

他們不必都上去 They Shall Not All Have to Go up

Joshua 7

The story is a familiar one. The application is how we decide on things. 耳熟能詳的故事, 應用是如何看/決定事情

Our work's value/our decision's validity has a lot to do with our relationship with our God.

I. The superficial one—the people's way/老百姓的方法—膚淺的方法.

(Josh 7:2-5)

This report is

(1). Considerate/顧慮大家的辛苦.

(2) Over Confident in self/對自己過度的充滿信心

(Josh 8:25)

(3). The shallow thing get the support the easiest./膚淺的事情常常得到最快的支持.

(Josh 7:4)

(4) Easy come easy go/這種熱情來得快, 去得也快.

(Josh 7:5)

II. Concerning about the glory of God—The Joshua way/約書亞的方法—顧慮神的榮耀.

God! How other people will think about you? 神啊, 如果我們敗了, 那麼你的臉朝哪裡放呢?

(Josh 7:6-9)

(1 Sam 4:2-4; 6).

God's name does not depend on our names./神的名不需要和我們的名掛勾.

III. He is creating in us living stones to be built into a spiritual house. 神塑造我們成為活石, 所以可以建造成永恆的靈宮.

God is creating fine spirituality in us; he is not creating pride in us.

(1Pet 2:4-5)

(Ps 90:17)

(Josh 7:10-12)

5 times 𠄎, “that is/就是”, 這個字詳細的列了五條:

Conclusion 結論

1. We toil all life, build something to retire n and to enjoy./我們以為一生的努力, 建立起來的成果, 等著我們去享受.

2. Result is not always what we expect./但是結果常常不如所料.

3. What is actually eternal/甚麼是真正永恆的呢?

Reflection/回應思考問題

1. If we call these three ways, the popular way, the pious way, and the God's way, which way best describe my ways of looking at things? How am I to resist the popular way, if my way is not the popular way? Share some of your experiences. 如果我們稱上面的三種方法為眾人的意見, 宗教的意見, 和神的意見, 哪一種意見最能夠描寫我一般看事情的方法? 若我不是大多數人的膚淺的意見, 我能夠抵擋大多數人的看法嗎? 我如何可以作到, 試分享之.

2. Do I have an experience where God seemed to pay more attention to my character than my work, try to share that experience with your small group. 我是否經驗過, 神花時間在對付我的品格和聖潔, 而不那麼在乎, 我是否把工作完成了? 試與你的小組, 分享這樣的經驗.