《天路导向》双语讲义

故事的精髓 - 5 THE POINT OF THE STORY - 5

马太福音13:44-46、腓立比书3:1-11 Matthew 13:44-46, Philippians 3:1-11

SECTION A

甲部

- 1. Hello, our listening friends. 亲爱的朋友,你好,
- 2. We are so glad you joined us today. 很高兴你能收听我们的节目。
- 3. I want to begin by telling you a story. 我想先给你讲一个故事:
- 4. Many years ago there was a terrible volcanic eruption in Pompeii Italy. 很多年以前,在意大利的庞裴城发生了一次可怕的火山爆发。
- 5. Of the 20,000 inhabitants of Pompeii, some 2,000 lost their lives. 城里两万居民,有两千人因此丧生。
- 6. Among the 2,000 people who died . . . there was a woman who obviously loved her jewelry above everything else. 在这两千人中,有一个妇人显然爱她的珠宝胜过一切。
- 7. As the deadly rain of fire came down... she decided to run to the harbor and escape by ship. 当火山的岩浆汹涌而至之时,她决定跑到港口乘船逃走。
- 8. That was wise. 那是个聪明办法。
- 9. But the rich and beautiful woman stayed behind just long enough to collect as much of her jewelry as she could carry.
 但漂亮富有的女人却迟迟不走,因为她想尽量多带一些珠宝首饰逃走。
- 10. Snatching up her rings... she hastily thrust them on her fingers.

 抓起戒指,匆匆戴在手上。
- 11. There was no time to hunt for a box or a bag in which she could cram her precious things... 没有时间去找盒子或袋子来装这些珠宝,

- 12. So she picked up as many as she could hold in her hands... and rushed into the street... 所以她只能尽量塞满双手,然后冲到街上,
- 13. clutching her pearls and diamonds... and rubies and sapphires... her gold broaches... and her earrings!

 手上塞满了她的珍珠钻石,红绿宝石,还有她的金胸针和耳环。
- 14. That wealth of jewelry today would be valued today in hundreds of thousands of dollars. 这些珠宝若是在今天一定价值不菲,
- But, she delayed too long... and the poisonous fumes overcame her as she ran.
 但是她耽误得太久了,在逃亡的过程中,她被毒气吞噬了,
- 16. With all of her wealth in hand... she stumbled and fell... and died clutching the things she prized so much under the ashes of Pompeii. 她跌倒身亡,虽然双手握满了价值连城的财宝,但却这样永远倒在了庞裴城的死灰之中。
- 17. How do I know that? 我怎么会知道呢?
- 18. Recently ... archeological excavation found her... as she was still lovely... and her hands were still laden with jewels. 最近考古学家发现了她,她依旧美丽,双手仍然紧握她的珠宝。
- 19. In Mark chapter 8, Jesus said 耶稣在马可福音 8章说到:
- 20. "What shall profit a man if he gains the whole world... and loses his own soul?"
 人若赚得全世界但却赔上了自己的性命,又有什么益处呢?
- 21. Only Jesus could ask such a question. 唯有耶稣能问这样的问题,
- 22. For He alone knows the value of the earth. 因为只有祂才知道世界的价值。

23. He alone knows where every diamond mine is located. 只有祂才清楚每一块钻石的矿藏之地:

24. He alone knows where the last nugget of gold is to be found.

唯有祂知道最后一块金子埋在哪里;

25. He alone knows how many tons of silver were created in Genesis.

礼才知道创世之时有多少银子被礼所造:

26. He alone knows the value of all the rubies and sapphires.

祂才知道所有宝石翡翠的价值是多少;

28. He alone knows where the last undiscovered treasures are. 也只有祂才知道那些还没被发现的财宝在哪里。

- 29. And that is why only He could stack up all the earth's treasures on one side of the scale... 这就是为什么唯有祂才能把所有人世间的财 宝放在天平的一边,
- 30. and place the human soul on the other side. 又把人的灵魂放在另一边。
- 31. and then could say... the person who trades his soul for all the wealth of the world is a prince of fools.

