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<u>SECTION A</u> 甲部

- Hello listening friends, we are delighted that you tuned in.
 亲爱的朋友,你好,很高兴你收听这个节日。
- We are delighted to tell you that we are bringing you a series of messages on the cross. 我们很高兴能带给你一个有关十字架的,新 的系列信息。
- And then we are going to talk about the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. 接着我们将要谈到耶稣基督的复活。
- And this is exactly like a chain, so I hope you are not going to miss any of it.
 这就像一串环环相扣的链子,请千万不要错 过其中任何一环。
- 5. And we are going to begin with Palm Sunday. 我们要从"棕榈节"讲起。
- Because the days from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday are called the eight days that changed the world.
 因为从"棕榈节"到"复活节"的这八天, 被称为扭转全世界的八天。
- And that particular week was looked upon by the early Christian fathers to be the holiest of weeks.
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- It was so important that the first three gospel writers devoted one third of their precious little space in describing its events. 其重要性也显示在新约圣经里,头三卷福音 书的作者就用了三分之一极宝贵的篇幅,来 描述这一周所发生的事。
- 9. John gave half of his pages to this week. 而约翰福音的作者约翰,甚至用一半的篇幅 来记载这一周的事。

- This fact alone should be very telling of how central that the acts of this week are to the Christian faith.
 由此看来,这星期所发生的事,确实是基督 教信仰的中心。
- Someone said that Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday form a three legged stool upon which the Christian faith rests. 曾有人说,"棕榈节"、"受难节"和"复 活节"是基督教信仰的三根支柱,如同一张 三只脚的凳子,缺一不可。
- The other days of that holy week are like spindles running from one leg to another supporting and reinforcing them. 而这一周中其他的日子,则如同三脚间的轴 杆,联系和强化支撑的力量。
- If you remove any of these three legs the whole stool will collapse. 如果你拆下任何一只脚,整张凳子就会倒 下。
- 14. They stand together or they fall together. 要不是互相支撑,就是全盘皆倒。
- Good Friday did not happen in a vacuum.
 "受难节"不是无中生有的。
- Palm Sunday led to Good Friday.
 "棕榈节"导致"受难节"。
- Good Friday led to Easter.
 "受难节"导致"复活节"。
- 18. Palm Sunday has been described as the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, but in reality it was a sad entry.
 "棕榈节"曾被描述为耶稣凯旋地进入耶路 撒冷城,事实上,耶稣当时很悲哀。
- It is a picture of great sadness merging into gladness. 然而这却是一幅转悲为喜的图画。
- It is a picture of an inferable sorrow preparing the way for an unutterable and final joy.
 这幅图画所描绘的,是一种无可言喻最终的 喜乐来临之前,短暂的哀伤。

- What we call Palm Sunday was a day on which the sacrificial lamb for the Passover was secluded. 所谓"棕榈节",就是在那一天选出逾越节 献祭的羔羊。
- A day when the sacrificial lamb was chosen and set aside.
 在那一天,挑选将要献祭的羔羊,并把牠和

群羊隔开。

- A day when the sacrificial lamb was prepared for slaughter. 在那一天,把将要献祭的羔羊预备好,以待 宰杀。
- This is an incredible imagery here.
 其实,这是个令人惊叹的预表和象征。
- On that first Palm Sunday, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world was marching toward his slaughter.
 在第一个棕榈节,神的羔羊,就是除去世人 罪孽的那一位,昂首走向被宰杀之地。
- 26. Luke 9:51 tells us that Jesus had set his face toward Jerusalem.
 路加福音 9 章 51 节告诉我们: "祂就定意向 耶路撒冷去。"
- 27. That means that he had made up his mind to go there because he had an important business to do.

就是说,耶稣下定决心前往耶路撒冷,要去 完成一项重要的任务。

- 28. Nothing was going to deter him from going into Jerusalem.
 没有任何力量可以改变祂去耶路撒冷的决心。
- Your salvation and mine and the salvation of the rest of the world depended on this fateful journey.
 你我的救恩,和全人类的救恩,都系于这一趟生死之旅。
- Listening friends, please try to use your imagination here.
 亲爱的朋友,请你运用你的想像力。
- Jerusalem was a small city and during that week it was wall to wall with people.
 当时耶路撒冷是一座小城,在那个星期里, 城中挤满了人群。
- Josephus the historian sets the number of people during that week in Jerusalem at 3 million.
 历史学家约瑟夫曾推测,那个星期耶路撒冷 约有三百万人。

