《天路导向(粤)》双语讲义

恩典的描绘 - 4 PORTRAIT OF GRACE - 4

- 1. Hello, listening friends, and welcome to this broadcast.
 - 亲爱的朋友, 你好! 欢迎收听今天的节目。
- 2. It is a delight and joy for us to know that you have tuned in to this broadcast. 知道你在收听我们的节目,让我们倍感欣慰。
- 3. Let me remind you that we have begun a series of messages entitled "Portrait of Grace;" 现在正播出的这个系列信息,我们称之为"恩典的描绘"。
- 4. and, today, we'll be looking at Genesis, Chapter 29, verses 1 to 30; 今天,我们要一起来看创世记 29 章 1 到 30 节;
- but, first, I want you to imagine the following scenario:但首先,我想请你在脑海中想象这样一幅图画:
- 6. a mother or a father tells their five-year-old son, "Do not play with matches." 一个母亲或是一个父亲告诉他们五岁的儿子说:"不要玩火柴。"
- 7. The little boy decides that he is going to do it anyway;
 而这个小男孩还是打定主意要玩:
- 8. so he lights one match and nothing happens; 于是他点燃一根火柴,什么事也没有;
- 9. then, he lights another match and nothing happens; 接着,他又点燃另一根,仍旧没有事情发生;
- 10. so, he keeps on playing with matches when mom and dad are not watching; 因此,趁父母不注意的时候,他就一直这么玩火柴;
- 11. then, one time, he lights a match and it catches fire and it burns the little fellow's hands. 直到有一次,他点火柴的时候,造成失火,烧伤了小家伙的手。

- 12. On the way to the hospital in the ambulance, the little one keeps on saying to his parents, "I am sorry. I'm sorry. I'm sorry." 在救护车开往医院的路上,小家伙不断地对他父母说,"对不起,对不起,对不起。"
- 13. Now, any normal mother or father would say what? 此时,一个普通的父亲或母亲会说什么呢?
- 14. "We forgive you," of course; 当然是"我们原谅你":
- 15. and they truly forgive the little boy, 他们真心地原谅了这个小男孩,
- 16. because they love the little fellow. 因为他们爱这个小家伙。
- 17. They are hurting deeply for their son's physical pain.

 儿子身体的疼痛让他们的心深深地受到伤害。
- 18. They will get the best medical treatment that money can buy for their son.
 他们愿意为自己的儿子提供力所能及的最好的治疗。
- 19. They will assure their son again and again that they have forgiven his disobedience; 他们一再地告诉自己的儿子,他们已原谅了他不听话的行为;
- 20. and so, ten, fifteen or twenty years later, 可是十年,十五年,二十年之后,
- 21. there are scars that the best plastic surgeons in the world cannot obliterate. 那些留下的伤疤,即使是世上最好的整容师也无法消除。
- The boy now is a man.
 那个男孩现在已经长大成人。
- 23. He looks at the scars and he says, "I wonder if my parents have really forgiven me. 他看着这些疤痕,自言自语地说:"我怀疑父母是否已经真的原谅了我,

- 24. I'm not sure if my parents can really forgive such an act of disobedience." 我不知道父母是否真能原谅如此不听话的行为。"
- 25. His parents, on their part, keep on assuring him that they forgave him the moment he said, "Sorry;"
 而作为他的父母,他们不断地告诉他,就在他说"对不起"的那一刻,他们已经原谅他了;
- 26. but the now-grown boy says to his parents, "If you have forgiven me, then why do I have these scars? 可是这个长大成人的男孩对父母说:"如果你们已经原谅我了,那为什么我还会落下这些疤痕呢?
- 27. Why should I live the rest of my life with these scars?"
 为什么我的后半生都要一直带着这些伤疤呢?"
- 28. "Well," they say, "these scars are the consequences of your disobedience. 父母对他说:"的确,这些伤疤是你不听话的后果,
- 29. These scars have nothing to do with our lack of grace in forgiving you. 这些伤疤并不表示,我们在原谅你这件事上不够宽容。
- 30. Let these scars be a reminder of our act of forgiveness. 就让这些伤疤来提醒你我们对你的原谅吧。
- 31. In fact, let these scars be a reminder of our unconditional love for you." 也让伤疤来提醒你我们对你无条件的爱吧。"
- 32. My listening friend, did you get the picture here? 亲爱的朋友,你能理解这幅图画吗?
- 33. Today, there are many people who confuse the grace of God with their deep scars. 今天,很多人因为落下了深深的疤痕而对神的恩典产生了困惑。
- 34. There are many people who doubt the grace of God simply because of the normal long-term consequences of their past sins. 许多人怀疑神的恩典,仅仅是因为自己过去的罪所带来的长期后果。
- 35. God says, "I have forgiven you. 神说: "我已赦免你了,