 然后可以说,用生命去换世间所有财宝的人是个笨蛋。
- 32. "What shall profit a man," asks the Lord? 主问道:又有什么益处呢?
- 33. Jesus alone could ask such a question, 唯有耶稣才可以问这样的问题,
- 34. Because He alone knows the value of the soul. 因为唯有祂才知道灵魂的价值。
- 35. And the value of your soul... drove Him to weep in Gethsemane. 你宝贵的灵魂使祂在客西马尼园落泪;
- 36. The value of your soul... made the Prince of Glory allow himself to be beaten, slapped and spat upon.
 你宝贵的灵魂使荣耀的王子甘愿被鞭笞,被践踏;
- 37. The value of your soul... allowed Him to be crucified on a crude Roman cross. 你宝贵的灵魂使衪甘愿被钉上罗马人残酷的十字架;

- 38. The value of your soul... compelled God the son to go to Calvary and die in your place. 你宝贵的灵魂迫使神子走到加利利,替你而死。
- 39. And, that is why these two parables in Matthew 13:44 and 45... have to do with the all important question of choosing... and being in the will of God. 这就是为什么在太 13: 44和45节中的两个比喻,和选择并活在神的旨意中,是如此的息息相关。
- 40. For those of you joining the broadcast for the first time, we are in the middle of a study of a series of parables that I call "The Point of The Story."

 如果今天你是第一次收听我们的节目,我们正在研读耶稣的比喻,我称这一系列信息为"故事的精髓"。
- 41. Let's listen to these parables. 让我们一起来听听这两个比喻。太13:44-45。 天国好像宝贝藏在地里,人遇见了就把他藏起来,欢欢喜喜的去变卖一切所有的,买这块地。 天国又好像买卖人寻找好珠子,
- 42. Let us look at the first parable. 我们先来看第一个比喻,
- 43. What Jesus is telling them... was not an uncommon occurrence. 耶稣告诉他们的并不是什么特殊现象。
- 44. Back then there were no banks... .or bank vaults. 古时候没有银行,或是保险柜,
- 45. so they hid their treasures in a secret spot in the fields.

 因此人们把财宝秘密的埋在地里。
- 46. They buried their treasure in the ground 他们把财宝埋在地里,
- 47. And when they needed money to purchase food 当他们需要用钱买粮食的时候,
- 48. They got out at night when no one is watching, 他们就趁着夜深人静的时候,
- 49. and they will dig out that box, 挖出盒子。
- 50. and they get out a piece of jewelry, 拿出一件宝贝(珠宝),

- 51. and the next day take it to the market and sell it. 第二天再到市场上把它卖掉,
- 52. Then they use the money to buy their necessities.
 用卖的钱去买日用品。
- 53. But, what often happens is that many people have died without telling the next of kin where they buried their jewels. 但是,有些人死时还来不及告诉家人他们埋宝的地方,这样的事时有发生。
- 54. And family treasures stay in the ground. 于是家中的财宝就这样埋在地里,
- 55. Consequently the land of ancient Palestine was littered with treasures hidden in the ground. 渐渐地,古巴勒斯坦的土地里星星点点的埋着宝藏。
- 56. As you know, ancient Palestine had been a battle ground for hundreds of years. 你知道,那块土地几千年来一直是兵家必争之地。
- 57. so the farmers would bury their valuables to protect them from the invading armies of the enemy... 农民们也会把财宝埋在地里,以防敌人的进攻,
- 58. and some of them were never able to come back and get it. 有些人再也没有机会回去取回自己的财宝。
- 59. The Rabbis had a very simple rule about people finding treasures in the land which they had bought.
 于是,拉比就为找宝之人立了一个简单的规矩。
- 60. it was very, very simple... 真的非常简单,
- 61. "Finders keepers." 见者有份,谁发现就归谁。
- 62. The point of this parable is very clear and it is this: 这个比喻的精髓非常的清楚:
- 63. There are some people who find the grace of God.
 也就是说,有些人找到了神的恩典,
- 64. And they take hold of this priceless treasure of salvation.
 他们就有权拥有无价的救赎之恩。

