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Carry on till tomorrow

Good morning, teachers and students. Today, I'd like to share with you a song called "Carry on till tomorrow". "Carry on till tomorrow" is a British song. It is sung by the British band "Badfinger". This song is often considered the signature song of Badfinger.

The lyrics or words of the song "Carry on till tomorrow" are as follows:

In younger days, I told myself my life would be my own
And I'd leave the place where sunshine never shone
For my life's too short for waiting when I see the rising sun
Then I know again that I must carry on
Carry on till tomorrow, there's no reason to look back
Carry on, carry on, carry on

Beyond the shadows of the clouds and onward to the sky
Carry on till I find the rainbow's end
For my life's too short for waiting when I see the rising sun
Then I know again that I must carry on
Carry on till tomorrow, there's no reason to look back
Carry on, carry on, carry on

Drifting on the wings of freedom, leave this stormy day
And we'll ride to tomorrow's golden fields
For my life's too short for waiting when I see the rising sun
Then I know again that I must carry on
Carry on, carry on, carry on

And when the heavy journey's done, I'll rest my weary head
For the world and its colours will be mine
For my life's too short for waiting when I see the setting sun
Then I know again that I must carry on
Carry on till tomorrow, there's no reason to look back
Carry on, carry on, carry on

Boys and girls, I like this song very much, and I have three points to share with you.

Firstly, this song is full of contrasts. On the one hand, there are a lot of negative things (such as short life, shadows of the clouds, stormy day, heavy journey, weary or tired head and setting sun); **but on the other hand, there are a number of positive things** (such as younger days, sunshine, rising sun, rainbow, freedom and golden fields). **Actually, life is similar.** Just like the two sides of a coin, on the one side, there are negative things, but on the other side, there are a lot of positive things. Boys and girls, try to remember that life is in fact full of good and positive things.

Secondly, try to focus your attention on the positive things and choose positive responses. As the song says, “In younger days, I told myself my life would be my own”. Boys and girls, when you are facing life difficulties, you have two choices: Firstly, tell yourselves that life is not controllable and try to complain. Or secondly, tell yourselves that life is your own and you can choose the positive responses. Boys and girls, I sincerely hope that all of you would say to yourselves that life is your own and you will choose positive responses.

Thirdly, do not look back and complain; just proceed ahead with confidence. As the song says, “Carry on till tomorrow, there’s no reason to look back. Carry on, carry on, carry on.” Boys and girls, do not look back, just move ahead, continue and insist on doing the right things. In the Bible Philippians Chapter 3 Verses 13-14, Apostle Paul says something similar. “Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.” (腓立比書 3:13-14 「弟兄們，我不是以為自己已經得著了。我只有一件事，就是忘記背後努力面前的，向著標竿直跑，要得神在基督耶穌裡從上面召我來得的獎賞。」)

In conclusion, even though we will definitely face a lot of troubles and problems, be positive and optimistic, because life is full of good things. You can choose not to look back and focus your attention on the positive things.