## 《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

## 上帝的方法 - 7 HOW GOD WORKS - 7

- 1. Hello listening friends, we are glad you joined us one more time. 亲爱的朋友你好,很高兴你能收听我们的节
- 2. We have been going through a series of messages entitled, "How God Works". 近来我们所讲的系列信息是"上帝的方法"。
- 3. I want to speak to you today, especially about the effect of the world upon the believers. 今天我特别要和你谈谈关于世界对基督徒的影响,
- 4. The problem with the majority of people today is this. 如今大多数人所面对的问题就在此。
- 5. And before I tell you what the problem is, I can tell you that the Christians are no exception. 首先让我告诉你,基督徒并不例外,
- 6. There are fewer and fewer people who really love God these days, 近来,真正爱神的人越来越少,
- 7. few and few who really work with their heart for God, 越来越少人愿意全心事奉神,
- 8. very few who are trying to make God known. 愿意传扬神的名的人实在不多。
- 9. The vast majority of Christians just sit in the church pews and do nothing.
  大部分基督徒只是安坐在教堂里,其他什么事都不做。
- 10. But the Bible tells us that we cannot win if we sit as spectators.但圣经告诉我们,做个旁观者将一事无成。
- 11. Sometimes the church reminds me of a football game, 有时,教会就像一场足球赛,
- 12. there are 20 very tired, but healthy players, 20 个疲于奔命却很健康的球员,

- 13. and being watched by tens of thousands of unhealthy spectators.
  观众席上却坐着数以千计,不大健康的观众。
- 14. Today we are going to look at the centerpiece in the life of Elijah.今天我们要来看以利亚生命中最重要的一页。
- 15. We will find him in hand to hand combat while the masses of the people of Israel were indifferent and skeptical, 他处身于一场激烈的战斗,然而以色列群众却袖手旁观,
- 16. there he stands on the top of Mt. Carmel. 他独自站立在迦密山上。
- 17. Before I continue, I want to remind you that we are in the midst of a series of messages entitled, "How God Works".
  在我继续往下讲之前,让我再提一提,现在所讲的是"上帝的方法"这一系列的信息。
- 18. And the way God works with Elijah to be more specific.
  具体的说,就是神造就以利亚的作为。
- 19. If you have a Bible, turn to I Kings chapter 18, 如果你手头有圣经,请翻到列王纪上 18 章,
- 20. I want to talk to you a little bit about the real recipe for a disaster, 我想和你稍微谈谈灾祸产生的因素,
- 21. and this recipe works in the church or the community or in the home.
  在教会、社区和家庭中都有同样的情况。
- 22. And it is to have a godless leadership and confused followers. 就是不信真神的领袖,带领着糊里糊涂的群众。
- 23. That is the recipe for disaster. 必然产生灾祸。
- 24. And that's precisely what you will find here in I Kings 18, 列王纪上 18 章中所记载的正是这情况,

- 25. probably this is one of the most dramatic moments in Biblical history. 很可能这是圣经历史中最戏剧性的一刻。
- 26. If I were a movie producer, 我若是一个电影制片家,
- 27. this would be my highest dramatic production. 这将是我最戏剧性的作品。
- 28. But since I am not, 既然我不是,
- 29. I want you to use your imagination. 就请运用你的想象力吧。
- 30. I want you to transfer you in your imagination to the place on Mt. Carmel where this event took place.
  借着你的想象力,把你自己置身于迦密山上,看看整件事吧!
- There the prophet Elijah confronts this weak king.
   先知以利亚和懦弱的国王对峙,
- 32. Ahab, who compromised his faith and allowed his wicked, godless queen to desecrate the nation by entertaining 850 of the prophets of Baal and Asteroft.
  亚哈王在信仰上与他那邪恶的、拜偶像的皇后妥协,容让她用 850 个供奉巴力和亚舍拉的先知,败坏整个国家。
- 33. And all of these wicked prophets of Baal were paid by the state of Israel. 原来这些拜巴力的邪教先知是由以色列国家供养的。
- 34. This king did all of that, 这个王就是这么作的,
- 35. and yet when he got into trouble, 但当他惹出祸来,
- 36. he blamed Elijah for the nations disaster. 他把国家遭殃的责任怪罪以利亚。
- 37. When Ahab saw God's hand of judgment upon society, 当亚哈王看见神的惩罚降临,
- 38. he turned around and lashed out at God-fearing Elijah.
  他满肚子气都发在敬畏神的以利亚身上。
- 39. Remember, it had not rained for three years, 别忘了,这时已三年不下雨了,
- 40. everything was turning to dust, 十分干旱,

