## 《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

## 上帝的方法 - 18 HOW GOD WORKS - 18

- 1. Hello listening friends, we are delighted you joined us again. 亲爱的朋友,你好,很高兴你能再次收听我们的节目。
- This is the last broadcast on the series of messages entitled "How God Works".
   这是《上帝的方法》系列信息的最后一讲,
- 3. You may want to turn with me to II Kings chapter 2. 请将你的圣经翻到列王纪下第 2 章,
- 4. Through this example we will learn about the three stages which every believer must experience. 通过这个例子,我们要来学习每个信徒都必须经历的三部曲。
- 5. Elijah has been given a word from the Lord. 以利亚得到神的话指示他说,
- 6. And now it is a matter of hours before he will be propelled into the presence of God. 神快要用旋风接他升天了。
- 7. Before that, 在他升天以前,
- 8. He goes on a quick missionary journey to visit the three seminaries that he has founded. 他要尽快地去访问他所创办的三所先知学校,
- 9. They are three Bible schools in three different cities where the sons of the prophets studied under him.

那是他在三个不同的城市建立的三所先知学校,年轻一代的先知们就在那里跟他学习。

- 10. And Elijah goes there to say good-bye to each of them before he goes to be with God. 以利亚要在升天以前去那里向他们每个人道别。
- 11. Elisha his understudy and disciple and the heir apparent would not leave him. 以利沙是以利亚的学生,门徒和继承人,他始终不愿意离开以利亚。
- 12. He went everywhere Elijah went. 他一直跟随着以利亚,

- 13. Even when Elijah implored him to leave. 即使以利亚恳求他,他也不愿意离开。
- 14. But these towns that Elijah went into with Elisha have very important symbolic meanings. 以利亚和以利沙去的这些城镇有着很重要的象征意义。
- 15. There is significance in the sequence with which he visited these places. 他访问这些地方的先后顺序也非常重要。
- 16. They represented the three stages through which every believer goes. 它们代表着每个信徒都要经过的三个阶段。
- 17. In verse one, 在第1节:
- 18. He went to Gilgal. 他去到吉甲,
- 19. We know about Gilgal from Joshua 4. 我们从约书亚记第 4 章中看到过吉甲,
- 20. Gilgal represented a place of beginning. 吉甲代表一个开始的地方,
- Gilgal represented a place of security and safety.
   吉甲代表了一个安全的地方,
- 22. Gilgal represented a place of communion and sharing with God. 吉甲代表了一个和神交流和分享的地方,
- 23. Gilgal represented a place of preparation. 吉甲代表了一个预备的地方。
- 24. In Joshua chapter 4, 在约书亚记 4 章中我们看到,
- 25. Gilgal became engraved on the minds of every Jew. 吉甲被铭记在每一个犹太人的心中。
- 26. Because there Joshua piled up 12 stones representing the 12 tribes of Israel. 因为在那里,约书亚堆起了 12 块石头代表以色列的十二个支派,

- 27. There he told the Israelites that in the future when their descendants ask their fathers what these stones mean. 他对以色列人说,日后你们的子孙问他们的父亲说,这些石头是甚么意思?
- 28. They are to tell them, 你们就告诉他们说,
- 29. This is where God dried up the Jordan River so that Israel could cross over into the Promised Land.
  耶和华你们的神,使约但河的水干了,让以色列民能走过河,进入应许之地。
- 30. Gilgal is a symbol of preparation. 吉甲代表着预备,
- 31. And there Elijah remembered the beginning of his obedience to God. 以利亚在那里回想起,当初他如何开始顺服神,
- 32. It was the time when God gave him a challenge telling him to go to Ahab. 那时神给他一个挑战,让他去见亚哈,
- 33. And Elijah obeyed. 以利亚顺服了,
- 34. Gilgal is a symbol of Elijah's obedience to the Lord when he called him initially. 对他来说,吉甲代表着神呼召他时,他对神的顺服。
- 35. Then from Gilgal, Elijah went to Bethel, with Elisha close on his heels. 离开吉甲后,以利亚来到伯特利,以利沙则紧紧跟着他。
- 36. Bethel is a place of altars. 伯特利是一个献祭的地方。
- 37. Bethel means the house of God. "伯特利"这个字的意思就是神的家,
- 38. Abraham returned to Bethel where he had built an alter.
  亚伯拉罕回到伯特利后就建了一座祭坛,
- 39. After he went to Egypt and repented from his lying about his wife.
  因为他曾在埃及因自己的妻子欺瞒撒谎,他为此认罪悔改。
- 40. Jacob built an alter in Bethel. 雅各也在伯特利建了一座祭坛,
- 41. Bethel is a place of heart searching and self-examination. 伯特利是一个反省内心的地方,

