《天路导向》双语讲义

永不放弃 - 8 DON'T EVER GIVE UP - 8

SECTION A

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- Hello my friend thank you for joining us today on "Leading the Way" 亲爱的朋友,感谢你收听今天的「天路导 向」节目。
- 2. In the West 在西方国家,
- 3. We hear things like, "new world order" 我们常听到「新世界秩序」这类的新名词,
- 4. We hear about things like "we are the children of the modern age" 我们常听到「我们是新纪元的一代」这类的说法,
- 5. What has the modern age given us 到底新世代给了我们什么?
- 6. Well in the West 在西方国家,
- 7. It has given us drugs 新世代为我们带来毒品,
- 8. Has given us rebirth of satanic cults 在新世代里撒但邪教重现,
- 9. It has given us rise to crime 罪案上升,
- 10. It has given us wars and rumors of wars 战争和打仗的风声连连。
- 11. What has the modern age given us 新纪元给了我们什么?
- 12. It has given us confusion in the church 它带来教会的混乱,
- 13. It has caused chaos among Christians 它在基督徒中引起纠纷,
- 14. Many of them seem to have lost their way in the world 许多基督徒似乎在这世界洣失了方向。
- 15. He was over the desert 他在旷野之后,

- 16. And he announced to the passengers 他向群众宣布,
- 17. That we have lost our way 我们都迷了路,
- 18. But don't worry 但不用忧愁,
- 19. Because we are making very good time 因为我们仍然很好,
- 20. All this should not surprise us 对于这些现象,我们不会感到惊奇,
- 21. If we understand the Word of God 只要我们明白神的话。
- 22. In the New Testament 在新约圣经里,
- 23. The apostle Paul tells us in II Timothy 3 提摩太后书第三章,使徒保罗对我们说:
- 24. That in the last days 在末世的日子里,
- 25. There will come a time of stress for the believers 信徒会受到压迫。
- 26. The closer we come to the return of Christ 当基督再来的日子越近,
- 27. The worse things will become for Christians 基督徒的处境将会越恶劣。
- 28. There are some people who see the word, the last days 有些人看「末日」这个词,
- 29. As a period of time 是指一段时间。
- 30. Beginning with the ministry of the Lord Jesus 从主耶稣出来传道开始,
- 31. And continues until he returns 一直到主再来为止。
- 32. But as the time draws nearer to a close 但当时间越来越接近终局,

- 33. The days will become more dangerous for Christians 基督徒就会遭遇更多的危险,
- 34. Or hard to deal with 或难于应付的情况,
- 35. Or their savage days 或充满粗暴的日子。
- 36. There are others however 还有其他人认为,
- 37. Who believe that the apostle Paul 他们相信,使徒保罗,
- 38. Has dealt with his current time in the first two chapters of this epistle 在提摩太后书前两章所讨论的是,保罗当时所面对的问题,
- 39. And the beginning of chapter three 但从第三章开始,
- 40. He is prophesying strictly of the days immediately prior to the return of Christ 他说的是预言,讲论基督再来之前的日子将会如何。
- 41. Whichever way you take it, it doesn't matter 无论你怎样理解这段经文都不要紧,
- 42. There is no denying that these are days Paul pictures to us in chapter 3 to be tough days 但不可否认,保罗在第三章里所描述的,是非常艰难的日子。
- 43. I hope that you will be able to read the first 9 verses of that particular chapter 我希望你能够读这一章前九节的经文。
- 44. I have no doubt that these characteristics that Paul talks about 我深信保罗所说的这些特徵,毫无疑问的,
- 45. Have already started in our day 今天都已经开始了,
- 46. And now they are increasing in intensity 而且严重性与日俱增。
- 47. It is not because we have more people in the world 这不是因为世界人口越来越多,
- 48. Or because we have satellite television programs 或因为有卫星转播的电视节目,
- 49. Or better television news coverage 或有更广泛的电视新闻报导,