- 65. There are some people who may not be searching and looking and we will see in the next parable, 但有些人可能没有去寻宝,就像我们看到的第二个比喻。
- 66. yet... when they discover the love of God... and the power of God's forgiveness... they surrender their all in order to embrace it. 然而,当他们发现神的爱,和神宽恕的大能之时,他们放弃一切来换取。
- 67. There are some people, who... in the course of going about their business... discover the truth to be in Jesus.
 有些人在他们自己的事业之中,发现了在耶稣里的真理,
- 68. And they respond to His invitation to come and be saved from death and hell... 他们就立即回应神的邀请,来到祂面前,被 祂从死亡和地狱中拯救出来。
- 69. and when their spiritual eyes are opened, they grab hold of it with all of their might. 当他们属灵的眼明亮了,他们就尽力地把握住机会,
- 70. They commit their life... and consecrate all of their possessions ... in order that they be at the center of the will of God. 他们交出生命,放下所有,只是为了顺服在神的旨意中。
- 71. The second parable is very similar to this one and yet there is one difference. 第二个比喻和第一个很相似,但却有一个不同之处,
- 72. This merchant, was unlike the farmer, 这个商人不像那个农夫。
- 73. why? 为什么?
- 74. Because, he was looking for the Kingdom. 因为他在寻找天国,
- 75. He was searching for the truth. 他在寻找真理。
- 76. He was not contented with second rate answers. 他对二流的答案不满意,
- 77. He was not satisfied with second best in life. 他对生活中次等品不满意,
- 78. He was not fulfilled with humanistic and partial truth.
 他对人文的部分真理不满足,

- 79. He was diligently seeking and looking for the truth.
 他努力地找寻真理。
- 80. Some of you may be seeking the truth 我们有些人可能正在寻找真理,
- 81. And I pray that you would find the truth in Jesus 我盼望你能在耶稣里找到真理。
- 82. So, when this merchant comes upon the one and only most valuable pearl, he embraces it with all of his heart 当商人发现了这唯一的一颗最贵重的珍珠,他就全然爱上了它。
- 83. When he discovers the truth in Jesus, 当他发现耶稣的真理时,
- 84. He gives up all of his search. 他就放弃了所有的寻觅,
- 85. He gives up all of his false pursuits. 他就放弃了虚无的追求,
- 86. He gives up all of their partial truth. 放弃了不完全的真理。
- 87. He gives up serving and worshipping materialism.
 不再崇拜物质主义,
- 88. He gives up seeking after pleasures. 放弃追求享乐人生。
- 89. Why? 为什么?
- 90. Because he has found the pearl of great price. 因为他发现了最贵重的珠子。
- 92. even more than they are today. 比现在还要贵重得多。
- 93. Diving for pearls was extremely hazardous. 下海寻珠是很危险的,
- 94. and many lost their lives... 许多人因此丧身,
- 95. or ruined their health in trying to get the oysters that contained the rare and beautiful gem. 或是为这装有美丽稀罕之物的贝壳而失去健康,
- 96. Both its beauty and scarcity made the pearl to be very valuable indeed.
 珍珠的美观和稀有,使它显得极为贵重。

- 97. The Jewish Talmud speaks of pearls that are beyond price. 犹太人的他勒目,也就是他们传统的生活指导文集,认为珍珠是无价的。
- 98. Egyptians and Romans worshiped it. 埃及和罗马崇拜珍珠,

SECTION B

乙部

- 1. It was reported that the wife of the Roman Emperor Caligula often wore a vast fortune of pearls in her hair... ears... neck... wrist ... and fingers.