- 41. there were no crops, 没有农作物,
- 42. there was no food, 没有粮食,
- 43. the country was in the midst of a disaster. 全国都在灾难中。
- 44. But during the time of the drought, God hid Elijah first in Carish Brook, 然而在旱灾时,神把以利亚先藏在基立溪旁,
- 45. and then in Zaraphath. 后来在撒勒法。
- 46. God was hiding him to provide for him. 神隐藏他, 并供应他,
- 47. God was taking care of Elijah. 神照顾以利亚。
- 48. And this is a picture of God's provision for us. 这也是神眷顾我们的写照,
- 49. A picture of God's hand of protection for those who love him, 描绘出神的手保护着爱祂的人、
- 50. those who are faithful to him, 对神忠心的人、
- 51. those who put their trust in him in the midst of trouble. 在危难中信靠神的人。
- 52. But I want you to look at the irony here, 但请看讽刺之处,
- 53. King Ahab and Queen Jezebel worshipped Baal, 其实亚哈王和耶洗别皇后是崇拜巴力假神的,
- 54. while they were paying lip service to the one true God, Jehweh. 但他们还假心假意地敬拜耶和华真神。
- 55. Why were they worshipping Baal? 他们为什么敬拜巴力?
- 56. I want to tell you why, 让我告诉你,
- 57. Baal was known as the god of fertility and the god of the crops.巴力是丰收之神,是农神,
- 58. Baal was the god whose worship required indulgence and sensuality. 崇拜巴力的仪式纵情淫荡。

- 59. And yet when the drought came, 但遭遇旱灾时,
- 60. Ahab blamed the man of God, 亚哈王竟责怪神人,
- 61. told him that he was the one that was creating trouble for Israel. 说他是使以色列遭灾的人。
- 62. There are many people today like Ahab and Jezebel, 现在也有很多像亚哈和耶洗别那样的人,
- 63. they may go to church on Sunday, 星期天去礼拜堂,
- 64. but at the same time, they worship at the shrine of the flesh.
  同时又崇拜情欲的享乐。
- 65. They bow to money, 他们是拜金主义,
- 66. and the confuse the god of mammon with Christianity. 既是基督徒,又拜财神。
- 67. Just as Ahab and Jezebel mixed Jehweh with Baal, 正如亚哈和耶洗别混合耶和华及巴力敬拜,
- 68. and when the leadership leads into compromise, the public becomes confused. 当领导人开始妥协,群众就会混淆不清。
- 69. And that is precisely what is happening at this point in Israel's history, 这时期的以色列正处于这样的混乱中,
- 70. and these confused people gathered on top of Mt. Carmel. 这些糊涂的百姓聚集在迦密山上。
- 71. I say confused, because the Bible says they were halting between two opinions. 我说他们糊涂,因为圣经说他们在两种立场间为难。
- 72. They did not worship Baal alone, 他们不是单单拜巴力,
- 73. they did not worship Jehweh alone. 也不是专心敬拜耶和华。
- 74. They served Baal in the guise of Jehweh. 他们以敬拜巴力,当作是敬拜耶和华。
- 75. Mt. Carmel is an absolutely awesome sight, 迦密山十分雄伟,
- 76. it is about 1500 feet high, 约有 1500 呎高,

- 77. and Ahab was summoned to go there, 亚哈去了那里,
- 78. the confused people of Israel were summoned to be there, 糊涂的以色列百姓去了那里,
- 79. the 450 prophets of Baal were summoned to appear at the mountain, 450 个供奉巴力的先知也去了那里,
- 80. the 400 hundred prophets of Asteroff, the female concert of Baal were summoned to come to this mountain. 还有 400 个供奉与巴利配对的女神亚舍拉的先知,也在那里。
- 81. I wish I could paint the picture in your mind of this incredible day, 我巴不得能把那奇妙的一天描绘在你的脑海中,
- 82. but I want you to use your imagination, 就请你运用你的想象力,
- 83. there I can imagine the man of God hiding while he is waiting for the masses of people to assemble.

  神人以利亚躲在一角,等待着众人聚集。
- 84. They were coming from the east. 他们从东方来,
- 85. They were coming from the north. 从北方来,
- 86. They were coming from the south. 从南方来,
- 87. All coming up in droves. 他们成群结队而来。
- 88. And I can imagine the man of God probably hiding behind some rock somewhere, 我可以想象神人以利亚此时正躲在一堆石头后面,
- 89. there on his knees praying to God, 跪着祈祷,
- 90. pleading with God, 向神恳求,
- 91. receiving assurance from God. 赐与肯定。
- 92. For I can assure you, Elijah would not have dared to propose this confrontation without a clear mandate from the Lord. 我相信,事先以利亚若没有从神那儿得到明确的指令,怎胆敢提出这次挑战?

