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SECTION A

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- 1. Hello our listening friends and welcome to this broadcast.
 - 亲爱的朋友, 你好, 欢迎你。
- 2. We are glad that you have tuned in to listen to this program.
 - 很高兴你收听这个节目。
- 3. We are coming very close to concluding our series of messages on the life of Abraham. 我们讲亚伯拉罕的生平已近尾声了。
- 4. And I want to begin by telling you about a well-known fact.
 - 首先,我想告诉你一件大家都知道的事实。
- 5. And that is that all of the ancient gods and goddesses and their modern manifestations... have one common message. 古今中外的满天神佛,都传达着一个共同的信息。
- 6. The message is one word. 这信息只有一个中心。
- 7. **SELF**. 就是"自我"。
- 8. Whether you turn this message sideways or upside down...
 - 无论你将这信息如何千变万化,
- 9. whether you dress it up in religious dress... or put it in a secular suit, 无论你把它用宗教或世俗的外衣如何地包 些
- 10. whether you cover it up... or you display it... 无论你将它隐藏或是公开,
- 12. the goddess of self... is at the core of all rebellion. 将自我神化,是一切反叛的核心。

- 13. The goddess of self... is at the very root of all unbelief.
 - 将自我神化,是一切不信的根源。
- 14. Self is often frantically trying to unseat the living God from His rightful place in our lives. "自我"总是想尽办法要把神从我们生命中应有的地位上赶下来。
- 15. Self is forever demanding our allegiance... "自我"永远要求我们对它忠诚。
- 16. demanding our time... 要求我们的时间。
- 17. demanding our energy... 要求我们的精力。
- 18. self is forever demanding our money... "自我"也总是要求我们的金钱。
- 19. and our attention. 以及我们的注意力。
- 21. "The most pleasurable journey you can take is through your self..."
 "最开心的旅程就是能随心所欲,
- 22. "The only sustaining love involvement is with yourself..." 唯一持久的爱就是对自己的爱。"
- 23. When you look back on your life and try to figure out where you have been and where you are going..."
 当你回顾你的一生,想想你曾何去何从,"
- 24. she continues to say "when you examine all of that closely..."她接着说: "当你仔细思考,
- 25. "what you really find out is that the only person that matters is yourself." 你会发现最重要的就是你自己。"
- 26. End of quote. 这就是她所说的。

- 27. As this religion of self is constantly preached throughout the movies and through television... 这个崇尚自我的宗教,不断借着电影和电视来传播信息,
- 28. you will find that even church goers have developed a sentimental type of self-centered Christianity. 你会发现什至在某些基督徒的心中,也因着感情用事而形成一套自我中心的基督教信仰。
- 29. Because of the incredible impact of this type of message of divine self,
 因为这种将自我神化的信息,就像一股难以想象的浪潮冲激着我们,
- 30. today's Christians have shaped an image of God that is more like "self" than the God of the Bible.
 以至于在今天基督徒的心目中,塑造出一种神的形像,更像自我而不像圣经里的神。
- 31. Yet God's design... and God's desire... is for Christians to have a true Biblical perspective. 然而神的计划,及神的旨意是要基督徒遵从圣经的真理。
- 32. God's design... and God's desire is for us to know Him as He has revealed Himself to us... 神的计划,及神的旨意是要我们按照祂所启示的来认识祂,
- 33. and not the way that we would like Him to be. 并不是我们自己心目中所塑造的神。
- 34. God's design... and God's desire... is that we may know Him... love Him... and worship Him... 神的计划,及祂的旨意是要我们认识祂,爱祂,并敬拜祂。
- 35. even if we don't understand all that He does. 纵使我们不明白祂所作的一切。
- 36. God's design... and God's desire... is for us to obey Him and to trust Him... 神的计划,及祂的旨意,是要我们顺服和信靠祂。
- 37. even when His ways and means are not fathomable to our puny brains. 纵使我们小小的头脑不能测透神做事的方法。
- 38. For those of you joining this broadcast for the first time, 如果你这是第一次收听这个节目,

