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Week 42: Mission: Rescue Life

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Paula White Cain and Jonathan Cain

Betty: Welcome to *LIFE Today*! Thank you so much for joining us. I'm Betty and this is James.

James: Well, we have got Paula White Cain. I'm not even sure when I introduced her the other day that I put the Cain on there. I messed up! You know that? And Jonathan is so kind.

But here's the deal. This is an incredible story. I got to watch it up close and personal in some ways but from a distance in prayer for years. I'm seeing the answer to prayer. This Jonathan Cain, I didn't really know -- I heard the *Eagles* a few years ago and I called my son. I said, "Randy, have you ever heard this group the *Eagles*?" It was when they were doing their kind of comeback-together deal.

He said, "Dad, they're as great as musicians as ever been. Did you not know?"

I said, "No, I didn't know."

Then I found out about this group *Journey* and about their lead singer and about some of their songs; and Jonathan Cain, of course, he's written some of them. He's one of their great musicians and a singer. And all of the sudden I realize, here they are. And then I meet him and he's with Paula. Then I find out they're getting married and I'm looking at this rocker over here, this musician guy. And here's the guy that didn't even know who

the *Eagles* were, didn't know *Journey*.

Let me tell you something. Jonathan, watching what God is doing in Paula's life is magnificent. You're watching up close and personal. Watching what's happening in your life, and I'm just going to go ahead and say it to you, of all the people she's been around, and she's been around a lot of well-known people, she's been around a lot of preachers, you've impacted her in the most profound and positive way of anybody I've ever seen being close to her.

What I'm watching God do in your life is amazing and *Journey* is kind of back on another big roll. And you've got another great lead singer.

Jonathan: We sure are. And God brought us Arnel. He is a blessing and has a heart for God. Loves his family. He represents us so well. He prays with us back stage and it's just a breath of fresh air for us all. We watch him get out there and he has so much energy and he... Funny thing! He wears the same size shoes as Steve Perry.

James: Well, he's got that big voice too.

Jonathan: Size seven! And he always told me, those are big shoes to fill. I said, "Arnel, you bring your own shoes." But he does. There was a pair of sneakers that showed up. They were Steve Perry's old sneakers and they fit. True story.

James: That's good. Tell me about this journey right here. What do you think about what you're watching? Because she was honest. I don't have a moment's thought that she covered her journey. You saw it, fell in love. But you didn't know that she was going to be journeying back and forth to the nation's capital.

Jonathan: Well, I prophesied something, sir. Yes. When I met her she was asking me questions about finding balance in her life. And I was trying to help her find a balance between, I told her it was like making a great chord and a lousy chord. I said it's all... the

three things that have to go together. You have to find the elements in your life and balance them. And she believed me.

But I said, "By the way, there is going to be a second coming of Paula White Cain that the world has not seen yet. And it is going to be greater and more profound than anything you've ever accomplished." I told her, "And it's coming. And the world is not going to be ready. You're going to be a world changer."

James: And this is a rocker talking all this stuff?

Paula: He's making me cry! He did.

Jonathan: God showed me. I said there's too much in you to be held back. And your voice is such a voice. And I've watched her preach all over the world, with a transparency and an energy and a love for God and the gospel and the word. It just has to come back.

So for me to watch this now, yep, I was right!

[Laughter]

It's like when *Journey* came back in 1998 and they all said we couldn't do it. Um! They were wrong!

[Laughter]

James: The thing is that I'm watching this where she is winning the respect of people who were taught to not even like her much less respect her. I'm going to tell you why I believe it is there. Because the love of God that literally pulled broken pieces together to make the most beautiful stained glass window you've ever seen for the glory of God, you can see Jesus in it, they were watching something so real and they see unconditional love.

They watch a woman that is trying to help people not because they're wealthy or successful or well known or powerful, she just loves them. And she loves everybody around them and she loves everybody that comes in from whatever stripe you're in, she is not dividing people into their little tribes. She is really, really trying to get God's arms around all of them knowing that God put his arms around her and put his arms around both of you and brought together this incredible couple. I think from the time you walked in this studio, Jonathan, you got around us, did you feel like Betty and I loved you and received you right off?

Jonathan: Absolutely! We're like family, sir. I think kingdom minded people are very... they're loving to each other and we respect and we understand that we have to be together as a family. And we are one big family. We're one church.

James: There is only one church. We need to learn that. And a perfect Father, we'd like to have the family...

Jonathan: She married a Catholic. You know what I'm saying?

