赞美的诗篇 – 8 PSALMS OF PRAISE – 8

- Hello listening friends.
 亲爱的朋友,你好,
- Again we are very grateful that you've tuned in to this broadcast. 谢谢你再次收听我们的节目,
- In fact we'd really love to hear from you and hear how God is using these messages in your life. 我们盼望你能告诉我们,神怎样使用这节目

的信息来改变你的人生。

- And you can get in touch with us either by mail or through the internet. 你可以写信,或者发电子邮件给我们。
- And we'll give you the address at the end of this broadcast. 我们会在节目的最后告诉你我们的地址。
- But I want to begin by telling you something that you will know anyway. 现在我要告诉你一些你迟早都会知道的消 息。
- Since the beginning of time. 自创世以来,
- The human race has been trying to define happiness. 人类就一直试图寻找快乐的意义,
- In fact the human race has been trying to pursue and find happiness. 事实上,人类一直在追寻幸福快乐。
- For centuries, philosophers have been wrestling with this question.
 历世历代的哲学家也一直在思考这个问题,
- 11. They have been asking, what is happiness? 他们一直在问,究竟什么是快乐呢?
- 12. And they have not come to an agreement yet. 可是从未找到一致的答案。
- 13. As I look through the Scripture. 当我阅读圣经的时候,

- 14. I found it easier to define what happiness is not than to define what happiness is.
 我发现,其中更容易找到痛苦和不快乐的定义。
- 15. Let me tell you 10 things that will guarantee you misery.
 让我来告诉十项必定会带给你痛苦和不幸的 起因。
- Are you ready? 你准备好了吗?
- 17. First, 第一件,
- Make little things bother you and irritate you. 为琐碎的事烦恼,激怒。
- 19. Secondly, 第二,
- 20. Lose your perspective on things. 失去客观的角度,
- And keep that perspective lost all the time. 而且一直无法恢复冷静客观。
- 22. Thirdly, 第三,
- 23. Worry about that which you cannot change. 为那些你不能改变的事而担忧。
- 24. Fourthly, 第四,
- **25.** Be intolerant of others failures. 不能宽容别人的失败。
- 26. Fifth, 第五,
- Be right always. 坚持自己总是对的,
- Be the only who's right. 是唯一做得对的人,
- **29.** And be rigid about your rightness. 而且很固执的坚持下去。
- 30. Six, 第六,

- 31. Don't trust, believe, or accept people. 不信任,不相信,也不接纳别人。
- 32. Seven, 第七,
- Always compare yourself unfavorably to others.
 总是和别人比较,并认为自己不如人。
- 34. Eight, 第八,
- Take everything you don't like personally. 认为所有不顺利的事都是针对你而来的。
- 36. Nine, 第九,
- Don't give of yourself whole-heartedly anything or anybody.
 对任何人或事都不愿全力以赴。
- 38. Ten and final, 最后,第十,
- **39.** Make happiness to be the aim of your life. 以快乐当作你人生的目的。
- 40. Now my listening friends, I want to tell you, if you practice these 10 things.亲爱的朋友,如果这十项都是你所做的事,
- You can guarantee yourself an unhappy life. 你的人生一定不快乐。
- 42. The truth is this, 事实上,
- 43. Throughout history we find that every culture of the world is in pursuit of happiness.
 在整个历史长河中,世上的每一种文化都在 追寻快乐。
- 44. The stoics have taught that the best way to be happy is to eliminate your desires all together. 苦修的人告诉我们,得到快乐的最好办法就 是消除一切欲望。
- 45. Because when you are not expecting anything, you will not be disappointed.
 因为当你没有任何期盼,也就不会经历任何 失望。
- 46. But that's not the case in Psalm 126. 但这不是诗篇 126 篇里所讲的。
- 47. Before I explain this Psalm, let's read it together.
 今天我们要来看这首诗篇,让我们首先一起 读一遍。