- 36. I have covered you with My grace. 我用恩典将你遮蔽,
- 37. I don't count your sin against you; 我不再按你的过犯待你;
- 38. but no one can do anything about the scars. 但那些疤痕,任何人都无能为力。
- 39. Let these scars remind you of My grace and not your failure;" 让这些疤痕来提醒你,这是我的恩典,而不是你的失败。"
- 40. and, today, my listening friends, we're going to see this picture very clearly in Jacob's life. 亲爱的朋友,今天我们将从雅各的人生中,清晰地看到这幅图画。
- 41. Jacob moved from Bethel, where we saw him alone with God; 雅各离开了他曾经与神单独相处的伯特利;
- 42. he moved from Bethel, where he received the grace of God; 他离开了得到神恩典的伯特利;
- 43. he moved from Bethel, where he received a vision from God; 他离开了从神那里接受异象的伯特利;
- 44. and, now, he reaches his destination—his uncle's home—
 现在他来到了目的地,他舅舅的家中——
- 45. the home of his mother's brother, Laban, in the town of Haran; 他母亲的兄弟, 拉班的家位于哈兰;
- 46. and it is in Haran that Jacob will come face-to-face with the consequences of his deception. 在哈兰,雅各将面对自己欺骗所带来的后果。
- 47. It is in Haran where Jacob will come face-to-face with the scars of his deeds. 在哈兰,雅各将面对自己所作所为而造成的疤痕。
- 48. Here, Jacob will come face-to-face with the biblical principle of sowing and reaping. 在这里,雅各亲身经历种瓜得瓜的圣经原则。
- 49. When Jacob gets to Haran, he has an encounter with a beautiful girl. 雅各抵达哈兰的时候,他遇到了一个美丽的姑娘。
- 50. This girl turns out to be his cousin, Rachel, 这个姑娘就是他的表妹拉结,

- 51. and Jacob falls head over heels in love with Rachel. 雅各对拉结神魂颠倒。
- 52. He even tries to show off and exhibit superhuman strength by rolling the stone from the well to water her sheep.
 他甚至把石头转离井口,饮拉结的羊群,想要显示自己超人的力气。
- 53. Jacob loved Rachel at first sight, and he was willing to do whatever it took to marry her. 雅各对拉结一见钟情,为了娶她,可以做任何事情。
- 54. Now, my listening friend, I don't want you to miss what happens next. 现在,亲爱的朋友,请留意接下来所发生的事情。
- 55. Jacob wants Rachel very badly. He was willing to go to any length to marry her; 雅各非常想得到拉结,为了娶她,愿意付上任何代价;
- 56. but his tricky Uncle Laban, the girl's father, knew of Jacob's desire; 可是,他狡猾的舅舅拉班,姑娘的父亲知道了雅各的愿望:
- 57. and he wanted to milk the situation for all that he could get out of it.
 他想要尽量利用这种情形来谋取暴利。
- 58. It was customary back then for visitors to be entertained for only three or four days—no more; 按照当时的习俗,客人一般只会受到三四天的款待,不会更久;
- 59. but Jacob had been in Laban's house now for about a month, and no doubt working hard for his uncle.但雅各已在拉班家待了一个月,而且肯定是为他舅舅拼命地干活。
- 60. In Genesis, Chapter 29, verse 15, you see Laban subtly and manipulatively says to Jacob, in effect, "Just because you are my nephew, it doesn't mean that I shouldn't pay you something."
 在创世记 29章 15节,你可以看到,拉班狡猾地、欺哄着雅各说:"你虽是我的外甥,岂可自白地服事我。"

