《天路导向》双语讲义

生命成长的十二个步骤 - 13 EPISTLE OF JAMES - 13

SECTION A

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- We welcome you, our listening friends, and we're glad you tuned in.
 欢迎你,亲爱的朋友,很高兴你能再次收听 这个节目。
- 2. In the last broadcast, we saw two examples of patience and perseverance in the times of trial. 上一次,我们讲到在试炼中恒久忍耐的两个榜样。
- 3. One was the example of the farmer who waits for the harvest. 第一个榜样是,等候收成的农夫。
- 4. The second was the example of the faithful Prophets of God who stood firm in difficult times.

第二个榜样是,在患难里忠贞坚信的先知。

- Today, we come to the third example of patience and enduring faithfulness in James, Chapter 5, verse 11.
 今天,我们要讲第三个忠诚忍耐的榜样,它记在雅各书第五章 11 节,
- 6. This name is very familiar to all of us. 我们对他的名字并不陌生。
- 7. His name is Job. 他就是约伯。
- 8. Most often, before the Lord uses a man or a woman in a mighty way, he has to break them; 通常,我们的主要重用祂的儿女之前,总是先破碎他们;
- 9. otherwise, how would they know victory, when they see it, unless they have been through failure and defeat?

 否则,不经过失败和挫折的话,我们就不知 道什么是胜利。
- 10. How would they appreciate the peak of the mountaintop unless they have experienced the valleys?
 没有走过低洼的山谷,就不能为登上高峰而欢喜。

- 11. There can be no victories without battles; 没有上阵作战,就不可能取得胜利;
- 12. and, if you want to enjoy God's blessings, you must be prepared to fight the battles. 你必须准备作战,才能享受神的赐福。
- 13. Paul went to the third Heaven and he experienced marvelous things; 保罗曾经到过三层天上,见过奇妙的事情;
- 14. but, as a direct result, God had to allow a thorn in the flesh to keep him humble.但神把一根刺放在保罗身上,目的就是要让他谦卑下来。
- 15. God has to balance the privileges with responsibilities in our lives. 神会平衡祂放在我们生命中的权利和责任。
- 16. God has to balance the blessings and the burdens or else we become out of balance. 神会权衡我们的福分和担子,否则就会失去平衡。
- 17. You will become like a small, pampered child, and God cannot use spoiled, pampered Christians.
 不经历患难,我们就像一个被宠坏的孩子,而这种基督徒,神是不能使用他的。
- 18. James is adamant at the fact that we will be blessed after we have endured. 雅各坚信,在忍耐之后,必有祝福。
- 19. How come? 为什么呢?
- 20. Well, he said, look at Job. 他说,看看约伯就知道了。
- 21. The Book of Job is a long and rambling book. 约伯记的故事很漫长。
- 22. Someone said to me once, "It's full of speeches..." 其中充满著对话。
- 23. but the Book of Job is basically divided into three sections.约伯记大致可分为三个部分。

- 24. Section one is Chapter 1 to 3, and it describes Job's distress. 第一部分是第一章到第三章,描述了约伯不幸的遭遇。
- 25. Section two is Chapters 4 to 37, and it describes Job's defense. 第二部分是第四章到 37 章,记载了约伯的 自我辩护。
- 26. Section three is Chapters 38 to 42, and it presents Job's deliverance. 第三部分是从 38 章到 42 章,记述了神拯救 约伯的经过。
- 27. First, God humbles Job, then, He honors him. 首先,神让约伯谦卑下来,然后,神再使他得尊荣。
- 28. Of course, Job did not understand all that was going on in terms of the spiritual realm. 当然,约伯起初并不明白灵界里发生的事。
- 29. Job did not comprehend all the spiritual battles between God and His rebellious angel, Satan. 约伯并不理解神与叛徒撒但之间属灵的争战。
- 30. Job's friends were against him and accused him of being a hypocrite. 约伯的三个朋友责怪约伯是一个假冒为善的人。
- 31. Job's circumstances were against him and he lost everything.人人都跟约伯作对,他失去了一切。
- 32. Job's wife was against him and she told him to curse God and die; 什至,连约伯的妻子也反对他,叫他去死, 并咒诅神。
- 33. and it appeared, on the surface, that God was against Job, 的确,从表面看来,神似乎和约伯作对,
- 34. for he had cried out to God for answers and there was no reply;因为他呼求神,神并没有回答他;
- and, yet, Job endured.
 然而,约伯忍受了这一切。
- 36. Satan was convinced that Job would not only crumble under pressure, but he would abandon the faith altogether. 撒但原以为约伯会在压力下崩溃,并且离弃神。
- 37. It did not happen. 事实却不是这样。

