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Week 29: WFL

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"It Takes a Heart Change"

JAMES: I want to get your attention. There is no way, I don't care how effective a communicator is that I can emphasize enough how important it is that you hear, what you're going to hear today. When I tell you, now please, please hear.

By the way, Betty and I welcome you to *Life Today*. The family's in the family room. We need to hear this, Father. God said that he always uses a few to move the many. There is no exaggeration that God and you are a majority. When you bring a group of people together in the shelter and shadow of the Almighty, and you're under the watch-care of the shepherd, the Lord, who is the Shepherd, he will direct you to green pastures to still calm waters no matter how great the storm, to a peace in the valley, even the valley of the shadow of death, and all darkness and pain. He will prepare a table before us in the presence of all enemies and excusers and anoint our heads with oil. And we will know that goodness and mercy follow us not only in eternity, you've got to get this, but all the days of our life.

Please hear me. We do not have to give the keys of God's kingdom here; this is his earth, this is his garden, and this is his planet. He created us as his family to be overseers of all that he created, in spite of all hell coming against his kingdom purpose. The final kingdom is settled. You've nothing to do with that. You may see blessings that come because of some things that happen here but you only do battle and win over this fierce enemy who is out to destroy the kingdom purpose, the will of God, with every fiber of his dark, deadly being. And we don't have to let him do it.

And the stage is set right now for the greatest adjustment in history. It would be called a supernatural spiritual awakening. Right now decisions are being made that are so important, and they are the answer to prayer. Please hear me! And as you've heard me say, if you listen, I've talked about focused prayer, really focusing on issues, on situations, on challenges, on great difficulties. If we focus, it is like taking the power and example -- this is a living example, the Colorado river and forcing it through a turbine. It will light up the Sonoran Desert. I'm repeating something I've said before. It will light up a desert! The power of what? Prayer! You need to pray right now, God heal your church. Please get this. God only uses to oversee his garden, his planet earth, and accomplish his kingdom purpose on his earth for his glory, he uses, Betty, his family. And he also refers to it as his body, the church, the family of God, and the body of Christ -- basically one and the same.

The body is made up of many members, families are too. The body of Christ submits to one head. The family that's healthy, connected, loving one another, and here's the big deal, we not only love God and we love our neighbor, we love one another. That's the only way a marriage can last. You're going to have differences, you're going to have distinctives. You're going to have serious disagreements. Both of you are not necessarily going to be right, you could both be wrong. You might both be right and disagree. We have to learn how to get along as a family but also as a body where each member is seen as important and connected, submitted to the one head which is Christ.

Now, this is what you must understand right now. We're seeing decisions made, let's just take this. Let's take Roe vs. Wade. One of the worst decisions ever made by any court, the Supreme Court. It was totally, it was not even in the scope of their ability to even do what they did. It was insane. It was dangerous. And no matter what you do with it, it continues to be dangerous, whether you cast this --

Please listen to me. I've been saying this to you consistently for more than 40 years. I have been saying this since Roe vs. Wade passed and I'm a product of a forced sexual relationship. My mother was a hospice nurse raped by the alcoholic son of the man she

was caring for in their home. She got pregnant at 40, her first child. Wasn't supposed to be able to get pregnant. Had been married, divorced, and never pregnant. Now she is pregnant. She's got problems. So what does she do? She goes to have an abortion. The doctor said no. And I was born. And Betty, we've got three children, 11 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren, but we've saved millions of lives all over the world. When I say we, you, those of you who watch join with us, put God's arms around the people that are overlooked, the least of these, the unnoticed, and give them miraculous life. We become the miracle that somebody is praying for. The answer to somebody's prayer.

That's what the body of Christ is here for. That's what the family of God is here for. So see, I was enabled to be born because a doctor said no to a request that destroyed a life. Please don't miss this! We don't need to spend all of our time arguing about Roe vs. Wade and bad decisions. All we'll do is continue to perpetuate the death cycle and the dissension and the division that never lets us think straight. We will be saying no to God, saying no to him as God, saying something to something else as though it is God. We will be ignoring God's Word, we not only will not obey His Word which is a hedge of protection, which is a safeguard, but we will change it into a lie and be given over to depraved thinking where you can't think straight. Meditate on Romans one, I plead with you! Meditate on it, start at 18 -- verse 18 to the end of the chapter. You can't think. We're not thinking straight.

But listen to me please! We can flip it now. Already you can see decisions are being made to say that was a bad decision. The problem is how we react to a correction. Because you see it wasn't a bad law, it was a bad mindset where you stop taking seriously what God says matters, intercession with the Father, prayer, staying in fellowship with God, living in the shelter and shadow of the Almighty, living in that close relationship. When you don't think prayer at home and your relationship is important, Betty, it is not going to seem very important somewhere else. We quit praying! We quit taking it seriously. And then we pass a law that you can kill a baby in the womb? A living life? You say, James, how are we going to stop it? You've got to change the law. Well, you can change the law, but it won't stop it. The only way we stop murdering the innocent is to

value life: the potential, the promise, the possibilities of every precious life.