- 48. You notice that in Psalm 126 we see people who are very happy and full of joy.
 在这首诗里,我们看到一些非常快乐的人,他们充满了喜乐,
- 49. They said our mouths are filled with laughter and singing.他们说,我们满口喜乐歌唱。
- 50. Not only are these people rejoicing. 其实不只是这些人在欢呼,
- But their surrounding neighbors who see them happy become happy for their sake.
 他们周围的人看到他们如此喜乐,也为他们 高兴。
- The Psalmist does not define happiness here in Psalm 126.
 在这首诗里,诗人没有说快乐的定义是什么,
- 53. He only describes it. 他只是描述快乐。
- 54. In fact verse 3 is a vivid picture of happiness. 第3节生动的描述了快乐的场景。
- 55. According to Psalm 126, 在这首诗里,
- 56. There are 3 descriptions of happiness. 描述了快乐的三方面,
- 57. The first one tells us that happiness is freedom. 第一,快乐是一种自由,
- 58. And we see this in verse 1, 2, and 3. 这一点可以从第 1, 2, 3 节里看到。
- 59. Second, he tells us that happiness is fullness. 第二,诗人告诉我们,快乐是一种丰满,
- 60. And you see this in verse 4. 这可以在第4节中看到,
- Thirdly he tells us that happiness is fruitfulness.
 第三,他告诉我们快乐是果实累累的。
- 62. And you find this in verses 5 and 6. 第 5, 6 节谈到了这一点。
- 63. Let's begin at the first 3 verse of Psalm 126. 让我们从第 3 节开始。
- 64. The Psalmist says that happiness is freedom. 诗人说,快乐就是自由。
- But before I explain this let me give you a historical background.
 在解释这点以前,我要告诉你一些历史的背景。

- 66. The people of God here were celebrating something exciting.
 那时,神的子民在庆祝一件非常振奋人心的事,
- 67. There was a supernatural intervention of God in their lives.神以超自然的形式介入了他们的生命,
- This Psalmist is describing something that was not expected. 诗人形容这件事完全出乎意料,
- 69. And the people here are absolutely ecstatic. 让他们欣喜若狂。
- 70. They are standing in awe at what happened. 他们看着眼前所发生的,心中充满敬畏。
- A siege of Jerusalem had taken place.
 当时耶路撒冷被敌人包围,
- And right at the time when they were scared and afraid. 他们本来十分惊恐,
- 73. When they were ready to give up on life itself. 甚至准备放弃生命。
- God intervenes supernaturally and shocks them. 然而神亲自介入,让他们非常震惊。
- 75. And the Psalmist tells us that not only they were happy.诗人说,不仅仅他们快乐欢呼,
- 76. But other nations were excited as well. 其它国家也非常兴奋。
- 77. Even their enemies were rejoicing with them. 甚至他们的仇敌也和他们一起欢呼。
- 78. Most old testament historians tell us that this Psalm describes the Lord's deliverance of Jerusalem.

一般圣经学者都同意,在这里,诗篇的作者 描述的是希西家王统治的时代,神拯救了耶 路撒冷。

- 79. Deliverance from the Assyrian army during the reign of King Hezekiah. 神把耶路撒冷从亚述王西拿基立的手里解救出来。
- 80. Remember King Hezekiah was a godly king. 请记住希西家王是个敬畏神的人,
- 81. He wanted only to obey and serve God. 他甘心顺服并服侍独一的真神,