- 38. To be sure, he questioned God's will; 不错,他也曾质问神的旨意;
- 39. but Job could say, "Though He slay me, I will hope in Him." 然而,约伯说:"他虽然杀我,我仍对祂有指望。"
- 40. Job was so sure of God's perfect justice that he argued with Him; 因为他深信神是完全公义的,所以他和神争辩;
- 41. but, even when Job did not understand all that God was doing, he trusted Him anyway. 即使约伯不能明白神所做的一切,但他仍然信任神。
- 42. If you are going through a tough time now and you know that you had no hand in making the bed in which you're laying, 假如你正经历患难,而你心里明白那不是你的错造成的,
- 43. you may be questioning God. 也许你会质问神。
- 44. Your friends, perhaps, have turned against you. 也许你的朋友反对你。
- 45. Your family does not understand. 你的家人不理解你。
- 46. Your circumstances are working against you. 你周遭的环境对你很不利。
- 47. Oh, but remember this: 这个时候,你要记住:
- 48. God has a higher purpose in your suffering. 神让你受苦,有更重要的目的。
- 49. God never wastes suffering on His saints. 神从不让他的圣徒白白受苦。
- 50. Just as Job met God on the other end of his suffering in a new and deeper way, so will God meet with you. 正如约伯在经历了苦难以后亲眼看见了神,神也要让你看见祂。
- 51. Just as God brought a double blessing on Job, He is preparing a double blessing for you. 正如神加给约伯双倍的福分,神也要加倍地赐福给你。
- 52. I know what some of you are thinking. 也许有些朋友认为:

- 53. "But, if God is so merciful, why did He permit Job to go through this? "如果神是慈爱的,祂为什么允许苦难临到约伯呢?
- 54. Why did He not just stop it from happening? 神为什么不制止这些事情发生呢?
- 55. Why did God not say, 'No' to Satan? 神为什么不拒绝撒但的无理要求呢?
- 56. God knew what was going to happen." 神知道将会发生什么事呀。"
- 57. The bottom line answer is that my finite mind cannot comprehend or fathom all that God does; 答案是:虽然我们有限的头脑不能理解,也不能想像神的作为;
- 58. but I know this: 但是,我知道一个事实:
- 59. God was glorified and Job was purified through the process.
 那就是:经过试炼,神的名得到了荣耀,约伯生命里的杂质也得以炼净。
- 60. The same thing is true in the difficulties that you are facing or going through right now. 你今天所面对或经历的一切也是同样的道理。
- 61. On the other end of it, God is going to be glorified and you are going to be purified and blessed, if you endure.

 当你忍耐著经过试炼以后,神的名会得到荣耀,你也得到洁净并蒙福。
- 62. When you feel yourself in the fiery furnace, just remember God's loving hand is on the thermostat. 假如你觉得自己正在炽热的火炉中,不要忘记神慈爱的手掌管一切,祂不会容许火焰伤
- 63. Job said, in 23:10, "When He has tried me, I shall come forth as gold." 约伯在 23 章 10 节这样说:"祂试炼我之后,我必如精金。"

害你。

- 64. Satan wants you to be impatient with God. 撒但希望你对神不耐烦。
- 65. Satan wants to use your impatience as a weapon.
 撒但想要利用你的不耐烦作为武器。