Betty, we don't need to get into this argument as though we're going to win it because we won't. It is a fruitless discussion. Let's just say a little 12- or 13-year-old girl gets raped. She comes home and she is pregnant. There is no way that we're going to be able to stand and tell that family and that little girl you're going to have that baby. This is a decision that does fall on the shoulders of that family. It really does. You may believe, well, God can use a baby of that little girl because we've had people on here who had children when they were only 12, and those little children grew up to be magnificent.

But the point is, once you have a child in the womb like my mother did, she had a little baby boy, and when the doctor wouldn't abort, now please listen, I believe it was answered prayer where people are praying, God, let everybody know that every life is precious. I don't think they were praying about abortion. It wasn't a part of the discussion back then. But my mother said she sat down where she was nursing and caring for an elderly man where this had happened, and as she prayed on a screened-in porch God said, "Have the baby. The baby will bring joy to the world."

Do you realize we have brought a lot of joy to the world? But only because of the love of God in you. Because all Betty and I could do is care and weep and do a little bit ourselves. But together, we become a family, we become the body of Christ. And we can put his loving arms around a broken, overlooked, dying, desperate, needy world! And we do it with such joy. You know that we're going to ask you to do that.

Well, I'm asking you today for the future of freedom, for the future and blessing of everyone you love on this earth and in your family. Everybody in God's family that he wants to adopt into his family, he loves everybody. We're not trying to straighten everybody out and tell them we're the ones that are right. He's right. He's given us a word, he's given us a hedge, he's given us boundaries, he's given us law. We don't have to keep them. We don't have to live in his shelter or his shadow. We don't have to live in his presence. We don't have to follow the shepherd. We can live with our fists clinched in the

face of a holy God. Freedom gives you that.

If we don't put our feet down and stand up, suited up in the armor of God, which is love and truth and courage, boldness, compassion. Yes, you can have all of that: Courage, boldness, compassion, unconditional love, sharing transforming truth, loving those even who rebel. As Jesus said, "Father forgive them. They're under the control of another force, another power, that has made them slaves to deception and dissension and death and destruction. Forgive them."

This is how we change it right now. Betty, we will stop abortion when every woman that finds herself with child realizes that there is something precious, there is something with great promise and potential. We're not going to stop them by organizing political power even though we need to vote against the things that are wrong.

And we're not doing that, Betty. What do you want every person to hear about the importance and the preciousness and potential of every child in the womb?

BETTY: Well, I was sitting here, and you said it so well, through speaking from your heart, James. It has to be a heart change. That's the only way it's ever going to work. God puts into our hearts the values of truth and love and life. And I look at our son now who is in his 50s. He has beautiful children, four of them. They're all married now, and he has his first grandchild, a boy, and just the miracle of God. I thank the woman that gave birth to him. She chose not to abort. She gave life to him. And God knew exactly where he was going to put that little boy -- in our arms! He knew the family, God had already chosen the family and he has brought such joy to us and our family, James.

And then God blessed us with a child that we weren't supposed to be able to have. We try to get ahead of God sometime, or we forget God and we try to take charge of things without God, and what a mess we make when we don't let God lead us. We don't hear his voice in our hearts; and he'll say, "Follow me. I'll never leave you nor forsake you. I'll go before you, and I'll be your rear guard."

We have to come to that point. And as Christians, we can't say, oh well, I'm okay. I'm going to heaven. I'll be fine. What about all the others out there? God doesn't forget about them. He loves every one of them. And as Christians, as his children, we have an obligation, a responsibility to allow him to use us to reach those that don't know him and don't serve him.

So this is where we are right now. We're at a crossroads, James, in our lives. We have to make a choice.

JAMES: And this is the remnant, the circle of people who've heard God through what she just said. And know that it is his love that never fails and his truth that transforms. Right now we need to come together to say, God, we're going to vote principles -- not parties, not personalities. We're going to choose principles and encourage our leaders to put unshakeable principles, proven principles, not only biblical but historically confirmed, irrefutable, and undeniable. The blessings of building on those principles are indescribable. The consequences of not building on them and neglecting them are horrific. The consequences beyond description are horrible.

Right now, people are coming to stand up like a city that can't be hidden, filled with love and truth, who will not waver, who will understand the only way we overcome the cycle of dissension, deception, defeat, and destruction is with unconditional love and truth prevailing in our lives demonstrated by our lives. Yes, by a family and by a body.

