me..." 雅各本可以说:"不管我做过什么,以扫应该服从我。"
- 51. but, after Jacob's heart was touched by God, 但雅各的心被神所感动,

- 52. Jacob recognized the wrong that he had done. 雅各认识到了自己所犯的过错。
- 53. He confessed his sin. He repented of his sin; but he also made restitution for his sin. 他承认自己的罪,他为所犯的罪而悔改,并且还对自己犯的罪进行修复。
- 54. My listening friend, when God touches your heart, 亲爱的朋友,当神感动了你的内心,
- 55. when God forgives your sins, 当神饶恕了你的过犯,
- 56. when God blesses you with salvation, 当神赐给了你救恩,
- 57. when God ministers to you by His grace, 当神用祂的恩典来扶助你的时候,
- 58. you must be ready to do the same toward others. 你也应该同样地对待他人。
- 59. You must be willing to right the wrong, even if it takes 20 years. 你要愿意纠正以往的过错,哪怕那是 20 年前的事情。
- 60. Let me ask you this, my listening friend. 亲爱的朋友,我想问你。
- 61. Are you carrying bitterness toward someone? 你是否还对某人怀着苦毒?
- 62. Are you loaded with anger and resentment toward someone? 你是否还对某人心存怨恨?
- 63. Have you sinned against someone? 你是否得罪过某一个人?
- 64. Have you wronged someone? 你是否错待过一个某人?
- 65. Have you taken advantage of someone? 你是否占过某人的便宜?
- 66. Have you taken someone else's property? 你是否拿过某人的财物?
- 67. Have you cheated someone? 你是否欺骗过某人?
- 68. Have you cheated God of His tithe and offering? 你是否在什一奉献上欺骗过神?
- 69. Let me tell you, on the authority of the Word of God, 奉神话语的权柄,我要告诉你,
- 70. that there is no amount of singing of hymns that will help you.
 不管唱多少圣诗都帮不到你。

- 71. There is no amount of Bible studies that you can attend that will help you.
 不管参加多少查经班都帮不到你。
- 72. There is no amount of sermons that you can hear that will help you.
 不管听多少讲道都帮不了你。
- 73. There is no amount of making excuses for your sin that will help you.
 不管你为自己的罪找多少借口都帮不到你。
- 74. None of that will substitute for your righting the wrong.

 所有这些都不能代替你亲自来改正错误。
- 75. Some people may say to me, "You don't understand my predicament." 有些人也许会说:"你不了解我的困境。"
- 76. Some people will say to me, "You don't know my real world." 有些人也许会说: "你不明白我的真实处境。"
- 77. My friend, all these excuses will not work. 亲爱的朋友,这些借口都不能成立。
- 78. Jacob bowed down seven times and said, "My lord, Esau," and, then, insisted that his brother accept his gifts.
 雅各一连七次俯伏在地说:"我主,以扫,"并且坚持要他哥哥收下礼物。
- 79. My listening friend, it takes humility to do that. 亲爱的朋友,要做到这样是需要谦卑的。
- 80. What we don't often understand is that, when you decide in your heart to make restitution, 我们常常不明白的是,当你在心中定意要来 修复的时候。
- 81. when you decide in your heart to seek forgiveness for the wrong that you have done, 当你在心中定意要为自己所做错的事情寻求原谅的时候,
- 82. God is working on the other end as well. 神就会在对方身上工作。
- 83. Let me show you. 我来解释给你听。
- 84. Everything the Bible tells us about Esau is that he did not fear God. 圣经上告诉我们,以扫是一个不敬畏神的人。
- 85. He was into instant gratification. 他只顾及时行乐。

- 86. He was tough, and he was rough, and he was wild; 他内心刚硬、粗鲁、野蛮:
- 87. but God had already gone ahead of Jacob and changed even Esau's heart; 但神已经走在了雅各的前面,将以扫的心改变了;
- 88. and, when you decide in your heart to right the wrong, 当你在心中定意要改正错误的时候,
- 89. God will run ahead of you and prepare the other person's heart.
 神会走在你前面,预备那个人的心。
- 90. God will go ahead of you and work things out—to your surprise. 神会走在你前面,出乎意料地让事情成就。
- 91. In fact, notice that Jacob and Esau never talked about the problem or the sin or the past. 事实上,我们注意到雅各和以扫从未提起以往的矛盾或过犯。
- 92. They never discussed the old hurt. 他们从未谈到从前的旧伤。
- 93. Do you know why? 你知道原因吗?
- 94. Because often an embrace can speak much more eloquently than words. 因为一个拥抱远胜过华丽的词藻。
- 95. Before God touched Jacob's heart, 在神感动雅各的内心以先,
- 96. before God wrestled with Jacob, 在神与雅各摔跤以先,
- 97. Jacob sent others ahead of him. 雅各派人走在他前面,
- 98. He sent gifts ahead of him; 雅各先送出礼物,
- 99. but, here, he goes out in front and meets Esau face-to-face.