- 66. When Satan attacks us, it is to get us to be impatient and go ahead of the Lord and lose God's blessings in the process; 在攻击我们的时候,撒但叫我们对主不耐烦,且走在主的前头,因而失去神的赐福。
- 67. but God's answer is, "My grace is sufficient." 但神对我们说:"我的恩典是够你用的。"
- 68. Abraham got impatient and ended up with Ishmael. 亚伯拉罕没有耐心等下去,结果生了以实玛利。
- 69. Peter's impatience almost made a murderer out of him. 彼得差点儿在气头上杀了人。
- 70. "When you are weak, I'm strong in your weakness." 神说: "我的能力,在你的软弱上显得完全。"
- 71. God will turn Satan's weapon into a tool for building up your spiritual life. 神要把撒但的武器变成建立你生命成长的工具。
- 72. When Satan turns up the heat, run to God and He will immediately refresh you. 虽然撒但引起逼迫,但你要来到神面前,神立刻使你灵魂苏醒。
- 73. When the plowing gets painful, remind yourself that the Day of the Harvest is coming. 耕作的辛苦更提醒你,收割的日子近了。
- 74. When you don't see immediate fruit, remind yourself that God's timing is perfect. 如果你不能立竿见影地看到果效,你要记住,神的时间表是最恰到好处的。
- 75. Verse 12 might not seem to be relevant to the subject of endurance and patience, but it is. 从表面上来看,12 节似乎与恒久忍耐没有多大关联,但实际上,是相关的。
- 76. Listen to it. 请听我读。

AT YOUR DISCRETION, PLEASE READ THE REFERENCED BIBLE PASSAGE HERE, IF TIME PERMITS.

(请读圣经,雅各书5:12)

- 77. If you are an enduring person whose complete trust is in God, your basic character requires only a few words.
 如果你是一个完全信靠神,又忍耐等候神的人,你不需要说很多话来表明你是怎样的人。
- 78. The person who must use many words, including oaths, is not a person who is fully resting in God; 那些必须用很多话、什至发誓才能让别人相信他的人,其实是最不信靠神的人;
- 79. nor is he sure of himself, so he swears to make up for his troubled spirit.
 他也不相信自己,因此他要发咒起誓,以掩饰他内心的不安。
- 80. A friend used to say to me, "Let God be your Defender, and He will do a much better job;" 我的一个朋友常常跟我说:"让神为你辩护,因为祂可以做得更好。"
- 81. and I heed that advice. 我采纳了他的意见。
- 82. Remember when Peter was taking an oath in the court of Caiaphas in front of a slave girl, denying his Master and his Friend, Jesus? 你还记不记得在该亚法的院子里,彼得在一个使女面前发誓否认主耶稣?
- 83. He was giving evidence that his character needed some more work. 这就证明了,彼得的品格是有缺陷的。
- 84. When a person of integrity is confronted about wrong-doing, he or she will admit to it, 一个正直的人在做错事以后,会承认他的错误,
- 85. and ask for forgiveness and move on. 并请求别人的原谅,且重新振作起来。
- 86. A man who's lacking in integrity will lie and swear that he's telling the truth.

 而一个缺德的人,会用谎言,发咒起誓来向人保证他所说的话是真的。
- 87. My listening friends, let your "yea" be "yea" and your "nay" be "nay," 我亲爱的朋友,你们的话,"是"就说"是","不是"就说"不是"。
- 88. because everything you suffered will be restored to you in the Day of the Harvest. 因为到末日收割时,你所受的苦都要得到补偿。

- 89. Your blessings will be multiplied beyond your expectation.
 你的赏赐也要远远大于你所期望的。
- 90. It is my prayer that you will become an enduring believer.
 但愿你能成为一个恒久忍耐的信徒。
- 91. Until next time, we wish you God's richest blessing. 好,我们下次节日再见。原油大大地喝和

好,我们下次节目再见。愿神大大地赐福给 你。