- 42. Bethel is a place of sacrificing. 伯特利是一个献祭的地方。
- 43. Bethel is a place of putting whatever is close to your heart and whatever you are holding onto on the alter of God. 伯特利是把你最心爱的,和最不舍得放弃的东西献给神的地方。
- 44. Let me ask you this. 让我来问你一个问题,
- 45. What is God asking you to put on the alter? 神要你把什么献在祭坛上?
- 46. God does not ask you to do that because he wants it or he needs it. 神希望你这么做,不是因为为祂需要你的祭品,
- 47. But because he knows that you need to do that. 而是因为祂知道,你需要这么做。
- 48. And there Elijah was remembering his giving of his life to serve and follow the word of God. 正是在伯特利,以利亚回想起,如何把自己奉献给神,并开始顺服神的话。
- 49. Then he went to Jericho from Bethel. 然后,他从伯特利去到耶利哥。
- 50. Jericho represented battles. 耶利哥是个争战的地方,
- 51. Jericho is the place where God supernaturally gave victory in the battle. 在耶利哥,神用超自然的力量帮助以色列人在战争中得胜,
- 52. Jericho represented the battles in Elijah's life. 耶利哥代表着以利亚一生中好几场的战役。
- 53. Jericho represented the battle with the prophets of Baal. 耶利哥代表以利亚和巴力的先知们争战,
- 54. Jericho represented the battle with Jezebel and Ahab. 耶利哥代表着他与耶洗别和亚哈之间的争战,
- 55. Jericho represented the battle with depression and discouragement. 耶利哥代表着他和沮丧与挫折的争战,
- 56. Jericho represented the battle of injustice against Naboth. 耶利哥代表着他为拿伯伸冤抱不平之战,
- 57. There Elijah remembered the battle. 在耶利哥,以利亚回忆起这些争战。

- 58. As if to say, 好像在说,
- 59. I am just so glad that the battle is over. 真高兴,这些争战都过去了。
- 60. First to Gilgal, 以利亚先来到吉甲,
- 61. Then to Bethel, 然后是伯特利,
- 62. Then the departing point. 最后来到离别的地方。
- 63. Some of you have just begun your Christian walk. 你们中有些人刚刚决定跟随主耶稣,
- 64. You may have just begun the process of sanctification. 你们或许刚刚开始你成圣的旅程,
- 65. Symbolically speaking, you are at Gilgal right now.
  从象征意义上说,你现在正在吉甲,
- 66. Others of you are walking on your way to Bethel 另外有些人可能正在去伯特利的路上,
- 67. Where you are building an alter for God. 在那里,你们为神建起祭坛,
- 68. There you are hearing the voice of God telling you to sacrifice.

  在那里,你会听到神的声音告诉你去献祭,
- 69. You are hearing the voice of God saying to you. 你会听到神亲自对你说,
- 70. The reason you feel there is dryness in your Christian walk is because you are not obeying me and sacrificing in Bethel. 如果你在成圣的旅程中觉得生命枯干,那是因为你没有顺服我,没有在伯特利献祭。
- 71. That sacrifice may be a broken romance. 你需要献上的祭品可能是一段破裂的感情,
- 72. That sacrifice may be a shattered dream. 可能是你破碎的梦想,
- 73. The sacrifice may be a lost job or a career. 你的祭品可能是你失去的工作或事业前途,
- 74. That sacrifice may be a loss of a loved one. 也可能是失去你所爱的人,

- 75. Don't ever forget that whenever you are placing on the alter of Bethel, God is at work in your life. 可是千万不要忘记,什么时候你把这些放在祭坛上,神就会在你生命中动工。
- 76. Some of you have not only been to Gilgal and to Bethel, but you have also been to Jericho. 也有些人不仅去过吉甲和伯特利,还到了耶利哥。
- 77. You have known the places of victory after battle. 你们品尝过战胜的滋味。
- 78. It may have been a battle in your own home and God gave you victory.