- 50. No 不是!
- 51. What we are seeing today is that evil is intensifying 今天我们眼目所及,都是邪恶势力的增强,
- 52. Evil becoming more deeply entrenched in our world 罪恶的权势越来越深地根植在这个世界上。
- 53. What we are seeing today 今天我们看见,
- 54. Is that evil is being accepted 魔鬼已被人接纳,
- 55. And is being portrayed in society in a bolder way 在社会中明目张胆地被人渲染。
- 56. What we are seeing today 今天我们看见,
- 57. Is more than a small pocket of rebellion here and there 反叛的事,不再是突发事件而已。
- 58. What we are seeing today 今天我们看见,
- 59. Is that all of society seems to be in ferment 各个社会好像都在动荡中,
- 60. All of society seems to be in rebellion 各个社会好像都在叛变中,
- 61. From Bosnia to Somalia 从波斯尼亚到索马里,
- 62. From Europe to the Middle East 从欧洲到中东,
- 63. From the United States to Rwanda 从美国到非洲的卢旺达。
- 64. And the prophet Jeremiah has warned us years ago 许久以前,先知耶利米早已警告我们,
- 65. When they say, peace, peace, watch out 当人说,「平安了,平安了」,你要小心,
- 66. There is the beginning of trouble 那是灾祸的起头。
- 67. We were told that after the collapse of the Soviet empire there was going to be peace 有人说,当苏联解体之后就会有和平了,
- 68. Instead we are living in terrible times 但我们仍然活在恐怖的日子里。

- 69. Paul begins by telling Timothy 保罗一开始就对提摩太说:
- 70. In verse 1 of chapter 3 在第三章第一节,
- 71. Understand this 「你该知道」,
- 72. What is this that he needs to understand 提摩太需要知道什么?
- 73. He said don't be surprised at this 他说,不要感到惊奇,
- 74. This is all expected 一切都在预料之内。
- 75. This is not just a passing storm 这不是一场不测风云,
- 76. This must come to pass 这场暴风雨必定来临。
- 77. On the one hand 一方面,
- 78. Don't let this melt your heart 不要让它使你心惊胆战;
- 79. On the other hand 另一方面,
- 80. Don't let it cause you to give up 你不要因此放弃。
- 81. The word here difficult times is a very important word 这里用「危险的日子」,是很关键的词语,
- 82. It describes a person who is being surrounded by wild beasts
 形容一个人好像被猛兽围困住,
- 83. Or it means that somebody is standing in the midst of a raging sea 又或是一个人站在惊涛骇浪中。
- 84. The only other time this particular word is used in the New Testament is in Matthew 8:28 圣经里只有另一处用到这个词,那就是马太福音八章廿八节,
- 85. That word describes the demonic Gadarenes 这个词用来形容被鬼附的加大拉人,
- 86. He was a savage and untamed as a beast 他是个像野兽般残暴而凶狠的人。
- 87. So that gives you an idea of how fierce these last days are going to be 这样你就可以想像末日是多么的狂暴,

- 88. They will be both painful and hard to cope with 将会是既痛苦又难熬的日子。
- 89. But I want to tell you today 但今天我要告诉你,
- 90. That no matter how hard these days are going to be 无论这些日子多么艰难,
- 91. God in heaven is not sitting down in the throne room in heaven 天上的神并不是无奈地坐在宝座上,
- 92. With his hand on his heart 双手按著胸口,
- 93. And taking medicine for his stomach 猛吞胃药,
- 94. Worried about what's going to happen 担心有什么事发生。
- 95. In the book of Revelation, John tells us 约翰在启示录说:
- 96. That God is sitting in the very throne room 神威严地坐在宝座上,
- 97. And he sees the future 约翰看见未来,
- 98. And he tells us that we win 他说,我们会得胜!
- 99. Not maybe we win 他不是说,我们大概会得胜;

SECTION B

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- 1. Not possibly we win 他不是说,我们可能会得胜;
- 2. No matter how hard these days will be 无论那些日子是如何艰难,
- 3. We already have the victory 我们已经获得胜利。
- 4. Paul goes on in verses 2 to 9 保罗继续在第 2 至第 9 节里,
- 5. To paint for us a portrait of these people who will cause us trouble in those last days 他描绘在那末世的日子里,有人会找麻烦,
- 6. There are three things that you notice about them 你留意他们三件事,