- 82. He was interested only in what God had to say to the nation.他只关心神对他的国家有什么旨意。
- 83. King Hezekiah was looking for political solutions.
 希西家王原先想要从政治上寻求解决的办法。
- 84. In fact these events are recorded II Kings chapters 18 and 19 and II Chronicles 32. 这些历史事件记载在列王纪下 18 章, 19 章 和历代志下 32 章里。
- 85. And also we find more information on this in Isaiah chapter 36 and 37.
 我们还可以从以赛亚书 36, 37 章里, 看到 更多有关这段历史的记载。
- 86. Hezekiah would not compromise with the Assyrians.希西家王不愿向亚述人妥协,
- 87. He wanted only what God wanted. 他只想让神的心愿实现。
- So the king of Assyria, Sennacherib, was totally furious.
 那时,亚述王西拿基立极其愤怒,
- 89. And he wanted to bring Jerusalem to its knees. 他要全耶路撒冷城向他俯首称臣。
- **90.** Planning of course to get the rest of the nations. 并且攻占整个国家。
- But godly King Hezekiah went straight to Isaiah the prophet.
 但是敬畏神的希西家王来到先知以赛亚那 里,
- 92. And he said to him, 对他说,
- 93. Prophet of God what am I supposed to do about this?神的先知啊,我应该做什么呢?
- Isaiah gives him a word of encouragement and assurance.
 以赛亚鼓励他,安慰他,
- 95. Isaiah said to the king, 以赛亚对王说,
- 96. King, you keep doing what you're doing. 王啊,你就维持一贯所做的事,
- **97**. You are doing exactly the right thing. 因为你所做的,在神眼里看为正直。

- 98. God is going to take care of you. 神一定会保护你。
- 99. Now when 185,000 military personnel of the Assyrian army are surrounding the walls of the city. 后来亚述的 18 万 5 千大军包围了耶路撒冷 城,
- 100. Cutting the food and the water supply. 切断了食水和粮食的供应,
- The people were terrified and they were screaming at the king. 城里的百姓都吓坏了,他们向希西家王呼 喊。
- 102. But it takes a man of God to trust God and take Isaiah at his word. 然而属神的人对神有信心,并相信先知以赛 亚的话。
- 103. Hezekiah did exactly that. 希西家王正是这样的人。
- 104. The king said to the Lord, 他对神说,
- 105. Lord, I'm going to trust you and obey you. 耶和华啊,我相信你,顺服你,
- 106. I'm going to persevere. 我要坚持到底。
- 107. And I know somehow you're going to intervene. 我知道你一定会介入。
- 108. Do you know what happened? 你知道后来发生了什么事吗?
- 109. These 185,000 Assyrian soldiers were slain by the angel of God in one night.
 那 18 万 5 千亚述大军被神的使者一夜之间 都杀光了。
- 110. And God's people did not have to fight at all. 神的子民根本不需要出去争战。
- 111. All they had to do was trust and wait on God to answer their prayers.
 他们需要做的就是相信神,等候神应允他们的祷告。
- 112. And God did the rest. 其它的一切神都会去做。
- 113. So you can imagine the amazement of the people in Jerusalem when they opened the gates in the morning.
 你可以想象第二天清早,当耶路撒冷的百姓打开城门的时候,他们是多么的惊讶。

- 114. And there they saw behind the wall, all the Assyrian army lying dead.
 在城墙的外面,所有的亚述士兵都躺在地 上,尸横遍野。
- Now no wonder the Psalmist said this was an incredible dream.
 难怪,诗人说这简直就是一场梦,
- 116. Imagine the amazement of the neighboring nations.想想看,邻邦的国家会有多惊讶。
- 117. Who knew in their hearts that if Jerusalem fell they would be next.
 因为没有人知道耶稣撒冷沦陷以后,下一个 会轮到谁。
- 118. Imagine their excitement. 想一想他们是如何的激动,
- 119. They were not happy for Jerusalem only, but they were happy for themselves.
 他们不单单为耶稣撒冷高兴,也为他们自己 高兴。
- 120. Because the Assyrians of those days were known as very barbaric.因为那时的亚述人非常的野蛮残暴。
- 121. But what is the spiritual implication of this Psalm for today? 那这首诗在今天有什么属灵的意义呢?
- 122. It tells us that happiness is freedom. 他告诉我们快乐就是自由,
- 123. There is no joy in bondage. 被捆绑被束缚是不会有喜乐的。
- 124. People who live without God in their life. 不信神的人,
- 125. They like to think that freedom means to pursue pleasure.他们认为自由就是可以尽情追求享乐,
- 126. Whatever pleasure they desire. 凡是能够满足他们欲望的事,
- 127. And they consider that to be happiness. 这样就叫做幸福快乐。
- 128. I hope you will not make the mistake of thinking that sin is always misery.
 我希望你不要误以为罪总是很痛苦的,
- 129. The Scripture said there is pleasure in sin. 圣经提到说,有罪中之乐。