- 93. This is a timeless picture, 这是一幅超越时空的图画,
- 94. try to put yourself in the picture, 把你自己置身其间,
- 95. see yourself standing atop that 1500-foot tall mountain, 想象你就站在 1500 呎高的山顶上,
- 96. imagine yourself standing on this 1/6 mile of a mountain chain, 想象你自己在这 1/6 英哩的山脉颠峰,
- 97. when you are standing on the top, you are facing directly west, you will see the Medetarian Sea, 当你从高峰向西方瞭望,你可以望见地中海;
- 98. on the right is the ancient fortress city of Acor, 右边就是古老的城堡亚柯,
- 99. to your left is the city of Ceseria where Paul confronted King Felix and Festes and Agrafa. 左边则是该撒利亚,也就是使徒保罗在巡抚腓力斯和非斯都,以及亚基帕王面前自我辩白的地方。
- 100. To the back of you there are the plains of Ashkalon where Gideon defeated the Mideonites.
  后面是基甸打败米甸人的耶斯列平原。
- 101. Ah this is an awesome sight. 这真是一个了不起的地点!
- 102. But of all these historic events, the greatest event in that place is when one solitary man faced 850 prophets and prophetesses of Baal and Ashteroff.

  然而这里所发生最伟大的事件,就是有一个人,单枪匹马的面对 850 个供奉巴力和亚舍拉的先知。
- 103. What is the point of all this confrontation? 这样面对面的挑战有什么重要性呢?
- 104. The point is summarized in verse 21 of I Kings 18.
  列王纪上 18 章 21 节中指出,
- 105. Elijah cried to God's confused people saying to them in effect. 以利亚对着糊涂的百姓喊着说,
- 106. How long will you waiver? 你们心持两意要到几时呢?
- 107. How long will you wobble? 你们摇摆不定要到几时呢?

- 108. How long will you walk with a limp? 你们东倒西歪要到几时呢?
- 109. In fact this is the literal meaning of the Hebrew word here.
  这就是希伯来原文的意思。
- 110. If the Lord is God, follow him. 若耶和华是神,就当顺从耶和华;
- 111. If Baal is God, then follow him. 若巴力是神,就当顺从巴力。
- 112. I don't like debating with people when it comes to the Christian faith. 我不愿意跟人辩论基督教的信仰,
- 113. I don't believe the gospel is to be rammed down people's throat or argued about. 我不相信福音可以强行推销,以辩论取胜。
- 114. Jesus said, 耶稣说:
- 115. I am the only way. 我是唯一的道路,
- 116. You cannot go to heaven without me. 若不借着我,就不能到天父那里去。
- 117. You cannot go to heaven because of your good works 你不能靠你的善行上天堂:
- 118. You cannot go to heaven because of your money.
  你不能靠你的金钱上天堂;
- 119. You cannot go to heaven because of anything except the Lord Jesus Christ. 除非借着耶稣基督,你到不了天堂。
- 120. So this is how I talk to people, 所以,我总是这么对人说:
- 121. if you want to go to heaven, 如果你想上天堂,
- 122. you must believe in Jesus as the only Savior. 你必须相信耶稣是唯一的救主;
- 123. If you don't want to go to heaven, 如果你不想上天堂,
- 124. then reject him. 就拒绝祂吧!
- 125. It is that simple. 就这么简单,
- 126. I don't have to argue the point. 不需要辩论,

- 127. That's what Elijah is saying here. 以利亚就是这么说的,
- 128. He was calling them to make a decision between two extremes.
  他让百姓在完全相反的两方做出抉择。
- 129. Jesus said similar things to the church of Ladoseia. 耶稣对老底嘉的教会也是这么说的,
- 130. He said you make me sick, 他说,你使我反胃,
- 131. you make me nauseous, 你使我恶心,
- 132. you make me want to vomit. 你使我呕吐。
- 133. Read all about it in Revelation 3:15 and 16. 去读启示录 3: 15, 16 节,
- 134. Why did Jesus say that 耶稣为什么要这么说呢?
- 135. because they were on both sides of the issue, 因为他们三心二意;
- 136. because they kept one foot on each camp, 因为他们脚踏两条船;
- 137. because they stayed in the middle of the road, 因为他们是骑墙派;
- 138. because they sought to please everybody, 因为他们想讨好所有人;
- 139. because they wanted to play with sin during the week and go to church on Sunday,
  因为他们平日犯罪作乐,星期天却到教会去;
- 140. because they wanted to identify with immorality and still call themselves religious. 他们穿上宗教的外衣,骨子里却男盗女娼。
- 141. Here's what Jesus said to the Ladocians, 耶稣对老底嘉的教会说:
- 142. make up your minds, 我巴不得你,
- 143. choose either to be cold or hot. 或冷或热。
- 144. And allow me to speak to you bluntly today, 容许我坦率地说,
- 145. I urge you to make a decision today, 今天请你作出抉择,
- 146. are you for Jesus? 你愿接受耶稣吗?