- 61. Jacob said, "I would be willing to work for seven years to have the privilege of marrying your daughter, Rachel." 雅各说: "我愿为娶你小女儿拉结服事你七年。"
- 62. Jacob was probably hoping that her father would say, "Oh, no. One year would be fine..." 雅各当时也许期望姑娘的父亲会说:"噢,不,一年就足够了……"
- 63. but tricky Uncle Laban took advantage of Jacob's generosity. 但狡猾的舅舅拉班,利用了雅各的慷慨。
- 64. Listen to verse 20 of Chapter 29. 请听 29 章 20 节。
- 65. "The seven years seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her." "雅各就为拉结服事了七年,他因为深爱拉结,就看这七年如同几天。"
- 66. Rachel had an older sister, Leah. 拉结还有一个姐姐叫利亚。
- 67. She was, to state it clearly and literally, an albino; 用专用术语说,她得了白化病;
- 68. so, in the night of the wedding, after Jacob's seven years of hard labor, 在雅各辛勤劳作七年之后的那个新婚之夜,
- 69. the father sends Leah, Rachel's older sister, to the wedding tent, instead of Rachel. 这位父亲却把拉结的姐姐利亚而不是拉结,送到了洞房。
- 70. She must have dressed like Rachel and she must have smelled like Rachel.
 利亚当时的穿戴和洒的香水肯定都很像拉结。
- 71. She must have had Rachel's build, but she was not Rachel; 利亚的体形也和拉结相仿,但她不是拉结。
- 72. so, on the morning after, Jacob saw what happened, and he became very angry; 于是,到了第二天早晨,雅各明白了所发生的事情后,非常气愤;
- 73. and he goes out to do battle with his uncle, now his father-in-law. 他出来与舅舅,现在是自己的岳父理论。
- 74. Listen to verse 25. It's a very important verse. 请听 25 节,这是很重要的一节经文。

- 75. "Jacob said, 'Why have you deceived me?'" 雅各问道: "你为什么欺哄我呢?"
- 76. Wow! Here are the scars. 噢, 这就是伤疤。
- 77. The deceiver is now being deceived; 欺骗者如今被骗了;
- 78. and, sadly, this is not the last time that Jacob will be a victim of deception. 可悲的是,这还不是雅各最后一次被骗。
- 79. He deceived his blind father. 他曾欺骗过自己瞎眼的父亲。
- 80. Now, he is deceived by his uncle into marrying a blind woman whom he had not loved. 现在,他被自己的舅舅欺骗,娶了一个他不爱的盲女。
- 81. Jacob managed to marry the love of his life, Rachel, seven days later; 最后,雅各总算是可以在七天之后娶到自己终生所爱的拉结;
- 82. but he had to work seven more years for her. 但他不得不为了她再工作七年。
- 83. My listening friend, I want you to see with me at least three ironies here. 亲爱的朋友,我想和你一起来看看这里具有讽刺意味的三点:
- 84. Irony number one— 第一点,
- 85. Esau was supposed to serve Jacob, but now Jacob serves Laban. 以扫本应服事雅各,现在雅各服事拉班。
- 86. Irony number two— 第二点,
- 87. by getting Leah first, then Rachel, Jacob must have felt what Esau felt when he was deceived. 在先得到利亚,再娶到拉结的时候,雅各也一定体会到了以扫当时被骗的感受。
- 88. Irony number three—第三点,
- 89. he was deceived by Rachel's father, just as he deceived his own father.
 他被拉结的父亲所骗,正如他当初欺骗自己的父亲。
- 90. The deceiver was deceived. 欺骗者如今被骗了。
- 91. He was reaping what he sowed. 他所收的正是自己种下的苦果。

- 92. My listening friend, listen carefully to what I'm going to tell you. 亲爱的朋友,请仔细听我下面所讲的。
- 93. The law of sowing and reaping is as sure as the sun and the moon are in Heaven. 播种和收获的规律就如天上日月星辰的运转一样准确。
- 94. There are at least three things about biblical sowing and reaping that I want to tell you about here. 我想,至少可以从三方面来与你分享圣经所说的种与收。
- 95. First, whatever you sow, you will reap. 第一点,种豆得豆,种瓜得瓜。
- 96. Paul said, "Do not be deceived. God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what a man sows." 保罗说: "不要自欺,神是轻慢不得的。人种的是什么,收的也是什么。"
- 97. If you sow wheat, you will reap wheat. 如果你种下麦子,你就会收获麦子。
- 98. If you sow cotton, you will harvest cotton. 如果你种下棉花,你就会收获棉花。
- 99. Nobody ever planted wheat and got cotton; 没有人可以种下麦子,却收获棉花;
- 100. and, my friend, if you want friendship, you sow friendship. 亲爱的朋友,如果你想要得到友情,你就播种友情。
- 101. If you want love, you sow love. 如果你想要得到爱,你就播种爱。
- 102. If you want peace, you become a peacemaker. 如果你想要得到和平,你就要做一个和平的缔造者。
- 103. Secondly, the portion with which you sow will be the same portion that you reap. 第二点,你种下多少,就将收获多少。
- 104. You cannot just sow sparingly and expect an abundant harvest. 你不可能零星地撒种,却期望获得一个大丰收。
- 105. In Luke, Chapter 6, verse 38, Jesus said, 在路加福音 6章 38节,耶稣说:
- 106. "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you use, it will be measured to you." "你们要给人,就必有给你们的。因为你们用什么量器量给人,也必用什么量器量给你们。"