- Imagine 3 million people in this ancient city all wanted to be there for the Jewish Passover.
 想想看,三百万人挤在这古城里,都是来过 犹太人的逾越节的。
- 34. The fame of Jesus had of course spread throughout the countryside. 那时耶稣的名声早已传遍当地。
- 35. The three years of public ministry had made him a household name.
 三年来祂公开传道, 使祂的名字家喻户晓。
- 36. His miracles and above all his authoritative word had made him prominent.
 祂所行的神迹奇事和祂满有权威的讲道,使 祂名声远播。
- 37. Many people made the pilgrimage that year with the hope that they might catch a glimpse of Jesus.
 那年到耶路撒冷过节的群众,都想一睹耶稣的风采。
- Especially after the news of raising Lazarus from the dead. 尤其在耶稣使拉撒路从死里复活之后。
- 39. But the remarkable thing about Palm Sunday is that Jesus chose to enter Jerusalem publicly and deliberately.
 然而"棕榈节"最重要的意义在于耶稣刻意 公开的进入耶路撒冷城。
- There were many times when he went quietly to gatherings and to feasts.
 过去祂曾多次进城参加节庆和聚会,都是静 悄悄的,并没有引人注意。
- There were many times when he avoided publicity. 有好几次祂甚至刻意地回避群众。
- 42. There were many times when he told people after performing a miracle, not to talk about it. 祂也多次在行过神迹之后,吩咐人们不要谈 论这些事。
- 43. In order to avoid misunderstanding. 以避免误会。
- 44. He wanted to avoid people following him for the wrong motives and the wrong reasons.
 祂不希望人们因着不正确的动机和理由来跟随祂。
- 45. He did not want them to misunderstand his real mission.祂不希望人们误解祂真正的使命。

- 46. But now, now it is different. 然而此时此刻就不一样了。
- 47. He is entering Jerusalem as God's Messiah.
 这一次, 祂是以弥赛亚救世主的身份进入耶路撒冷。
- He is entering Jerusalem surrounded with his disciples and with a vast crowd of Galileens. 池和祂的门徒,还有来自加利利省的跟从 者,一块进入耶路撒冷城。
- 49. I need to explain something to you. 这里让我解释一下。
- 50. The Galileens were always more friendly to Jesus than those from Judea. 加利利人一向比犹太省的人对耶稣更友善。
- 51. The Galileens were thought to have come under the Gentile influence and they were treated with contempt by those who are from Judea. 加利利人因为常受到非犹太文化的影响,于 是被犹太人轻视。
- 52. The people were full of expectations, at least finally someone is going to do something instead of just talking.
 他们对耶稣满怀期望,终于有人以实际行动 为他们出头,而不是光说不练。
- 53. Of course there were plenty of mischief makers who would love to see an insurrection or a revolt against the Romans.
 当然其中也有捣乱份子,想趁机造反推翻罗 马帝国的统治。
- 54. There was a revolutionary man in prison already, and his first name was Jesus, and his last name was Barabbas, which means the son of the father.
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当时有一个革命党人被天在监车里,名叫巴 拉巴。这名字的意思就是一个父亲的儿子。

- 55. While this revolutionary Jesus Barabbas waited in prison, Jesus the real Son of the Father was riding into town proclaiming the coming Kingdom.
 当巴拉巴还在监牢里时,神的儿子耶稣进入 耶路撒冷城,宣告神的国将要来临。
- 56. The shout of praise, the waving of palm branches, and the soaring hopes of people have deeply touched Jesus.
 群众满怀热情地挥动着棕树枝,并高声欢呼,使耶稣深深感动。

- 57. But not in the role that the crowd wanted to give him.
 但耶稣并不是扮演着群众心目中所期盼的角色。
- 58. People often like to manipulate their leaders to get them to do what they want them to do. 群众往往鼓动领袖依照群众的心意办事。
- When the leaders do not do what the people want they get disappointed. 领袖若不随众而行,他们就会极度失望。
- 60. Luke tells us that when Jesus arrived at the outskirts of the city he did something unbelievable for a king on his coronation day. 路加福音的作者告诉我们,当耶稣来到耶路 撒冷城外,在祂最受群众拥戴的时刻,祂的 表现竟然令人难以置信。
- 61. With deep sadness and tears streaming down his cheeks, he said the following: 祂极其哀伤,泪流满面的说:
- 62. If you even had only known on this day what would bring you peace, but now it is hidden from your eyes.
 巴不得你在这日子,知道关系你平安的事, 无奈这事现在是隐藏的,叫你的眼看不出来。
- He wept for people because they were so blind. 祂为群众流泪,因为他们盲目无知。
- 64. They wanted a military leader and a conquering hero, but Jesus brought no waving swords or charging calvary.
 他们要求将军和英雄,耶稣却手无寸铁,没有带来一兵一卒。
- He brought only himself and the authority of his word. 只有祂自己,和神大有权柄的话语。
- 66. For the kingdom of Jesus needs only one person, Jesus himself. 建立神的国, 唯靠耶稣基督自己。
- 67. I wonder how many times Jesus still cries over those who are confused.今天耶稣是否还在为迷惘的世人哀哭呢?
- 68. Over those who take his love and forgiveness for granted.
 还在为那些忽略神的慈爱和赦罪之恩的人哀哭呢?
- 69. Over those who interpret his grace to be license for carnality.