James: That's his background. How did y'all meet?

Jonathan: Southwest Airlines.

Paula: It's crazy! Neither one of us -- it's in here. So I tell all the single ladies that fly Southwest... No seriously, I was...

Jonathan: The enemy can't get you at 30,000 feet.

[Laughter]

Paula: What was crazy is I talk about flow in there and how God had to teach me not to force what doesn't fit. And in this real dramatic lesson on this horse taught me how to

flow and just trust him and let go. So I don't try to make something fit when it doesn't.

Anyway, I was going to get on a plane to come to Texas and it was Southwest. It was sold out. I'm like well, somebody gives up their seat every day on Southwest. I told my secretary, "Just keep calling, keep calling." I never do that. I'm usually, "Oh, book me later." And I was so determined to get on that noon flight. This was like three weeks.

So finally the day of she calls me and goes, "I made a call this morning and one seat opened up." I walk in and I'm in the C -- I'm like C? I'm an A on Southwest! So I get on and I sit across from him. I drop a book, he thinks I did it on purpose but I didn't. He looked at me in my eyes and he goes, "What do you do?"

And the Lord gave me three words for him. Just like that. Gave me a word of knowledge for him to tell him that God loved him. I usually would say, "I'm a public speaker," because I know this is going to be a three-hour conversation. If I say, here I am a woman, I'm a pastor. Right? I said, "I'm a pastor."

He went, "Really?"

And I started talking to him and at the end of us just opening up our entire lives to each other on that three-hour flight, I said to him, "God wants you." He wanted -- he grew up wanting to be a priest. I'll let him tell his story but he was in the most tragic fire in history; 93 children died. Changed all code. Got saved in a Baptist church when he was 19 years old. And always, he says, "I always had to walk with God." His father was a strong praying man -- very strong prophetic man. And always was his vision keeper. But John said, "I shared the room with God like the suite, but I never opened the bedroom to him. I didn't let all the way in."

Jonathan: Or say thank you. For me, there was discouragement, sort of an unworthiness came over me and I was going through my midlife crisis. I was in a bad marriage. And I kind of lost hope and I lost touch. Some of you probably have gotten off line with God.

Where are you, God? How did I lose you?

And my question for Paula was, is it possible to establish that relationship with Christ again that I had when I was young? I want that glow back. I want my glow. She encouraged me, yeah! It is possible. And she said, "There's the Holy Spirit on you and I believe you will reunite once again." And boy, did we ever. It was funny. I told her I wasn't going to get married. I was never going to go to Africa. Well...

Paula: This is a funny part. This is the guy who kept telling me, he asked me, he said, "Would you like to come meet me first?" He asked me to a *Journey* show. So I brought my daughter with me. I'm kind of like hi! Hi!

And then he's like, "Would you like to come meet me and stuff?"

I didn't date. What am I going to do? I don't know how to date. So I kept telling him. I said, "Well, there's this man, he's a strong mentor-spiritual father-like figure in my life, he lives in Africa. I talk a lot about him."

He'd said, "I'm never getting married! I'm never getting married. I'm never going to Africa." I just prayed.

So he goes to Longdon to meet him. Has a head-on collision with the Holy Spirit. Totally gets saved and he looks at me and says, "Will you take me to Africa?"

[Laughter]

Jonathan: We got married in Africa. Three times we got married.

Paula: We did! One for God, one for the Father, one for God the Son, one for God the Holy Spirit. We sealed it. What was so amazing, he went to Africa. I mean surrounded by prayer. Like five days we're on prayer mountain. We're praying, 12-14 hours a day.

He's in the jungle, literally, village night praying and praying.

Jonathan: They pray serious over there! They don't joke around. They get right to the enemy. It's warfare.

Paula: He goes to Archbishop, he said, "I'd like to get baptized."

James and Betty, I've never seen something this supernatural. He gets baptized. First off it is like five-hour baptism. They're taking him all through the word, everything, repentance, everything else. He was down under that water, he comes up and I literally see on him like I'm looking at a different person.

But I knew -- I knew -- I'll say this as a woman, I knew because he gets down on his knee in the car and he asked me to marry him. But he says, I watch him. We get back, and this will say something to women. He changed his phone number, he blew up all his social emails, all his social media, he changed his email. I never said a word to him. I thought oh, he's serious. He just cut off everything to his past. I'm in.

[Laughter]

I'll take him.