  那可能是发生在你家里的争战,神帮助你获胜,
- 79. It may have been a battle where your son or daughter after years of rebellion turned to Christ. 你获得的胜利,可能是你的儿女在多年的叛逆后,终于决定归向耶稣基督,
- 80. It may have been a battle of thought where you have wrestled with doubt and fear and disbelief.

  那也许是一场你和自己的怀疑,恐惧,和不信的争战。
- 81. And now you have made it across the river. 现在你已经越过了那条河流,
- 82. It may have been a battle of prayer where God is telling you to spend time with him. 那也许是一场祷告的争战,神告诉你,要和 祂亲近。
- 83. It may have been a battle of sensuality. 那也许是一场对付情欲的争战,
- 84. Whatever Jericho you are in, 不论你处于哪一种争战里,
- 85. God has given you the victory in the past. 神曾经帮助你,使你得胜。
- 86. Let that victory serve as a reminder that God will give you victory again and again. 让这个胜利时时提醒你,神将来还会给你一次又一次的胜利,
- 87. Now you notice Elijah wanted to walk into these places alone. 我想你已经注意到了,以利亚是想一个人去这些地方的,

- 88. You will remember after Mt. Carmel he was discouraged and he left his servant at Beersheba and was alone. 还记得吗?经过迦密山上的事件之后,以利亚感到灰心,于是把仆人留在别是巴,一个人独自离开。
- 89. When he got there alone, he said to God take my life.
  当他单独一人时,他向神求死,
- 90. He was discouraged and despondent. 他非常气馁,非常沮丧。
- 91. And had the servant been there, he probably would have encouraged him. 如果当时他的仆人在场的话,他就会鼓励以利亚,
- 92. Because the young man would have reminded him of the goodness of God. 因为这位年轻的仆人会提醒他,神是良善信实的。
- 93. And here again Elijah wants to go it alone. 现在,以利亚又想一个人离去。
- 94. But Elisha out of a sense of love and loyalty and commitment and devotion does not let him walk there alone. 可是,出于爱,忠诚,责任感和献身的决心,以利沙不让以利亚独自前往。
- 95. Oh, what a friendship. 这是多么珍贵的友谊啊!
- 96. Oh what a commitment. 这是何等的责任感啊!
- 97. Such devotion is rare indeed. 这样的献身决心真是难得,
- 98. But it is also blessed indeed. 但它也会得到很大的祝福。
- 99. For later on you will discover that Elisha got double portion of Elijah's blessing. 以后,你就会发现以利沙得到了双倍于以利亚的福分。
- 100. If you have one person who walks with you to Gilgal.
  如果你能有一个朋友陪伴你前往吉甲,
- 101. And walks with you to Bethel. 陪伴你前往伯特利,
- 102. And he walks with you to Jericho. 并且陪伴你到耶利哥,
- 103. You are blessed indeed. 你实在是很有福气的。

- 104. If you don't, 如果你没有,
- 105. I would urge you to take time and cultivate such a person who will walk with you. 我鼓励你花些时间,找一位愿意与你同行的朋友,并培养你们之间的关系。
- 106. Not only to Gilgal. 不仅仅到吉甲,
- 107. Not only to Bethel. 不仅仅到伯特利,
- 108. Not only to Jericho. 不仅仅到耶利哥,
- 109. But all the way to Jordan. 而是一直到约旦河。
- 110. A man should choose a man. 男士应该选择男士做这样的朋友,
- 111. And a woman chooses a woman. 女士也应该选择女士做这样的朋友,
- 112. To walk with you. 你们一起同行。
- 113. When they go to the Jordan, 当以利亚和以利沙来到约旦河,
- 114. As the gust of wind began to blow, 狂风吹起,
- 115. Elijah's mantle fell and Elisha picked it up. 吹掉了以利亚的外衣,以利沙帮他捡起来。
- 116. When the departing moment came, 当他们离别的时候来到,
- 117. Elijah the mentor, the discipler asked his disciple what he could do for him. 以利亚这位老师问他的徒弟: 你要我为你做什么?
- 118. And I love Elisha's boldness. 我非常欣赏以利沙在这里的大胆,
- 119. I have prayed for God to give me such boldness. 我也祷告求神能给我这样的胆量,
- 120. I hope that you would pray for such boldness. 我同样希望你求神给你这样的胆量。
- 121. Elisha could have said, 以利沙大可以这么说,
- 122. I don't need anything. 我不需要什么了,
- 123. I'm not worthy to receive anything. 我不配接受任何东西,