还在为那些滥用神的恩慈,故意犯罪的人哀 哭呢?

- 70. Over those who interpret his dying on the cross to be an excuse for not carrying their cross. 还在为那些误解耶稣的死而逃避背负十字架 的人哀哭呢?
- 71. Over those who interpret his compassion and long-suffering as indifference and uncaring. 还在为那些误以神的怜悯和长久的忍耐为漠 不关心的人哀哭呢?
- 72. Oh how must he still weep over his church's lack of discernment.
 耶稣必然还在为那些缺乏辨别能力的教会而 哀哭。
- 73. Oh how he must still weep over those who play politics with his church.
 祂必然还在为那些在教会里玩弄政治手腕的人哀哭。
- 74. Oh how he must still weep for their wanting a Christ who fits their political, social, and cultural agendas.
 祂必然还在为那些把基督置身于政治、社 会、文化之列的人而哀哭。
- Back to Palm Sunday again. 让我们回到"棕榈节"。
- 76. The Jews were screaming, Hosanna, which is a combination of two words.
 犹太人高呼"和撒那",这是由两个字根组成的。
- Meaning, save now. 就是"现在"和"拯救"。
- 78. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the king of Israel.奉主名来的王是应当称颂的。
- 79. The shouting Hosanna, was an appeal for Jesus to save them.
 他们高呼"和撒那",其实就是向耶稣呼救。
- 80. Save now, save now they were saying. 他们喊着说:现在就拯救我们吧!
- And Jesus has heard their cry and Jesus answered their plea.
 耶稣听见他们的呼求,就回应他们。
- 82. Oh but the method is unexpected. 但祂的救法出人意料之外。
- 83. Oh but the root was puzzling. 祂的根源令人困惑。

- 84. Oh but the way he is going to save is perplexing to human minds.祂拯救的方式令人难以明了。
- 85. But he knew that their Hosannas soon would dissolve into crucify him crucify him.
 但祂早知道"和撒那"的欢呼声,即将转变为"钉祂十字架"的怒吼。
- 86. Their cry for salvation imagined the glitter of the coronation ceremony.
 群众以为他们的欢呼声,就像一个君王加冕 大典的灿烂光辉。
- 87. But Jesus knew that their salvation would mean the shedding of his blood on the cross.
 但耶稣知道,人得救必须靠祂十字架上所流的宝血。
- Their cry for salvation imagined the establishment of a throne.
 群众以为他们高呼拯救,可以拥戴耶稣登基 为王。
- 89. But he perceived the nails and the thorns. 但耶稣看见铁钉和荆棘。
- 90. Their cry for salvation imagined the breaking of the Roman yoke and political freedom. 群众以为他们高呼拯救,代表着解除罗马帝 国统治的枷锁并获得政治自由。
- 91. He knew that their and our most desperate need is a breaking of the yoke of sin.但耶稣明白他们最迫切的需要是从罪恶的捆锁中得解放。
- 92. You cannot have Hosanna without crucify. 要"和撒那",必须有十字架。
- 93. Therefore, while they were saying, Hosanna, save now, they unknowingly were crying, crucify, crucify.
 因此,当他们高呼: "和撒那,现在拯救我们吧!",其实他们正不自觉地喊着: "钉祂十字架! 钉祂十字架!"
- 94. For there can be no salvation without the cross. 因为,没有十字架,就没有救恩。
- 95. You may not like the idea that someone dying on the cross 2000 years ago can be your only salvation.
 你可能不同意,那在两千年前死在十字架上的,就是你唯一的拯救。
- 96. You may refuse to see the logic of the cross. 你可能拒绝接受十字架的道理。
- 97. You may say, it is not fair for a sinless man to die for my sin.