Jonathan: It didn't take me long to figure out you can't date a pastor too long. You have to make things right before God. I never had a woman speak to the king in me like Paula to really hear my heart as a first time. I thought, I remember that ride on Southwest. I said, I never had that really kind of rapport with a woman that was so deep. We had so much in common. We both shared the tragedies, we'd made millions, lost millions, we'd done similar things in life and we knew what we wanted in life. I was writing my memoir, *Don't Stop Believin'* at the time, I was on the plane writing it.

Paula: Which is a great book to get!

Jonathan: I was on my laptop and so I was sharing my stories of my faith with her. And was so encouraging to hear her. I needed to hear this today! So it was great to finally let go of all the fear and just say yeah, this is the love of your life. I guess I was fearless in love at this point. Just said, "God, take me God, I surrender. I love this woman."

[Applause]

Paula: I say this, and I write about it, I wanted to create...

James: The book is great and so much of this is here in absolute detail.

Paula: I've been married before, but I never had a husband. I have a husband. I never will forget, James and Betty, the first time he prayed for me. He came up and put his hands on my shoulder really light and there was no "thee" or "thou" or 50 scriptures. He said, "Jesus..."

James: Oh my, he's normal!

[Laughter]

Paula: A real guy! A real man! And he just wrapped his arms around me and he prayed the simplest prayer. It melted me to my core. I felt God's presence probably more powerful than, one of the most powerful profound times I'd felt. We take communion together every day. He cooks for me. He prays. We'll be standing there. He'll know how tired I am or this or that or I'm taking care of business or doing something and he'll just put his arms around me and he'll start praying. He's like, "God give her the strength." Then he buys me nice shoes.

[Laughter]

Jonathan: I bought her a pair yesterday!

James: I want you to sing the song by this title. You wrote it.

Jonathan: Yes, sir. Well, I wanted to make it modern. I wanted to make it to the point to have a message; have a little bit of a bounce to it like Paula. Have a pair of high heels on. So it's *Something Greater*. Here it is!

[Jonathan sings]

I was broken, I was lost
Lived through highly felt pain
'Til I found you at the cross
Where you took away my shame
Just couldn't see at the time
You guiding me at every turn
Oh, I would stumble, I would fall
You planted lessons I would learn
Use me, Lord for *Something Greater*
Wrap my story, mighty author, my creator
Nothing else could ever set me free
Grateful for the life you've given me
Always faithful
Always leads me to *Something Greater*
Felt revelation in your word
Felt power in your name
Put you high or put you first
I knew my world forever changed
You healed my wounds with perfect love
Washed my sin with waves of grace
Set apart I am restored
For me, your presence is enough

Use me, Lord for *Something Greater*
Wrap my story, mighty author, my creator
Nothing else could ever set me free
Grateful for the life you've given me
Always faithful
Always leads me to *Something Greater*
Rescue me out of darkness
Heal me where I'm torn
I will follow you into battle
Face the darkest storm
And I will overcome
Use me, Lord for *Something Greater*
Wrap my story, mighty author, my creator
Nothing else could ever set me free
So grateful for the life you gave to me
Always faithful
Always leads me to *Something Greater*
Move me, Lord
To *Something Greater*
I will follow
I will follow you
To *Something Greater*

James: And it is absolutely the *Something Greater* that he wrote about is something greater I'm watching in the two of you. So grateful for both of you.

Jonathan you've been sitting and watching leaders impacted by the truth you just sang about and by God and that's the only hope for the nation.

Jonathan: That is the only hope.

James: God's truth and his way and his love. Thank all of you for being a prayer partner and supporter. This book is in the bookstores, get it! We are right now and boy, you talk about somebody that wants everybody that's been hurt helped, Paula does, Jonathan does. We're helping rescue those most horrible scenes in the world, sexually trafficked young people, boys and girls, primarily girls, harmed. And those that exploit them held captive by the deceiver. Pray for their freedom. But let's set these who are trafficked free. Together we can do it. We can rescue them.

We've got some friends who so deeply care they said we will match what you do up to \$320,000. That was a lot coming from a few people saying, "We care that deeply about setting them free."

I want you to watch very closely and you can see what evil does but then you can experience and express what only love can do. Watch closely.

On the mission field:

Ralph: We're standing here today on the edge of two countries, India and Nepal. And what you see behind me is a flow of vehicles, people. There's a lot of business going on out here. What we don't see so clearly though is the evilness, the darkness because some of these people are actually being trafficked against their will.