 听说罗马皇帝卡里贾拉的妻子常在自己的头发,耳朵,脖子,手腕,和指头上戴满贵重的珍珠。
- A pearl is the only gem that is produced from a living organism.
 珍珠是唯一从活物身上产生出来的珠宝,
- 3. This is not true of any other precious stone. 不同于任何一种珠宝,
- The pearl becomes precious... because of suffering and injury.
 珍珠因着苦难和伤痛而显得珍贵。
- 5. Listen to how a pearl is formed. 请听我讲讲珍珠是怎样形成的:
- 6. A grain of sand gets within the shell of the oyster...

 一粒沙子进入贝壳中,
- 7. and through the grinding of the sand... the pearl becomes preciously beautiful. 通过不断地研磨,珍珠显得格外美丽。
- 8. And it was on Calvary's criminal cross that the only perfect man that ever lived... bled and died... 在加略山的十字架上,世上唯一完美的人流血致死。
- 9. so that He and He alone... became the most precious pearl of all. 祂,唯有祂,成为了世上最贵重的珍珠。
- 10. So what is the point of these two stories? 那么,这两个比喻的精髓要义是什么呢?
- 11. That salvation of the soul... is the most important and precious thing in life. 灵魂的救恩是生命中最重要,也是最宝贵的事。

- 12. That the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the most important issue in life. 耶稣基督的福音,是生命中最重要的事。
- 13. That is why Paul tells the Corinthians in II Corinthians 4:7 "We have this treasure in earthen vessels." 这就是为什么保罗在林后 4: 7说,我们有这宝物放在瓦器里。
- 14. And Ephesians 3:8 he tells us: "It is an unsearchable riches." 在弗3: 8说,这是基督测不透的丰富。
- 15. And Jesus Christ is no ordinary treasure... He is the precious stone. 耶稣基督不是普通的宝物,祂是最珍贵的宝石。
- 16. He is the stone cut out of the mountain. 祂是用一座山凿出来的宝石,
- 17. He is the stone cut without hands. 不是人手凿出来的。
- 19. But He is the corner stone. 但祂是房角石。
- 20. Jesus Christ is no ordinary pearl. 耶稣基督不是普通的珍珠,
- 22. Because in Him and Him alone you can find Rest from guilt and sin. 因为在祂,唯有在祂里面你才能找到安息,从罪恶中被释放出来。
- 23. In Him and Him alone you can find true peace of mind... which you can't find in things。在祂,唯有在祂里面你才能找到从物质里找不到的平安。
- 24. In Him and Him alone you can find true eternal security... which you can't find in financial security. 在祂,唯有在祂里面你才能找到财宝也不能带给你的安全感。
- 25. Until you find the real treasure... and pearl of great price... you are the poorest of the poor. 如果你没找到这真正的宝贝,你就是最最贫穷的人。
- 26. Earthly pearls, or earthly treasures could be stolen or lost 地上的财宝会丢失,会有人来偷,

- 27. But the great treasure and the pearl of great price you could never lose. 但这个最珍贵的宝贝你却永不会失去。
- 28. Why? 为什么呢?
- 29. Because it is guaranteed by God Himself. 因为这是神亲自应许的。
- 30. Those who have discovered the treasure and pearl of great price: 凡发现这颗最贵重的珠子的人,
- 31. Dwell high above the enemies reach. 他的敌人不能胜过他。
- 32. They eat the hidden manna and feed upon the bread of life.
 他们要吃隐藏的吗那,吃生命的粮。
- 33. They are clothed with the rich robe of Christ's righteousness.
 他们有基督的义袍,
- 34. They live on the promises of God... and walk on the richest of faith 他们活在神的应许中,行在丰盛的信心里。
- 35. My listening friends, 我亲爱的朋友,
- 36. Have you discovered this pearl of great price? 你是否发现了这颗宝贵的珠子?
- 37. Are you willing to give up anything and everything in order to receive the Lord Jesus Christ?
 你是否愿意放下一切,只为了得着主耶稣基督?
- 38. It is my prayer that you would say yes. 我盼望你会说愿意。
- 39. Until next time, I wish you God's richest blessing. 愿神大大地赐福你,再会。