- 124. You don't have to do anything for me. 你不用为我做什么。
- 125. He didn't do that. 但以利沙没有这么做。
- 126. I want a double portion of your spirit. 他说,愿感动你的灵加倍地感动我。
- 127. Elisha knew exactly what he was asking. 以利沙知道他在求什么。
- 128. Can I be bold as to ask you a very personal question? 现在请容许我问你一个私人的问题,
- 129. If the Lord Jesus Christ were to come to you in person and sit with you today, 如果现在主耶稣来看你,和你并肩而坐,
- 130. If he would ask you, what can I do for you, 如果祂问你,我能为你做什么?
- 131. What would you ask for? 你会向祂求什么呢?
- 132. What would you say? 你会说什么呢?
- 133. Think about this. 想一想,
- 134. Elisha could have asked for power to call down fire from heaven. 以利沙可以求那从天上唤来烈火的能力,
- 135. But he didn't. 可是他没有;
- 136. Elisha could have asked for power to raise the dead widow's son.
  以利沙可以要求那种使寡妇儿子复活的能力,
- 137. But he didn't. 可是他没有。
- 138. This wise man asked for the spirit of God that dwelt in Elijah to dwell in him. 他很有智慧,他求那住在以利亚身上的灵也能够住在他身上,
- 139. And he asked for that spirit in abundance. 而且他求神的灵能够丰丰富富地与他同在。
- 140. Listen to what James says, 我们来看看雅各怎么说,
- 141. You do not have because you do not ask. 你们得不着,是因为你们不求。
- 142. And when you ask, you do not receive. 你们求也得不着,

- 143. Because you ask with the wrong motive. 是因为你们妄求。
- 144. I believe that when it comes to God's work. 我相信如果是为了神的工作,
- 145. When it comes to God's glory. 如果是为了神的荣耀,
- 146. God wants us to ask for big things. 神希望我们求大事,
- 147. God expects us to come to him and ask for an ocean. 神希望我们来到祂面前,向祂求一大片海
- 148. But instead we bring him a small cup. 可是我们却只带了一个小杯子。
- 149. And I can almost hear God saying, why a small cup. 我几乎可以听到神说:为什么带这么小的杯子呢?
- 150. I want to bless you. 我希望赐福你,
- 151. I want to use you. 我想使用你,
- 152. When you read of the life of Elisha you are going to discover that God answered his prayer exactly.
  如果你去读以利沙的生平,你就会知道神答应了他的祷告。
- 153. While Elijah performed 4 miracles, Elisha performed 8. 以利亚行过 4 个神迹,以利沙则行了 8 个。
- 154. So let me challenge you today. 所以,我今天向你挑战,
- 155. Dare to ask God for big things. 你要放胆向神求大事,
- 156. Dare to ask God for great things. 要放胆向神求伟大的事物,
- 157. Dare to ask God for mighty things. 要放胆向神求了不起的事情,
- 158. He wants to do it. 祂希望我们这么做。
- 159. When it comes to the work of God. 如果是为了神的工,
- 160. When it comes to the kingdom of God. 如果是为了神的国度,

