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Week 17: Mission: Rescue Life

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Bishop Levy and Delia Knox

James: Wow! You know this book is in the bookstores, *Living Amazed*. I'm going to tell you something. I want everyone in this studio, everyone watching all over the world, I want you to live amazed. And it really doesn't matter that I want it, it is what God wants; it is what God makes possible. I can promise you this, I'm James Robison, my wife Betty and I, married now 54 years and wonderful. We had a few challenges that you helped us overcome.

Now listen to me. You're going to see a miracle. You're going to hear about a miracle as great as any I think you read in the New Testament -- just amazing! Because God is the same and you can live your life amazed. I hope that you'll take that invitation from the Lord to receive his amazing grace and his fatherly guidance.

We have a wonderful friend who lost his wife to cancer a few years ago, and then he lost his own life to cancer. But he had fellowship with a pastor that spoke so much life into him that Dan Cowart from Mobile, Alabama who supported our ministry with his love and his prayers and his finances so faithfully, this pastor so blessed him that it's just hard to imagine. And the pastor says that Dan blessed him also. He's in the Mobile, Alabama area.

Delia and Bishop Levy Knox, would you welcome them to *LIFE Today*?

Bishop Levy: Thank you. Good to be here.

James: I saw him dancing with you and you were dancing like an angel and you had been in the wheelchair, paralyzed, quadriplegic, or paraplegic, how long?

Delia: Twenty-two and a half years.

James: What happened to put you there?

Delia: I was struck by a drunken driver; 22 and a half years I was confined to a wheelchair living life as a paraplegic. God just amazingly transformed my life. I have to say that it was 22 and a half years of just hoping but I have to say Bishop Levy Knox came into my life well into the middle of it. We were married nine years before the miraculous move of God in my life.

It's been an amazing journey how God has brought Bishop Knox into my life because he has been teaching me the word of God.

You have to understand, I was serving the Lord already and so I had gone through a lot of revivals, a lot of healing services, I've been plopped, dropped, flopped, flipped, everything you can think of.

[Laughter]

And so a healing service was the last thing I wanted to go to; a healing, a miracle service was the last thing -- I would try to stay away from those areas because I had gone through 22 years of such altar calls. So when I married Bishop Knox -- well, he told me I would never have to live those experiences again.

So now when we fast forward nine years in our life, we had just celebrated nine years of marriage August 19th, 2010 at this time. And so here we just got back from our vacation where we take a time to just recoup and just reassess things where God has us. We had just gotten back and our dear friend, Apostle John Kilpatrick was in conversation with Bishop Knox and Bishop shared a word to him over his life and shared a word and Apostle John Kilpatrick asked him if we would share that that night at some special services he was having that evening.

So I, of course, went to support my husband. When I went, lo and behold they're having a healing revival.

[Laughter]

Well, you've got to understand, now you know if you know anything about John Kilpatrick, he has an anointing for revivals, for the move of God. But if you would have told me I was going to a revival I would probably have been like, I don't think so.

But Bishop, when he brought the word forth that the winds of God were changing, that something, that God is blowing in a certain direction. Well, I'm there, sitting there rooting my husband on -- rooting him on there. Then after he brings the word forth, the evangelist that went up, they introduced the evangelist, evangelist Nathan Morris. He comes up and he says, "Bishop, is this your wife?" And of course, I'm sitting up front with him. He begins to say, "Will you bring her forth?" So here is this moment Bishop promised I would never have to experience.

[Laughter]

And I'm sitting there saying to myself, oh Lord, here we go!

He goes, "Will you bring her forward? God is about to do something tonight." I'm like okay, gosh, here we go. So Bishop brought me forward. We both went forward and he was standing right by my side. I knew I could feel comfortable and secure with my husband as my covering right there. So as I sat there and he stood right by my side, I sensed the spirit of God doing something so miraculously.

Now I have to say it was miraculous in that just, just prior to that a child had come forth for healing. A parent brought a child over, a baby, for healing and the Lord began to just melt my heart there for the healing of this baby. While I was sitting there in that moment right after that, evangelist Nathan said, "Is this your wife, Bishop? Can you bring her forward?" As he brought me forward I went forward and my heart was already in the healing for that child. So as I sat there I sat there as he was praying. I was very careful with the words that he used over my life because if there is one thing I know, I want to know what you're praying over me for.

If you would have asked me back then, I lived my life where -- I got to the point where I said, anybody would come to me and ask me, "Can I pray for you for your healing?" I would immediately respond with, "Well, what makes you think I'm sick?" Because I didn't want to go through what they saw -- because I was in my wheelchair but I was serving the Lord. I believed in God, believed in the mighty power of God. I would worship. I would lead worship in my wheelchair. I would do so much. And so when somebody tells me they want to pray for my healing, I didn't want to be flopped, plopped and dropped and all that. Yes, I had accepted that just about because I was sitting there and I was like what are you going to pray healing for? What exactly makes you think I'm sick?