- 7. In verses 2, 3, and 4 在第 2, 3, 4 节,
- 8. Notice their moral conduct 留意他们的道德操守。
- 9. In verse 5 在第 5 节,
- 10. Notice their religious zeal 留意他们的宗教狂热。
- 11. In verses 6 to 9 在第 6 至 9 节,
- 12. Notice their proselytizing fanaticism 留意他们疯狂的宗教变革。
- 13. Now let us look at the first one 现在让我们看第一项,
- 14. Their moral conduct 他们的道德操守。
- 15. What is their moral conduct like 他们的道德操守是怎样的?
- 16. In the very short verses, three short verse, Paul gives us no less than 19 expressions 在短短的几节经文,三小节里,保罗至少列出 19 个形容词,
- 17. And each one of those describes the wickedness of these people 而每一个都是形容这些人的邪恶,
- 18. And they are the ones who are going to cause the believers hard times 他们就是给基督徒找麻烦的人。
- 19. The first and the last descriptions summarize who they are 最先和最后的一个形容词总括了他们是谁,
- 20. First they are lovers of self 首先,他们是专顾自己的人,
- 21. And the last is that they are not lovers of God 最后一样是他们不爱神。
- 22. Indeed four out of the 19 descriptions have to do with love 实际上,十九个形容词里有四个是关于爱的,
- 23. Which tells us that they have misdirected love 这里说,他们爱错了对象,
- 24. They love nothing but self 他们不爱任何人,只爱自己;
- 25. They love nothing but money 他们惟独爱金钱,

- 26. And the other 15 descriptions illustrate without a shadow of doubt what is beginning to happen in societies around the world today 其他 15 项的形容词,毫无疑问都说明了世界各地现今的实况,
- 27. Right now 就是现在,
- 28. We have break down of relationships between people 人与人之间关系破裂,
- 29. Ethnic wars are taking place all over the world 世界各处都有种族战争,
- 30. And those who love themselves become proud 那些单单爱自己的人越来越狂傲,
- 31. And arrogant 自大;
- 32. And then the next 5 descriptions illustrate 跟著的 5 个形容词说明了,
- 33. What is beginning to happen to young people around the world 发生在全世界青年人身上的情况,
- 34. Disobedience to parents instead of reverence and respect 叛逆、不尊重父母。
- 35. I hope that we have young people that are listening to us today 我希望今天有年轻人在收听节目,
- 36. I want to tell you that your parents may not be always right 我想告诉你,你的父母未必百分之百都对,
- 37. But they are your leaders under God 但他们是在神之下领导你的人。
- 38. The Bible said 圣经说:
- 39. Children obey your parents for this is right 作儿女的,要听从父母,因这是正确的。
- 40. It doesn't say you have to agree with them 这不是说,你样样都要同意他们,
- 41. It doesn't say that you have to analyze every decision they make 也不是说,你要分析他们所作的每一个决定,
- 42. That you have to contradict every statement that they make 并对他们所说的每句话一一反驳。

- 43. The Bible said to honor your father and mother for this is right圣经说,要孝敬父母,这是理所当然的,
- 44. Otherwise you may live to regret your disobedience to your parents for the rest of your life

否则,你会为自己叛逆父母而后悔一辈子。

- 45. And the other thing that we notice these days 我们在这些日子留意到另一件事,
- 46. That young people are becoming ungrateful 年青人越来越忘恩负义,
- 47. They are devoid of appreciation 他们不懂得欣赏和感激别人所做的,
- 48. Many teenagers think that their parents owe them a perpetual good time 许多青少年人认为父母无穷尽地欠他们的债。
- 49. To be thankful for what your parents are doing for you 要感激父母为你所做的一切,
- 50. And to be thankful for what they've given to you 要感激父母给予你的一切,
- 51. And not to be ungrateful and take what they give you for granted 不可忘恩负义,以为他们所给你的是他们该给的,
- 52. That honors God 孝敬父母就是尊崇神。
- 53. Another sign of the last days is that our children will be devoid of normal affections 末世的另一个特徵就是,我们的儿女将会缺乏正常的感情,
- 54. But in Christian homes, this ought not to be 但在基督徒的家庭里,这种情况不应该发生。
- 55. Love and affection 爱和亲情,
- 56. Gratitude and respect 感恩和敬重,
- 57. Characterize parents and children and their relationship with each other 是亲子关系应有的特质。
- 58. Then the remaining seven words description goes beyond the family 还有馀下的七个形容词,谈到家庭以外的事,

- 59. It talks about back biting 关于背后恶意的中伤,
- 60. Or scandal mongers 说长道短、散播丑闻,
- 61. Lack of self control 缺乏自律,
- 62. But the thing that jumps out of these verses in connection with self-centerdness 而这些经文所说的事,都与自我中心有关,
- 63. It is the absence of restraint 就是缺乏克制。
- 64. The more self-centered people become 若有越多自我中心的人,
- 65. The less moral the society will be 社会的道德标准就越低落;
- 66. The more self-indulgence and self-gratifying we seek 当人越是放纵自己的情欲,追求自我满足,
- 67. The less purity will be manifested 就越显得不纯洁;
- 68. The more self-loving we exercise 我们越是自私自利,
- 69. The more we see the boundaries of decency come tumbling down 就会看见正直公义崩溃得越厉害;
- 70. These two go together 两者是携手并进的,
- 71. One is the result of the other 它们互为因果。
- 72. No amount of legislation will help 立再多的法律,都不能解决问题,
- 73. No amount of education will help 受再多的教育,也不能解决问题,
- 74. No amount of information will help 拥有再多的资讯,都于事无补,
- 75. Only the gospel of Jesus Christ can change the heart 只有耶稣基督的福音才能改变人心。
- 76. It may come as a shock to you that the people that Paul is talking about and describing here in verse 5 were religious people 你也许会感到震惊,保罗在第 5 节所谈论、所形容的是宗教人士,
- 77. It is a shameful confession but it is true 这是羞耻的,但却是事实,