你或许认为,无辜的人为我的罪而死,太不 公平了。

- You may refuse to accept the historical evidence of the cross. 你可能不接受十字架的历史证据。
- But all of that does not contradict the historical evidence.
 但这一切都不违背历史的证据。

SECTION B

<u>乙部</u>

- All of your protesting will not exempt you from the responsibility of responding to his love. 无论你如何抗议,都逃避不了你对神的爱作 出回应的责任。
- What you do with the cross is your choice. 你如何回应十字架,那是你个人的选择。
- But you must understand that there are consequences to your decision. 但要明白,每一个选择都有后果。
- Eternal consequences. 是永恒的后果。
- 5. Will you respond to the cross today? 今天你愿意回应十字架吗?
- Will you say, Lord, Jesus, you the perfect died for my sin forgive me? 你愿意说:"主耶稣,你是完美的,却为我 的罪而死,求你赦免我。"吗?
- Jesus promised to forgive all repentant sinners.
 耶稣早已应许,凡认罪悔改的,祂都要赦免。
- In going to Jerusalem, the words of Zechariah the prophet written hundreds of years earlier before, were ringing in his ears. 在前往耶路撒冷途中,先知撒迦利亚于几百 年前所说的预言,回响在耶稣的耳中。
- 9. Zechariah 9:9 says, rejoice greatly, oh daughter of Zion.
 撒迦利亚书9章9节说:锡安的民哪,应当 大大喜乐。
- **10.** Shout oh daughter of Jerusalem. 耶路撒冷的民哪,应当欢呼。
- See your King comes to you, righteous, and having salvation.
 看哪,你的王来到你这里,祂是公义的,并 且施行拯救。
- 12. Gentle and riding on a donkey.

谦谦和和的骑着驴,

- 13. On a colt, the foal of a donkey. 就是骑着驴的驹子。
- This was a far cry from their image of a conquering hero who would sweep into Jerusalem by a chariot pulled by two white horses.
 这情景和群众心目中那驾着白马、乘着战

车,凯旋而归的英雄截然不同。

 Oh, but remember, he rides the clouds for your help.
 但要记得,耶稣是在你向祂求救的呼声中进

城的。

- This was a far cry from the plots and the planning of the zealot revolutionary party. 这情景和当日那些激进的革命党心中的战略 全然不同。
- 17. But his liberating was for eternity. 然而耶稣带来永恒的解放。
- You see Jesus conquering would take place on the battle fields of the minds and hearts and not in the streets of Jerusalem.
 因为耶稣是要征服人心,而非耶路撒冷城。
- 19. Jesus' victory would last for eternity instead of falling within the century and buried in the history books.
 耶稣的胜利永远长存,而非仅限于祂那个世代,并湮没于历史洪流中。
- On that first Palm Sunday when Jesus rode to Jerusalem God was ready to present his peace plan to humanity.
 当第一个棕榈节耶稣骑驴进耶路撒冷时,神 向全人类展示祂的和平计划。
- **21.** There would be no compromise. 不打折扣,决不妥协。
- The final skirmish took place on Good Friday but people did not realize that the battle was already won by Jesus coming to Jerusalem.
 虽然是在受难节时才打最后决战,岂不知早 在耶稣进城时胜负已定,祂已战胜一切。
- Palm Sunday is a day when Jesus proclaimed his victory over the hostile forces over him. 棕榈节那天,耶稣向所有敌对势力宣告得 胜。
- 24. And God is still seeking to let everyone know that the battle is over and Christ has won. 直到今天,神不断告诉世人,战争已结束, 基督获得全面胜利。

耶稣的生命就是胜利的和约。

- 26. Will you respond to him and receive eternal life? 你愿意归向祂并接受永生吗?
- 27. You can be assured of eternal life here and now. 此时此刻你就可以得到永生的保证。
- 28. If that is your desire, I want to pray with you. 你若愿意,我要和你一起祷告。
- 29. Heavenly Father, 天父,
- 30. I thank you for Jesus. 为了耶稣,我感谢你,
- I thank you that he died on the cross for me. 感谢你,因祂为我死在十字架上,
- I thank you that I can receive forgiveness from his hand. 感谢你,祂让我罪得赦免,
- And I thank you that I can be assured of heaven here and now.
 感谢你,让我现在就有了天堂的确据。
- In his name I pray, 奉耶稣基督的名祷告,
- 35. Amen. 阿们。

25. And Jesus' life itself was a treaty.