 而现在,他走到最前面,与以扫面对面的相 遇。

SECTION B

乙部

1. Jacob, having been conquered by God, now had new courage to face his past sins. 被神所征服的雅各,如今有了新的勇气来面对以往的过犯。

- 2. Having been conquered by God, Jacob now had new strength to go and face his brother. 被神所征服的雅各,如今有了新的力量来面对他的哥哥。
- 3. In our reconciliation, we often forget the power of God that is working in others. 我们在与人和解的时候,常常忘了,有神的能力作用在对方身上。
- 4. Let me tell you something about not resolving past conflict and sin. 让我告诉你,不去解决从前的纷争和过犯会有怎样的后果。
- 5. The problem with past conflict and bitterness is this:
 从前的纷争和苦毒所带来的问题是:
- 6. if past conflicts are not dealt with, they do not go away. They go underground; 这些以往的纷争如果不处理,它们不会自动消失,而是被埋到地下;
- 7. and, when past conflicts and sin go underground, they can poison the soil and they can hurt a whole lot of people. 当这些以往的纷争被埋到地下的时候,它们会毒化土壤,危害许多的人。
- 8. My listening friend, I want to tell you that restitution is not easy. 亲爱的朋友,我想告诉你,修复并不是一件容易的事。
- 9. Bearing the fruit of repentance is not easy. 结出悔改的果子并不是一件容易的事。
- 10. Facing past sins can give you a horrible feeling in the pit of your stomach; 面对以往的过犯会让你内心倍受煎熬;
- 11. but, when you do it in Jesus' name, 但是,当你奉耶稣之名,这么做的时候,
- 12. when you do it in Jesus' power and for Jesus' sake, 当你为了耶稣的缘故,靠着耶稣的大能这么做的时候,
- 13. you will have all the strength you need because God will go ahead of you and prepare the other person.

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你将具备所需的力量,因为神会走在你的前面,预备那人的心。

14. Somebody may say, "Well, what if the person I have wronged refused to forgive me?" 有些人会说: "如果那个我曾经错待过的人拒绝原谅我,怎么办?"

- 15. That is not your problem. That's their problem. 那就不是你的问题了,那是他们的问题。
- 16. That is not your problem. That is their problem with God. 那不是你的问题,那是他们与神之间的问题。
- 17. Repentance involves costly obedience, not merely repeating some words; 悔改需要付上代价去顺服,而不仅仅只是在口头重复几句话而已;
- 18. and that is why genuine repentance has such a powerful impact on others. 因此,真正的悔改将对他人产生强有力的影响。
- 19. When Esau saw his brother's true humility and confession and repentance, he was overwhelmed; 当以扫看到自己的兄弟真正地谦卑、认罪和悔改的时候,他就被征服了;
- 20. and, so, instead of killing him, he ran to him and embraced him.于是,他不但没有杀他,反而跑过去拥抱他。
- 21. He fell on his neck and kissed him. 以扫搂着他的颈项与他亲嘴。
- 22. My listening friend, I want to tell you something very important. 亲爱的朋友,我想告诉你极为重要的一点。
- 23. Asking for forgiveness will remove the shadows that are hanging over you. 请求原谅会拨开你头顶的乌云。
- 24. Asking for forgiveness will restore you to full spiritual health; 请求原谅会使你属灵的生命得到完全的康复:
- 25. and asking for forgiveness will also bring you answers to your prayers. 请求原谅会让你的祷告得到响应。
- 26. Unconfessed sin will always hinder answers to your prayers.
 不承认自己的罪会让你的祷告得不到响应。
- 27. The psalmist said in 66:18, 诗篇的作者在诗篇 66 篇 18 节说道:
- 28. "If I cherish a sin in my heart, God will not answer me." "我若心里注重罪孽,主必不听。"

- 29. Listen carefully, my listening friend, as we conclude. 亲爱的朋友,在即将结束的时候,请留意。
- 30. At the end of this broadcast, take a moment and examine yourself.

 听完这篇信息之后,请用一点时间来自我反省。
- 31. What sin do you need to confess? 看看,你有哪些罪需要承认?
- 32. To God? 向神认罪?
- 33. To a spouse? 向配偶认罪?
- 34. To a father or mother? 向父母认罪?
- 35. To a son or daughter? 向子女认罪?
- 36. To a co-worker or a neighbor? 向同事或邻居认罪?
- 37. Today, make the decision to make that phone call or make that visit.
 今天,就做一个决定来打那个电话或做那个探访。
- 38. Whatever it is, decide today to make restitution; 无论那是什么,今天就做一个决定来修复;
- 39. and God's spirit will go before you and prepare the way. 神的灵会在你前面来为你预备道路。
- 40. 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。