- 78. That religion and morality have been more often divorced than they have been married 宗教与道德分家的时候,往往比结合的时候多。
- 79. The prophets of old 古代的先知,
- 80. Thunder against religious people who were devoid of morality 痛斥宗教人士不道德的行为,
- 81. Amos tells us that in Israel during the reign of Jeroboam the II 阿摩司说,以色列人在耶罗波安二世统治期间,
- 82. While there was a boom in religion and religious activities 那时的宗教及宗教活动蓬勃起来,
- 83. There were utter collapse in morality 但在道德方面却分崩离析。
- 84. Not only that 不单是这样,
- 85. But in Amos chapter 2 and verse 8 we are told 在阿摩司书 2 章第 8 节里提到,
- 86. That immorality has invaded even the religious practices
 不道德的行为什至侵入了宗教礼仪中。
- 87. Isaiah deplores the same thing in Judah 以赛亚为犹大感到伤痛,因为那里有同样的事发生。
- 88. When you spread forth your hand says the Lord 主说:你们举手祷告,
- 89. I hide my face from you 我必遮眼不看;
- 90. Even though you make many prayers 就是你们多多的祈祷,
- 91. I will not listen 我也不听。
- 92. God is not impressed with the pomp and the ceremony 神不会为壮观的宗教仪式所动,
- 93. God is not impressed with the right rituals 神不会为一板一眼的礼仪所动,
- 94. When at the same time they are winking at sin 因为当他们行礼如仪时,却无视于罪恶。
- 95. In the gospel of Matthew 在马太福音,

- 96. Jesus told the Pharisees the same thing 耶稣对法利赛人说同样的话,
- 97. In Matthew 23 and 25 在马太福音 23 和 25 章,
- 98. He said the following 祂这样说:
- 99. You cleansed the outside of the cup and the plate 你们洗净杯盘的外面,

SECTION C

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- But inside they are full of extortion and selfindulgence 里面却盛满了勒索和放荡。
- 2. The same thing was rampant in the days of the apostle Paul 在使徒保罗的年代,情况更加猖狂。
- 3. They pretended the outward form of religion 他们假装有敬虔宗教的外表形式,
- 4. But they were denying its power 却否定信仰的能力,
- 5. Is form without power 只有形式,而没有能力,
- 6. Outward show without inward reality 有外在的展示,却没有真实的内涵;
- 7. It is religion without moral demand 是没有道德要求的宗教信仰,
- 8. It was an impression without confession 只有空洞的概念,没有真实的悔改,
- 9. But true religion must combine both form and power 但真正的宗教必须结合形式和能力,
- 10. True religious bonds spiritual worship with living proof 真正的宗教必须结合属灵的敬拜和生活的见证。
- 11. No wonder the apostle Paul tells Timothy to avoid such people 雅怪使徒保罗叫提摩太避开这些人,
- 12. It doesn't mean that he avoids sinners and the lost 但不是说要避开罪人和迷失的人,
- 13. No 不是,

- 14. Jesus himself befriended sinners 耶稣自己也与罪人做朋友,
- 15. Paul was saying to avoid those false teachers of unrighteousness 保罗是说要避开那些不义的假师傅。
- 16. Finally I want you to look at the proselytizing fanaticism 最后,请看那些疯狂的宗教变革,
- 17. In verses 6 to 9 在第 6 至第 9 节,
- 18. These godless lovers of self 这些不敬虔又自私的人,
- 19. Not only profess religion at the very superficial and outward level 不仅他们信仰的表现很肤浅,很表面,
- 20. They want to ram the type of superficiality down the throats of others 他们还向人强行灌输这种只重表面的宗教形式;
- 21. They are militant about their perversion 为他们的旁门左道辩护斗争;
- 22. They are hostile toward anyone who would not accept their brand of religion 对任何不接受他们宗教旗号的人满怀敌意;
- 23. They are conniving and scheming 他们暗怀鬼胎,
- 24. They speak with both sides of their mouth 他们一口两舌,
- 25. They tell you what they think you want to hear 他们故意说些讨你欢心的话,
- 26. Only to blind side you on the other hand 却要你疏于防备。
- 27. In verse 6 在第 6 节,
- 28. Paul talks about how they take advantage of weak women 保罗说他们仗势欺凌弱质妇女,
- 29. Their form of deception is designed to deceive good women 他们刻意欺骗良家妇女。
- 30. I want to tell Christian mothers to listen very carefully 身为基督徒母亲的朋友,请留心听著,