- 39. we have come to the end of the study of Abraham.我们研究亚伯拉罕的生平,已接近尾声了。
- 40. Today, we are going to find that God puts Abraham to the test. 今天,我们要看神如何考验亚伯拉罕。
- 41. It is a test we do not fully comprehend... 这个考验,我们无法完全明了。
- 42. a test that we can't fully understand... 这个考验,我们无法完全理解。
- 43. but it is a test that has magnificent results. 但这个考验却有伟大而高贵的结果。
- 44. Today, Abraham graduates with a spiritual doctorate of philosophy. 如今亚伯拉罕终于可以毕业,取得属灵的博士学位。
- 45. Abraham passed Elementary school when he finally left Haran and went to Bethel. 当年,亚伯拉罕毅然离开哈兰去伯特利时,等于是小学毕业。
- 46. Then he passed Middle School and the adolescent years when He came out of Egypt. 当他离开埃及时,就好像进入青春期,刚刚初中毕业。
- 47. Then he graduated from High School when he let his nephew Lot go his own way. 当他让侄儿罗得自由选择他所要走的方向时,亚伯拉罕算是从高中毕业了。
- 48. In college, Abraham learned that the "Do-It-Yourself" type of religion was useless... and painful.
 在属灵的大学里,亚伯拉罕领悟到,在信仰上"一切靠自己"不但徒劳无功,而且是极其痛苦的。
- 49. So after graduating from college... he went through 13 years of a spiritual slump. 因此,当他从大学毕业后,他经历了 13 年 属灵的低潮。
- 50. In post-graduate school, he went through the test of letting Ishmael and Hagar go. 后来他接受硕士班考试,也就是让以实玛利和夏甲离开他。
- 51. And today, we see Abraham finally coming through his comprehensive examinations with flying colors.
 今天,我们要看亚伯拉罕经历最后的考验,并获得了极优异的成绩。

- 52. Turn with me to Genesis 22 and verse 1. 请翻到创世记 22 章第 1 节。
- 53. And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, (Gen 22:1a KJV) 这些事以后,神要试验亚伯拉罕。
- 54. What is "After these things." "这些事以后",指的是什么?
- 55. Everything in Abraham's life has been building up to this moment of testing. 过去亚伯拉罕生命中所遭遇的一切,都是要装备他接受这一刻的考验。
- 56. My listening friends, please listen carefully. 亲爱的朋友,请留心听着。
- 57. There is no doubt that God wants to mature His people.
 神愿意祂的子民不断长进趋向成熟,这是无可置疑的。
- 58. And, the way He does that... 祂使用的方法就是,
- 59. by permitting testing in our lives. 容许我们的生命里有考验。
- 60. Now, if I was in charge... and not God... I would exempt all Christians from trials and testing.
 如果是由我代替神作决定的话,我会免除一切基督徒的考验。
- 61. I would have spared believers any trouble. 我会免去基督徒所有的烦恼。
- 62. My reasoning would be this simple. 我的理由很简单,
- 63. We could win more friends that way. 这样,我们可以广得人心,有更多的朋友。
- 64. We could win more disciples that way. 有更多的人成为门徒。
- 65. It was Saint Theresa who was quoted to have said to the Lord: 特蕾莎修女曾这样对主祷告说:
- 66. "If that is the way you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few!"
 "如果这就是你对待朋友之道,难怪你的朋友寥寥无几!"
- 67. Again my friends, please listen carefully. 亲爱的朋友,请再留心听着。
- 68. A trouble free life is not the way God matures His saints. 没有烦恼的生命,不能使圣徒成熟。