Now, evangelist Nathan Morris never asked that. But he said something very particular in his prayer. He said, "Let faith arise in this woman of God."

Now being married to Bishop Knox you have to know that he is a man of the word. And he had been -- he had been preaching the word and teaching the word on a special series at that time since 2007. He had been teaching the revelation of the "I am." -- Very incredible revelation. And as he would teach that to me and I would glean from that he would teach and he would say, "You have to move from the 11th chapter of faith, and the 11th chapter of Hebrews to 12th grade faith.

Now to me that didn't mean much. So I'm sitting there like, "I don't know what you mean." He goes, "Well, you've got to move. You've got to graduate to the 12th grade." I'm thinking, okay.

But that night as I'm sitting there, all I can think of is the words that were coming forth, those

words that were coming forth in prayer, "Let faith arise in this woman of God." I sat there and immediately, those words, the 11th grade to 12th grade faith came alive because the revelation of the "I am" that I had been receiving and gleaning from my husband came so to life because he would always teach, and he says it best about the "I am" and the "I am..." anything you add to the "I am" you become. And he just kept teaching that, and that kept going in my spirit.

In that moment when he would say, "Let faith arise in this woman of God," I immediately went to the 12th chapter of Hebrews where it says, "I am the author and finisher of your faith." So it was no longer that I don't have any more faith, and the reason why I'm not healed or the manifestation of healing is not occurring is because I don't have faith. If he is the author and finisher of my faith, it is going to take him to do this because he writes it out.

So immediately, I just started to think, in my spirit, I was like, "Father, it is not Delia who is going to rise from this wheelchair. It is the 'I am' -- I am healed -- I am whole -- I am that I am -- I am the author and finisher of your faith."

I immediately began to take that on, that persona of the "I am." Where the "I am" would rise within me and little did I know I would rock the "I am" back and forth, back and forth, and rock that "I am." I am healed. I am whole. I am what God says that I am.

And immediately, I just rocked myself out of that wheelchair and then fell. But in that moment after 22 and a half years I rose from that chair for a second. That's the power of God -- that's the power of God!

Something happened in that moment because I was hearing voices. The voices that I was hearing was like this isn't really happening. This is in my mind. You're not really feeling your legs. All these thoughts were going through my mind. Not voices but thoughts -- I don't want to make you feel creepy or anything.

[Laughter]

Thoughts were going through my mind. I was sitting here but a righteous anger. When I got up for that one moment and fell, a righteous anger rose up within me. And rose up within me in such a way that I just knew; I said, "I am that I am."

And as they kept saying, "What do you feel?" I said, "Just worship" because I had to shut down these thoughts. I said, "Just worship." God has a way of reaching us in the midst of worship that will transform you from that position into the heavenlies where the heavenlies and earth come together right in the earthen vessels that we are.

And it was so powerful what I had sensed. It was like it was no longer I (me) but it was the "I am" rising up. And immediately I began to worship, and worship to the point to where not once did the evangelist say, "Get up! In the name of Jesus, get up and walk." Not once did he try to pull me out of the chair or try to lift me out of the chair or anything like that. But instead, the power of God came in that room in such a mighty way that I immediately arose from that chair. I knew it was the power of God. And my husband was standing right next to me where we were both believing. And we knew right there and then, I really could sense that I had graduated from the 11th chapter of faith to the 12th chapter of faith where it went from now is, now faith is, now faith is... It is amazing the way Bishop says it because he always says, "Faith is in-between two present terms: Now -- is." And he was always telling me it is about present truth faith.

James: Stand up right now. Show them how you can stand. Can you move easily?

Delia: This is God! This is God! This is God.

James: You can dance?

Delia: I can dance. I can dance.

James: Bishop, how many years has she been out of the wheelchair now?

Bishop Levy: Actually, it was 2010 when the miracle took place in Mobile convention center in Mobile. So here we are now six years.

James: Isn't that beautiful?

Bishop Levy: So the miracle itself, I really believe that one of the frustrations in the body of Christ in the believers that I've seen is that we're trying to get in a room that we're already in. As long as you postpone something into the future you cannot appropriate in it now. If you postpone your healing into the future then you cannot appropriate the healing now.

Same as the kingdom of God -- we know the kingdom of God is past, present, and future but there is a present reality of the kingdom when the power of God comes which is a manifestation of God's kingdom. So what we saw, the miracle, is that we saw God sovereignly, supernaturally intervene where the kingdom of God came into time-space world and raised Delia up out of the wheelchair by the miraculous power of the Holy Spirit. And as we were standing there next to Delia and I can sense the surge of -- [shheww] -- it was a surge of the power of God and I felt that. When she began to move and come up out of the wheelchair, I knew that God was doing something so miraculous.