- 31. You have the holiest and the most sacred and the most God-honoring call of anyone 神托付给你们的使命是最神圣又最尊荣神的,
- 32. Don't let anyone to mislead you or intimidate you 不要被人误导或恐吓,
- 33. Don't let anyone manipulate you 不要受人恶意操控,
- 34. Don't let anyone try to dominate you 不要被人强行支配,
- 35. Paul is saying that these women who are weak in character are misled by this deception 保罗说无知的妇女被人迷惑欺骗,
- 36. Especially if they are filled with false guilt 尤其是那些心中充满了错误罪疚感的人。
- 37. In verse 8 在第 8 节,
- 38. He said the following 保罗说:
- 39. He said, these salesmen of deceit are like Jannes and Jambres 他说,这些欺骗者好像雅尼和佯庇,
- 40. Who are they 他们是谁?
- 41. These were the two magicians who came to Pharaoh's palace and did magic tricks like Moses 他们就是当年在埃及法老的皇宫里,企图模仿摩西的神迹,来变戏法的术士。
- 42. Be careful who claim a miracle a minute and don't give God the glory 要小心那些行神迹,却不归荣耀给神的人。
- 43. Moses taught the law 摩西教导律法,
- 44. Paul preached the gospel 保罗传讲福音,
- 45. But whether it is the law or the gospel 但无论是律法或是福音,
- 46. Whether it is the teaching of Moses or the preaching of Paul 无论是摩西的教训或是保罗的传讲,
- 47. It is God's truth that people oppose and reject 其实,人们所反对和抗拒的是神的真理。

- 48. We need not be afraid of back door religious traders 我们不需要害怕那些走后门贩卖宗教信仰之徒,
- 49. And if a few weak people may have been taken in 少数无知的人可能会上当受骗,
- 50. You stand firm 你要站立得稳。
- 51. If falsehood becomes fashionable 如果错谬的假道流行起来,
- 52. When it becomes acceptable in society 当社会也接受他们那一套时,
- 53. But we must stand firm, never, never, never to give up 我们必须站立得稳,永远、永远不放弃。
- 54. Falsehood and deception need to be exposed and repudiated 要揭穿并弃绝错谬的假道和骗人的谎言,
- 55. That is why we have finally the good news in verse 9因此,我们终于在第9节那里看到好消息,
- 56. And the good news is this 这好消息就是,
- 57. These false teachers will not ultimately succeed 最后,这些假师傅必不能成功。
- 58. In God's field 在神的禾田里,
- 59. Which is the whole world 也就是全世界,
- 60. Where God has sown wheat 神已经播下麦种,
- 61. The devil comes along and he sows weeds 魔鬼却来撒播野草,
- 62. The devil has his secret agents right inside the churches 魔鬼的密探正渗入教会里,
- 63. Yes, inside the churches 是的,就在教会内部,
- 64. Among the professing believers 在那些自称为基督徒的人当中。
- 65. They are lovers of self 他们自私自利,
- 66. They are lovers of money and pleasures 他们贪爱金钱和享乐,

- 67. Rather than being lovers of God and people 却不爱神、不爱人,
- 68. They have the form of religion but deny it's power 他们有敬虔的外貌,却没有属灵的能力,
- 69. They oppose the truth and seek to mislead the weak 他们敌挡真理,并迷惑无知的人。
- 70. But for all you Timothy's out there who are listening to me 但若你就像提摩太一样,请留心听著,
- 71. Paul is saying to you 保罗是对你说话,
- 72. Don't catch that disease 不要染上那种疾病,
- 73. Don't be carried away by the flood tide 不要随波逐流,
- 74. But stand up bolding against the prevailing fashion 倒要坚决地对抗潮流,
- 75. God will bless you as you do 你若这样做,神必赐福给你,
- 76. Good bye 再会!