- 69. We must go through the valley of testing in order to get to the mountain of triumph. 我们必须经历考验的低谷,才能到达胜利的高峰。
- 70. We must go through Gethsemane in order to experience the resurrection. 我们必须先经过客西马尼园,才会有死而复活的经历。
- 71. We must endure the cross if we are to receive the crown. 我们必须忍受过十字架的痛苦,才可以接受荣耀的冠冕。
- 72. Testing is not a strange thing for the Saints of God.
 对神的圣徒来说,"考验"不足为怪。
- 73. Many Christians have grown comfortable and filled with false sentimentality about the Christian faith. 许多基督徒在舒适的环境中成长,他们的信心只是些虚幻的感情。
- 74. They talk about loving God... and yet are not willing to give up anything, let alone everything, for him.
 他们谈论如何爱神,却不愿意为神放弃任何事物,更别提"全然奉献"了。
- 75. For Abraham... "everything" was a five letter word...
 对亚伯拉罕来说,他所有的一切就是,
- 76. **ISAAC**. 以撒。
- 77. Isaac... the child of promise. 以撒是神应许给他的儿子。
- 78. Isaac... the child of his old age. 以撒是他年老时所生的儿子。
- 79. Isaac... the hope of his future. 以撒是他对未来的希望。
- 80. Isaac... the treasure of his life. 以撒是他生命的珍宝。
- 81. Isaac... the child for whom Abraham waited 25 years.
 以撒是亚伯拉罕等了 25 年才生下的儿子。
- 82. In verse 1 of chapter 22 "After these things" 在创世记 22 章第 1 节说: "这些事以 后",
- 83. You see, Abraham must have focused on Isaac. 要知道,这时的亚伯拉罕必定是将一切注意力都集中在以撒身上。

- 84. Abraham must have poured all of his hopes and dreams and aspirations on Isaac. 亚伯拉罕将所有的希望、梦想和期盼都寄托在以撒身上。
- 85. Abraham must have been obsessed with Isaac. 亚伯拉罕的全副心思都被以撒占据了。
- 86. Abraham must have made an idol out of Isaac. 亚伯拉罕什至把以撒当作他心中的偶像。
- 87. Let me tell you a fact. 让我告诉你一件事实。
- 88. God does not like to be in second place. 神不喜悦人把祂放在第二位上,
- 89. Either He is in first place or He is in no place at all.

 祂要不是居首位,就是毫无地位。
- 90. Someone said to me years ago: 几年前,有人对我说:
- 91. "I cannot comprehend that God would ask anyone to do such a terrible thing!" "我不能理解神怎么会叫人做那么恐怖的事!"
- 92. I understood how he felt... who wouldn't? 我明白他的感受,谁不觉得恐怖呢?
- 93. But my answer to him was this. 但我的答案是:
- 94. Abraham lived at a time when human sacrifice was accepted. 亚伯拉罕所处的社会,以人为祭牲是当时的风俗。
- 95. It was a common practice among the pagan nations that surrounded him. 在他周围那些不信真神的民族当中,这是很惯常的做法。
- 96. What Abraham did not know was that his God wouldn't require him to offer his son as a burnt offering... like the other gods. 亚伯拉罕并不知道,神其实不是要求他将自己的儿子烧为祭牲,就像拜其他神的宗教仪式那样;
- 97. Abraham did not know that His God was only testing him.
 亚伯拉罕并不知道,神只是想考验他。
- 98. Listen to what God said, 听听神怎样说:
- 99. "Take your son, " 你带着你的儿子,

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- your only son, 就是你独生的儿子,
- 2. Isaac, 以撒,
- 3. whom you love, 你所爱的,
- 4. and go to the region of Moriah. 往摩利亚地去,
- 5. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about." 在我所要指示你的山上,把他献为燔祭。
- 6. I cannot imagine any knife that could cut any deeper into a Father's heart... like these words. 我很难想象,这些话刺透一位父亲的心,所造成的创伤有多深。
- 7. But what is truly amazing here is that there is no evidence that Abraham argued with God. 但很奇怪,这里完全没有提到亚伯拉罕与神有任何争论。
- 8. Any one of us would have said many things. 如果是我们,任何一个人都会有许多话说。
- 9. "Wait a minute Lord!" "主啊!慢着!"
- 10. "Do you know what you are saying?" "你说什么?"
- 11. "This is the son of the promise!" "这可是你应许给我的儿子啊!"
- 12. "Lord, I have a thousand rams... I give them all to you."
 - "主啊!我有一千只羊,全部都献给你。"
- 13. "Lord, I have thousands of heads of cattle, they are all yours... take them!"
 "主啊!我有一千头牛,都给你了,拿去吧!"
- 14. Or "Lord, take me, I have lived all these years, take my life instead." 或者说: "主啊,让我来吧,我活得够久了,用我的命顶替吧!"
- 15. "Lord, do you understand the implication here?"
 "主啊,你到底明不明白其中的涵义呀?"
- 16. "Lord, your promise will go down the drain." "主啊,你的应许岂不是付诸东流了吗?"