>> For years and years and years, thousands and thousands of Nepali children, Nepali girls and even older women have been trafficked into India. And from India, they're taken into third countries like Middle Eastern countries. So there's such a need for us to be able to do something to prevent this. So our program allows us to install teams of people right at the border between Nepal and India.

Ralph: Is that what these girls and the men in the yellow shirts are doing?

>> Yes! That's our staff. We have about 55 people located in three different stations that cover the three trading, major trading posts between Nepal and India. We have been able to rescue over 1900 women, girls and boys over the course of three or four years from three different stations. So it's been a huge, huge success just to be able to curtail the trafficking problem in Nepal.

Ralph: All day long just watching for girl -- seven days a week. Any of you who are parents out there, the feeling that you have, to have one of your own little girls tricked by traffickers, let's just say for the next 20 years of her little life, she is going to be a slave to men and they're never to be heard of again.

That would break my heart to have my own daughter caught in a situation where she can't get out and just to be used and abused day after day, night after night. I think that would break your heart too. I know it breaks mine. We need to do something about that.

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In the studio:

James: And we will together. I can't look at Ralph and these precious daughters that are just beautiful girls and knowing that our mission director and overseer said good-bye to his wife not too long ago. And there he is. And these beautiful girls, his daughters are precious. There's a dad that's just trying to put God's arms around the most overlooked, abused, hurt people, perhaps on the planet.

Would you please join Ralph who goes right there? And look at all these incredible mission workers that your love and your support makes possible to support the outreaches. Not only there on the border of India and Nepal but all over the world. And then the sex capital of the world, the most unbelievable home for trafficked children that have been totally changed all by love.

We have an amazing, Betty, this just stuns me. Some of our donors said we so believe in

this, it's so important to us, would you join with these people? Think about what they did. They stepped up and said, we'll give \$320,000 as a matching gift, Betty to everyone who will make a gift we'll match it. It takes an average of \$128 to reach, rescue, and begin the restoration process.

I always challenge our viewers, you know I do this, I want to elevate your thinking. If you can give \$128 please do. It will be doubled. You'll reach two. But I always say to our viewers, could you possibly rescue ten? Could you give \$1280? Would you please? Betty and I will. And we know it will be matched because of the love in people just like you. All right, what you do will be doubled.

We have some beautiful gifts to send you to say thank you. We'd like to bless you. But you're giving the greatest blessing, you're giving freedom and life. Please right now go get your bankcard, would you do that? Or write a check, make it to *LIFE*. That's what you're giving! Or get that card and go online or dial the phone number there that people are calling in for prayer. And that's paid for by your love. But would you call right now and say, put this on my card, knowing it will be doubled. If you could help rescue ten or even more, do it. Rescue one it will be two. Please right now you respond as God's leading you to and you immediately become someone's miracle. Thank you for doing it.

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Announcer: Behind the bright lights there's a darkness where a world of innocence is lost, and abuse runs rampant scarring the souls of children with no one and nowhere to turn for help. With bodies broken and hopes crushed, these young victims are trapped in a never-ending nightmare.

Today you can shine the light of God's love in this dark world to reach, rescue, and restore these young ones to the life God designed for them to live. With a generous \$320,000 matching gift, now your gift of \$128 to help rescue a child can be doubled to

help two children. Your \$64 gift will be matched to help rescue one child from the horrors of human trafficking. And a \$32 Mission Rescue gift will be doubled to \$64.

And with your donation of any amount we'll send you the faith, hope, love tea towel set. These beautifully woven hand towels are a wonderful reminder to remain steadfast in faith, hope, and love each day.

With your gift of \$128 or more you'll receive the life-giving Proverbs journal bound in genuine leather. This journal is filled with wisdom and daily encouragement from Proverbs, featuring lined pages for your personal notes as you reflect on godly instruction to success in life.

Finally, please consider a gift of \$1,280 which will now help rescue 20 children! And you may request our beautiful bronze sculpture, "Safe in the Shepherd's Arms."

Please call, write, or make your gift online.

End of video

In the studio:

James: I'm believing with all my heart that every person who can help did so gladly and joyfully. Thank you so much. Betty and I say thanks in behalf of all those you help.

And we want to say thanks to the one who does something greater in impossible situations, miraculously. We've heard that in this beautiful couple, what God's doing in their lives. I want you to join Betty and me saying thanks to Jonathan Cain and Paula White Cain. The book is in the bookstores. You help us rescue these who are trafficked. You say, James, would you send me Paula's book? We will to say thank you. Thank you!