- 130. But it says the says the pleasures of sin are for a moment.
 但是圣经同时也告诉我们,罪中之乐只有片刻。
- 131. There is a time when sin is pleasurable. 有时候,罪让你觉得很高兴,
- 132. But it is only for a moment. 但这种快乐只有片刻。
- 133. There are people who take drugs. 有些人吸食毒品,
- 134. Others drink alcohol. 有些人酗酒,
- Thinking that this is how they deaden their emotional pain.
 他们觉得这会有助于他们减轻情感的伤痛。
- 136. That may work for an hour. 起初的确会让他们感到暂时的解脱,
- 137. Then they have to take more. 然后他们需要吸食更多。
- And several months or years later they have to double that again. 几个月,或是几年以后,他们需要食用双倍 的份量,
- 139. Until their brains and their liver are damaged. 直到他们的大脑和肝脏损坏,
- 140. And the whole body begins to fall apart. 整个身体开始垮掉。
- 141. Oh yes there is pleasure in sin for a moment. 所以, 罪中只有片刻的欢愉。
- 142. On the other hand there are those who may never drink alcohol or take chemical substance.另外,有些人也许从不酗酒或者吸食毒品,
- 143. And yet they are enslaved to all kinds of fears in their lives.
 然而他们的人生却被各种各样的恐惧所控 制,
- 144. Fear can destroy them just as effectively as alcohol and drugs. 那些恐惧就像酒和毒品一样可以摧毁他们。
- 145. They are in bondage or feeling locked in their circumstances. 他们觉得被自己的处境捆锁。
- 146. Or there are some who are in bondage to what other people say of them. 有些人被其它人的闲言闲语牵制,

- 147. But they have the freedom to choose how you are going to react to what people say. 其实我们大可以选择该如何回应别人的批 评。
- 148. Instead of being enslaved to those who are your critics. 与其被批评你的人控制你,
- 149. You can choose to love them. 不如选择去爱他们。
- 150. Then there are others that are in bondage to their desire. 有些人被自己的欲望所捆绑,
- 151. And some are in bondage to hopelessness and pessimism. 有些人被绝望和悲观所捆绑,
- 152. And there are those who are in bondage to gloom and doom. 有些人被忧郁和厄运所捆绑。
- 153. There are all kinds of bondage. 世界上有各种各样的捆绑,
- 154. These bondages are just as real as Hezekiah's when he sat inside the city surrounded by the Assyrian army.
 这些捆绑就像希西家王被亚述大军围困的情景一样。
- 155. Yet the good news is that Jesus delivers us from all bondage.然而我要告诉你一个好消息,耶稣要救我们 脱离各样的捆绑。
- 156. Listen to what he said in John chapter 8 verse 32.我们来听听约翰福音 8 章 32 节的经文,
- 157. That you shall know the truth and the truth will set you free. 你们必晓得真理,真理必叫你们得以自由。
- 158. We know that happiness is freedom. 我们知道快乐就是自由,
- **159.** But just what is true freedom? 可是什么是真正的自由呢?
- 160. I will answer this question in the next broadcast. 下次节目我要回答这个问题。
- 161. plus we will talk about the fullness and fruitfulness of happiness.
 而且我还要继续谈快乐的丰满,和喜乐的果实。

162. As we continue this series from Psalm 126 on defining happiness.我们会继续根据诗篇 126 篇来告诉你什么是 快乐。