I really believe that right now, brother James, that we're in a season that we're going to begin to see a resurgence of miracles and signs and wonders like we've never seen before when the body of Christ comes together because we are in an atmosphere of unity, an atmosphere of love.

James: It won't be because of some healers but because of the healer on his people doing what he does. Do you believe... and let me just say where you are and right here, you may say, "God, there is something that needs to happen." Let's appropriate that right where you are.

I do believe there are people being healed right where you are all around the world who couldn't stand, you're going to stand. Some of you will fall before your Lord and your face in your carpet of your den or on the hardwood floor or wherever you are -- maybe a hotel room, it doesn't matter. "God, I want to stand up a new person."

I want you to pray because people have seen glimpses while you were talking of what was happening and have actually seen you dancing as they look at it all over the world. You've just said a profound truth there, the healing and the healer is here in his body and if his body will do one of the things that I think is so important and that's get connected with the Father's heart, doing the Father's will and living like his family and like the body of Christ that looks like Jesus, then we're going to see the miracles that Jesus does through his body yielded to him. Do you agree with that?

Would you just pray right now for people all over the world and in this studio that want the touch of God right now on their life? Would you do that?

Bishop Levy: Father, in the name of Jesus we thank you for the miraculous power of your spirit even tonight as we share concerning your divine intervention in Delia's life; that raising her up out of the wheelchair after being in the wheelchair for 22 and a half years, atrophy had set in, muscles had gone, but the creative power of your spirit raised her up and gave her the miracle and restored her mobility.

And now we thank you, Father, the same faith, the faith in you, we put our faith in you, and those that are watching this telecast right now, we thank you, Lord that the sovereign move of your Holy Spirit and your power intervene. We pray for divine intervention by the power of the Holy Spirit that the miraculous, that the kingdom of heaven has arrived -- the kingdom of heaven has arrived.

And now, Lord it is time that we declare and decree healing in their bodies right now. We command healing, wholeness, well-being, the miracles of God be released in their lives in those who have been believing and trusting you.

Father God, we thank you. Let faith arise in their hearts and may they connect with the supernatural power of your spirit. And we decree you sent your word and you healed them and delivered them from all destruction; in Jesus' name. Amen!

James: Would you just applaud the greatness of God? He is the same. If you, right now, want to dial that telephone number that's paid for by love and just say, "I want someone to agree with me" or "I want to report what just happened. I want to report what just happened. I want you to shout it around the world what just happened to me."

Father, thank you for what you're doing.

Pastor, thank you. Thank you. Would you say thanks to this beautiful couple that have showed us Jesus?

You're *Living Amazed*! And everyone can. This book is in the bookstores. We're sending it to those of you. This is what we ask our viewers to do. This is what Dan Cowart talked to you about all the time, how we were pouring God's love out all over the world and what a joy it is.

Listen to me. Right now -- and this is our last week for this emphasis on Rescue Life where we're going to get people out of sexual trafficking and get them into a new future. We're going to reach them, we're going to rescue them and we're going to restore them. And when I say "we" it's what we do together.

I want you to watch this closely. I think you're going to hear and see, hear through Sheila, see through actual settings, reality, I believe you're going to hear what God wants to heal miraculously through you and you're the agent of healing. Watch, listen, and please respond as God directs.

On the mission field

Announcer: Human trafficking -- it's a multibillion dollar industry where a trafficked girl can in some cases bring in \$200,000 a year to her owner. The crushing reality is almost two girls are trafficked, mostly children for sexual exploitation every minute of the day.

Sheila: On this trip to Southeast Asia, I've seen the worst things I've ever seen in my life; things that no mother ever wants to see: Children trafficked, dragged away from their homes, kept prisoner, trapped.

But today, I've got to see the other side. I've got to see the great news, what happens when God's

people move in and say, "No! Not on our watch."

Here we are at this amazing life center. The children are singing, they're laughing, they're the way children should be.

We brought you these stories. We told you what happens in the streets of Southeast Asia with children who are just the most vulnerable of all, kids who walk out into the back of a brothel and cry out into the night sky, "Is there anybody out there who cares for me? If there is a God, can you see me?" Because of our partners here who love God, who are listening to the Holy Spirit, they go in and they answer those cries and they deliver these children, literally from the pit of hell and they bring them to green pastures and they introduce them to a God who not only sees them, a God who knows their name, a God who has a plan for them, a God who has a future.