- 147. Are you going to give your whole life to him, 你愿将生命完全交托给衪吗?
- 148. or are you going to reject him? 还是要拒绝祂?
- 149. Listen to me carefully please, 请仔细听我说,
- 150. you do not need to be a scientist to know that people pleasers will end up pleasing no one, 即使不是专家也明白"越怕得罪人,越容易得罪人"的道理,
- 151. compromising produces restlessness, 妥协带来不安,
- 152. indecision creates turmoil, 犹疑不决制造混乱,
- 153. therefore, do not worry about what people think, 因此,不用在意别人的想法,
- 154. think most of all what God thinks, 要在意神的想法。
- 155. James said, 雅各说,
- 156. in James 1:8, 在雅各书 1:8里,
- 157. a double minded person is unstable in all his ways.
   心怀二意的人,在他一切所行的路上都没有定见。
- 158. There is only one person that you have to please. 只有一位你需要讨祂欢心;
- 159. There is only one person that you must obey. 只有一位你需要顺服:
- 160. There is only one person that you must bow to 只有一位你要向祂屈膝,
- 161. and his name is Jesus. 祂的名字就是耶稣。
- 162. If you have never submitted your life to him, 如果你从未把生命交给衪,
- 163. I want to invite you to make a decision for Jesus Christ today. 请你今天就决定接受耶稣基督。
- 164. I want you to know he loves you, 我要你知道,祂爱你,
- 165. he has been letting you hear this message again and again, 你一而再地听到这信息,

- 166. he is saying to you, 衪对你说,
- 167. come to me, 到我这里来,
- 168. stop this indecision, 不要再犹豫,
- 169. receive what I have done for you on the cross, 接受我在十字架上为你所作的,
- 170. and obey me as the master of your life. 顺从我作你生命之主。
- 171. To those who know him, 如果你认识衪,
- 172. but caught up in a life of intellectual belief on the one hand and indulgence on the other hand, 但却处于智慧的信仰和放纵情欲两种生活之间,
- 173. stop wobbling between two lifestyles, 不要再摇摆不定,
- 174. you are making God sick. 别让神恶心想吐。
- 175. Hear me right please because I am getting ready to close. 听清楚,我就快结束了。
- 176. The decisiveness of Elijah is the decisiveness of the entire word of God, 以利亚的决定性,就是整本圣经的决定性,
- 177. it is the word of God from Genesis to Revelation.
  从创世记到启示录。
- 178. When you have not given yourself to Jesus Christ, 若你还没有将自己交给耶稣,
- 179. but you claim to be his follower, 但你却声称自己是祂的跟从者,
- 180. you are making God nauseous. 你就是让神恶心想吐。
- 181. I want to urge you tonight to stop, 今天我奉劝你别再这样,
- 182. and turn your life to Jesus Christ, 将生命交给耶稣基督,

- 185. he is your only way to heaven, 池是你通往天堂唯一的道路,
- 186. will you turn to him tonight? 今天你愿意转向祂吗?
- 187. And if you have done that, I want to pray with you.
  如果你愿意,我要和你一起祷告。
- 188. Our Heavenly Father, 我们的天父,
- 189. I thank you for this word, 感谢你自己的话语,
- 190. I thank you for this message, 感谢你的信息,
- 191. I thank you that Jesus died for me on the cross, 感谢耶稣为我死在十字架上,
- 192. to pay for my sin and the wages of my sin. 为我还清罪债。
- 193. And now I pray Lord Jesus that you would come into my life, 主耶稣,求你现在就进入我生命中,
- 194. I repent of my sins. 我愿认罪悔改,
- 195. I receive you as my Savior, 接受你为我的救主,
- 196. and I'm ready to obey you as my Lord. 并接受你为我生命之主。
- 197. Give me the strength and the power to do so, 赐给我力量,让我做得到,
- 198. in Jesus name, 奉耶稣基督的名,
- 199. amen. 阿们。