- 107. In 2 Corinthians, Chapter 9, verse 6, Paul said, 在哥林多后书 9 章 6 节保罗说:
- 108. "...whoever sows generously will also reap generously;"
 "少种的少收,多种的多收。"
- 109. and the third thing about sowing and reaping is this: 关于播种和收割的第三点是:
- 110. no matter how long it takes, no matter how long the delay, no matter how many crop failures you may have, if you sow, you will eventually reap. 无论花费多长时间,无论耽搁了多久,也无论你撒种失败过多少次,只要你播种,你最终就会有收获。
- 111. Have you prayed for something for so long and you haven't received the harvest yet? 你是否长时间地为某件事情祷告,至今仍未收获呢?
- 112. Keep on planting and keep on praying. The harvest will come.继续耕耘,不断地祷告,收获的日子会来的。
- 113. Have you been faithful and generous and self-giving, but you have not seen an abundant harvest yet?
 你是否总是那样的忠心、慷慨和无私,却还没有获得丰收呢?
- 114. Keep on planting. The harvest will come. 继续努力,丰收的日子会来的。
- 115. Just as sowing and reaping in Jacob's case worked in the negative, sowing and reaping will also work in the positive as well; 虽然发生在雅各身上的种与收,是一种负面的情况,但在正面的情况里,也具有同样的原则;
- 116. so, when you sow in abundance, you receive in abundance; 那就是,你播种的多,收获的也丰盛;
- 117. so, my listening friend, let me ask you this, as I'm about to conclude. 亲爱的朋友,在即将结束的时候,我想问你,
- 118. Do you have scars from the past? 你身上有没有过去的疤痕呢?
- 119. Don't fret over them. 不必为它们烦恼。
- 120. If the grace of God rules in your life, 如果神的恩典主导着你的人生,

- 121. if you have experienced the forgiveness of God in your life, 如果你在生命中经历过神的宽恕,
- 122. do not let the scars pull you down. 不要让那些疤痕绊倒你。
- 123. Let the scars remind you of the grace of God. 而要让那些疤痕提醒你神的恩典。
- 124. Let them remind you of the mercy and the forgiveness of God; 让那些疤痕提醒你神的怜悯和宽恕;
- 125. and don't ever forget that God can write His straight purpose with a crooked pencil. 不要忘记,神可以用一支弯曲的笔写出祂正 直的道。
- 126. God can take a bent and twisted instrument and use it powerfully. 神可以大大地使用一个歪歪扭扭的器皿。
- 127. God's grace is more powerful than your scars. 神的恩典比你的那些疤痕更有能力。
- 128. God's grace can polish the roughest of diamonds. 神的恩典可以将最硬的钻石磨光。
- 129. God's grace calls out to the unworthy. 神的恩典呼召那些最卑微不配的人。
- 130. God's grace loves the unlovable. 神的恩典使不可爱的人,可以被爱。
- 131. God's grace uses the unusable. 神的恩典使那些无法被使用的人,可以被使用。
- 132. God's grace will turn your scars into stars. 神的恩典可以将你的疤痕变为闪亮的明星。
- 133. You can let your scars pull you down and depress you, or, you can use them as a reminder of the wonderful grace of God. 你可以选择让自己的疤痕绊倒你,使自己沮丧,你也可以用它们来提醒自己,神奇妙的恩典。
- 134. The choice is yours. 这是你自己的选择。
- 135. Until next time, I wish you God's richest blessing. 愿神大大地赐福给你,下次节目再会!