- 17. "Lord, your reputation will be marred in the land."
 - "主啊,你的名誉将受到损害。"
- 18. "Lord, my testimony will be tarnished forever." "主啊,我为你所作的见证就从此失色 了。"
- 19. Yet none of that seemed to be Abraham's response. 然而事实上,亚伯拉罕并没有这样反应。
- 20. Abraham's response was that of submission. 亚伯拉罕的反应只是顺服。
- 21. Abraham's response was that of obedience. 亚伯拉罕的反应就是服从。
- 22. What was his secret? 他的秘诀是什么?
- 23. Abraham, at this point of his life had learned not to limit God with human experience. 亚伯拉罕在人生这个阶段已经学会了,不以人的经验来限制神。
- 24. I don't want you to overlook the little detail of the fact that it was a three days journey. 我希望你不要忽视这短短三天的旅程。
- 25. It is one thing to be assigned a distasteful task... and be able to get it out of the way quickly. 如果你被派去执行一件令人讨厌的任务,最好就是尽快解决它。
- 26. And it is quite another thing to have to stretch the distasteful task out over a long period of time.

 否则,如果将那令人讨厌的任务拖延下去,就会更痛苦。
- 27. We do not know how Abraham handled the inner pain during those three days. 我们不知道亚伯拉罕在这三天里如何处理他内心的痛苦。
- 28. We don't know the level of anguish during those three days... that must have felt like three years. 我们不知道这三天里,亚伯拉罕的焦虑达到什么程度,他很可能度日如年。
- 29. When they got to the bottom of the mountain, Abraham told the two servants something very curious. 当他们到达山脚时,亚伯拉罕对两个仆人说了些很古怪的话。
- 30. Verse 5 of chapter 22 of the book of Genesis. 在创世记 22 章第 5 节。

- 31. Let us read it. 让我们读出:
- 32. He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

(Gen 22:5 NIV)

亚伯拉罕对他的仆人说,你们和驴在此等 候,我与童子往那里去拜一拜,就回到你们 这里来。

- 33. You notice Abraham used the word "we." 你留意亚伯拉罕用"我们"这样的字眼。
- 34. Abraham knew that if Isaac died he would have been resurrected from the dead. 亚伯拉罕知道,就算以撒死了,也必定会从死里复活过来。
- 35. Abraham believed that the God who rejuvenated Sarah's dead womb would bring Isaac back to life. 亚伯拉罕相信神既然能够会恢复撒拉生育的能力,祂必定能使以撒复活。
- 36. Abraham believed that both of them would come back to the servants. 亚伯拉罕相信他们二人必定会回到仆人那里。
- 37. And that is how strong his faith in God had become. 这就看出如今亚伯拉罕对神的信心如何坚定了。
- 38. And here, perhaps, we can observe from the human perspective... 或者让我们从人类的角度来看,
- 39. How both the Father and the Son must have felt when the Son hung on the cross in Calvary. 当神的儿子被挂在迦略山的十字架上时,天父与神子有何感受?
- 40. And I want you to tune in next time and I will tell you all about the relationship between Abraham and the Cross of Christ. 请你下次继续收听,我会告诉你亚伯拉罕与基督十字架的关系。
- 41. I don't want you to miss this very important last message. 请不要错过最后一个非常重要的信息。
- 42. I will look forward to speaking to in the next broadcast. 我期待着下次节目再与你谈话。

43. Until the next time, I wish you God's richest blessing. 愿神大大的赐福给你,下次再会!