- 161. When it comes to the salvation of souls. 如果是为了要拯救灵魂,
- 162. When it comes to building up the body, 如果是为了要建立基督的身体,
- 163. When it comes to impacting the world for Jesus Christ, 如果是为了基督要影响整个世界,
- 164. You can ask boldly. 你可以大胆地向神求。
- 165. In the ascension of Elijah in the Old Testament and in the ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ in the New Testament.
  在旧约中以利亚的升天,和在新约中耶稣基督的升天,
- 166. Both were witnessed by personal disciples. 都有他们的门徒为目击证人。
- 167. Not the large crowds. 并不是一大群人,
- 168. But personal disciples. 而是亲近的门徒,
- 169. Had I been staging Elijah's ascension. 如果由我安排以利亚升天的这一幕,
- 170. I would want the whole royal family of Israel to be there. 我会让整个以色列的王室家族都在场。
- 171. Thank God this is not a series about how I work.
  感谢神,这个系列信息不是讲《我的方法》,
- 172. But about how God works. 而是讲《上帝的方法》,
- 173. And God doesn't work the way I would work. 神没有用我的方法来工作。
- 174. These moments were reserved only for those who lived by faith. 这些特殊的时刻是保留给凭信心而活的人,
- 175. God saves his best for those who have faith. 神把最好的留给那些相信祂的人。
- 176. When Elijah was ascended, 当以利亚升天的时候,
- 177. His mantle which represented the spirit of God was given to Elisha. 他把他那件代表着神的灵的外衣留给了以利沙。

- 178. And when the Lord Jesus Christ ascended to heaven.

  当耶稣基督升天的时候,
- 179. The Bible says, 圣经上说,
- 180. That he gave the Holy Spirit of God to all who desire him.

  祂把圣灵留给所有渴望得到祂的人。
- 181. I want to end this series of messages by reminding you of what I said in the last message. 我想在结束这个系列之前,再来回顾一下上次讲的信息,
- 182. If you really desire heaven in the hereafter, 如果你真的渴望将来在天堂,
- 183. You have to walk with God in the here and now. 你必须从现在开始就与神同行。
- 184. In Matthew 24:36 Jesus said, 在马太福音 24章 36节,耶稣说,
- 185. Only the Father knows the hour. 但那日子,那时辰,没有人知道,唯独父知道。
- 186. If you were to die today, 如果你今天死了,
- 187. And face the Lord Jesus. 你去见主耶稣,
- 188. If you look into the eyes of the one who died for you, 你面对着曾经为你而死的主,
- 189. The one who paid the price for your sin and saved you and redeemed you.

  祂曾经为你的罪付代价,拯救你,赎回你,
- 190. What would you say? 你会说什么呢?
- 191. If you are not sure you will go to heaven today, you can be sure once and for all. 如果你还不确定自己死后能不能上天堂,今天你必须彻底搞清楚。
- 192. Just take God at his word. 只要全心相信神的话。
- 193. It is not because of anything you do. 这不是因为你做了什么,

194. But because Jesus promised that when you come to him in repentance and faith you will receive eternal life.
而是因为耶稣应许我们,如果你来到祂面前认罪悔改,并且相信祂,你就会有永生。

- 195. But if you have known the Lord Jesus Christ and you have not walked with him. 如果你知道耶稣基督,但是你还没有跟随 祂,
- 196. What will you say when you see him. 当见祂的时候,你会说什么呢?
- 197. Will you say, I am sorry I wasn't different from the unbelievers? 你是否会告诉祂:对不起,主耶稣,我和那些不信的人没有分别。
- 198. I am sorry I was cold. 对不起,我一直很冷淡,
- 199. I am sorry I was busy. 对不起,我太忙了,
- 200. I am sorry I didn't realize your kingdom needed me. 对不起,我以前没有意识到你的国度需要我,
- 201. Will you apologize for all these things or will you say Lord, God I have given you my all? 你是为这些事情道歉呢,还是你会说: 主耶稣,我已经奉献我所有的了。
- 202. In II Timothy 4:7 & 8, 在提摩太后书 4 章第 7 第 8 节里,
- 203. When the time came for the apostle Paul to go and face the Lord Jesus, there was no regret. 当使徒保罗将要离世见主的时候,他没有任何的遗憾,
- 204. He said, I fought the good fight. 他说,那美好的仗我已经打过了。
- 205. Therefore, he knew that the crown is awaiting him.

  所以他知道,必有公义的冠冕为他存留。
- 206. It is my prayer that this will be your condition when you are getting ready to meet the Lord. 我盼望当你见主时,你就是处于这样的情况。
- 207. Until we meet in heaven, I wish you God's richest blessing.
  愿神大大地赐福给你,直到我们见主的那天。