The joy that I have seen today, next to the darkness that I saw last night, fades for just a moment. But there is a lot more need out there. We're going to do a lot more. Our partners want to expand this because the thing is we're ministering to these kids, we're saying to them, "You are a child of the King of kings and so we're going to restore all the broken places inside and introduce you to the one person who can transform everything, the one person who can take your darkest night and shine light into that and that is the person of Jesus Christ."

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In the studio

James: That is exactly what love has done. Do you know, Betty, when we first built the House of Destiny, we could show the children coming in and we could show them singing and rejoicing and learning how to speak English and other languages; and to grow and to develop their little minds. Now we can't show -- as you saw there -- we couldn't show their faces because when the faces are shown then these children, if they're ever seen, they become targets. So we are changing their lives but we can't expose their beautiful little faces so when they go out they become a direct target. Isn't that tragic? That's how evil the enemy is in his destructive tactics.

But Betty, we've seen these children changed; many of them now are teachers in schools. Many of them have their own family and they're teaching them the ways of God. Many of them are school teachers, some of them are college professors, some of them are now becoming community leaders. What your love has done has transformed the lives of thousands and thousands of children and women who were trapped, including boys. So your love never fails.

Betty, I think this is one of the most joyful things we've ever done is to set these captives free and our partners have let us do it.

Betty: I do too. If you could just see the faces, if we could show you the faces of these precious children when we bring them out of that despair and that hopelessness that they didn't think they would ever see the light of day again, that anyone would ever offer hope to them again, you would love their smiling faces.

But just know they are in a safe place now because you've reached out, because you've helped *LIFE Today*. If you know, if you've watched *LIFE Today* very long, you know that we always bring you a need because we care about children all around the world.

Well, these children really need some hope delivered to them. Will you help us do that? Will you help us reach out to them and say, "We want to take you to a place, a safe place, a place of hope and laughter and joy so that you can be the child that God created you to be."

James: But it is your love that makes that happen. Just as we were able to show you a while ago the glimpses from years ago, how beautiful these children are, that's the transformational power of love -- it just totally changes everything.

I want you to remember this. This is our last week for this emphasis. We had a miracle \$200,000 matching gift challenge. What you give today can be doubled. Think about this. It takes \$128 to rescue a child. If you gave \$64 we now have the \$128. If you give the \$128, we rescue two, not one. And then we ask many of you, and frankly, we're going to need to see that happen today and through this week; \$1280 we can rescue ten, now it becomes 20, it's doubled.

Would you right now go online or dial the number that others have called because they need prayer, they need hope and help and love? But would you call that number or go online and take your bankcard and make the gift God put on your heart?

We have some gifts to send you to bless you and help you grow in your relationship with the Lord. But you're going to be bringing great joy and life and hope to some who consider the future totally hopeless. But God through his love gives us hope and he gives us help, not just in word, but in deed, in action.

Would you please right now get that card? Would you make that transforming call because of love? Thank you for doing it! Thank you so much.

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Announcer: Innocent children and young people longing to be loved and cared for are being

abducted and sold at the hands of violent predators, their spirit and body broken under horrific emotional and physical abuse. Through Mission: Rescue Life you can reach out to save children vulnerable to sex traffickers. You can help rescue those already enslaved and you can help restore their lives and give them a future.

Now a generous opportunity of a \$200,000 matching gift means your gift of \$128 to help rescue a child will be matched to help two children. Your \$64 gift will be matched to help rescue one child from the horrors of human trafficking. And a \$32 rescue gift will be doubled to \$64.

With your gift we will send you James Robison's new book, *Living Amazed*: How divine encounters can change your life. As you read these inspiring stories you'll learn how to live amazed in the presence of God 24 hours a day.

With your gift of \$100 or more you'll receive James's new book, along with the companion Amazed Journal so you can record accounts in your own life where you're amazed at God's goodness.

Finally, please consider a gift of \$1280 which will now help rescue 20 children and you may request our beautiful new "Determined Eagle" bronze sculpture.

This is the last week. Please call, write, or make your gift online.

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In the studio

James: I want to just remind you as we say thanks for what you're doing to give life, that *Living Amazed* is the way we're supposed to live as the family of God, the family of the ultimate Father, and we'll be glad to send it to you to say thank you.

Also, there on the website is the name of the church where Pastor Knox is the Bishop. And also, you'll see right there, the website where they have information that is very, very inspirational and helpful concerning the miraculous that God is so anxious to perform so freely all over the world through his body, through his church.

Would you join Betty and me in saying again, thank you so much for this incredible testimony?

Bishop Levy: Thank you.

James: Delia, thank you. We thank you, buddy. It's been an honor to be with you.

Bishop Levy: It's been an honor to be with you. Betty, James, thank you so much!

James: Thank all of you! Thank you so much for watching. And thank you for helping us share life in Jesus' name. Thank you!