Father, that's the reason we're all listening today. We're going to focus our prayers on that miracle. And we're going to yield our lives to be healthy members of your family. A member of your body standing against the deceiver, the father of lies, the destroyer, death, destruction. In Jesus' name.

I believe with all my heart you heard the Father, and his family are the keys. The only way we stop Satan's activity and his deadly intentions to take over and be God without

God, to destroy everything pertaining to life and godliness are to be the healthy family and the body of Christ.

It is an honor and a privilege to be united in spirit with you. Do you realize that God brought us together supernaturally -- this is no exaggeration -- to become the answer to someone's prayer, to become the miracle they long for, they desperately need? To literally, together put the loving arms of Jesus around the world and the individuals he gave his life to redeem.

Right now, we're in our water well drilling emphasis, 350 more wells. We have picked the places where we know there is subsurface water. We know that in that place there is a tremendous need, and we know there is a spiritual force there representing God and showing them it is the water of life that gives Water for LIFE. I want you to listen to Tammy Trent. What a giant spiritual light she is. And then, please, let's start this great awakening movement by putting God's arms around people and becoming the miracle they long for. Listen to God speak to your heart through Tammy.

On the mission field

Tammy: James and Betty, I've been partnering with you guys for years, and what a privilege it is for me to travel the world with you and to tell the story of so many people. I've gotten to spend some time with Violet today and it is another heartbreaking story. I want you to hear it.

>> My child, he became sick because we used this dirty water. So I took him to a hospital. But because it was very far away from here my child lost a lot of blood. All they could say at the hospital was that he had a lack of blood. In the end he died. His name was Ellis.

Open Captions

>> How old was he?

>> He was three years old.

Tammy: I know it is hard for you to continue to share your story and talk about your loss. But I'm going to take this story and I'm going to be able to share it with people that I believe can help you, and that can bring clean water to you and your family, the rest of your children, and this entire village.

Thank you so much for allowing God to do something with the broken pieces of your life and believing -- believing and trusting that help is on the way. I believe it is.

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In the studio

JAMES: Oh, boy! I would put my arms around that mother and try to hold her. Sometimes, just being held is the beginning of the healing process. Betty, because we do know what it is to lose a child. I pray you never do. Grandchild, family -- it's tough! A child is tough! We can -- we can stop that.

BETTY: Yeah, we can. I will never apologize for my heart being broken when I hear a mother speak of the loss of a child. I know what she is talking about. As I saw her at the beginning, she was just sitting there, kind of staring out into space. I know that feeling. But I do know the closeness of God; I'll never get over that feeling. God bless that mother and fill her heart with peace. Pray she never has to lose another child because of the water. She knew what killed her baby, but it didn't take the pain away in her heart.

We must be able to join with you and all those that participate and let's make the difference. Let's give life to these babies. They deserve a chance to grow up. Let's give them fresh clean water. Please join us.

JAMES: I know that. I know that you understand that we're being held. You've prayed for us over the years and when we were in that head-on battle. But I know that you would do anything to have saved our daughter and that you weren't able to. But we can't save that little precious one but we can help heal that mother's heart by saving the children of others.

Would you right now say I'm going to give a freshwater well, so they don't have to drink that contaminated, deadly, disease-ridden water? Would you go and get your bank card and use it like a check or write a check to LIFE? Would you go online or dial that number and say, we're going to give a water well. God has led us to. We're going to give a village a well. We're going to save a lot of mothers' children. \$4800, could you do that? If you can, I believe you will. Betty and I are going to do it. We're going to do it. We ask God to let us do it every time we call for help. If you could give \$1200 and three join you or \$2400 and another join you, we've got a well. Most of the gifts come from gifts of \$48 or for example, \$144. That will give ten people water for the rest of their life or 30 people. Think about it. Where could you spend \$48 and give ten people, become a miracle for children like the one that mother said her heart was broken over? You can be the miracle. Would you give to save the lives of 30? Drill a part of a well or a well?

We have some beautiful gifts to send you you're going to like. I mean you really are going to like them. But you're going to be giving the greatest gift. Please right now just stop, go get your bank card, if you want to write a check make it to *LIFE* but call us and tell us you're putting it in the mail. We need to know today because we've got to raise the rest of the money for these 350 water wells.

I find myself praying, God, I wish we could go beyond. I wish you'd give us a miracle and we could call some missionaries in other areas. I'm asking God for that kind of miracle. Would you be a part of it? Please, right now, make the gift God puts on your heart. You are giving the greatest gift, answered prayer, and you're giving life. Thank you!

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ANNOUNCER: Across the globe, hundreds of thousands of lives are lost each year to waterborne disease, and nearly half of those are children under the age of five. Through Mission: Water for LIFE, you can give mothers hope and children a future as we provide clean, life-giving water for thousands of children and their families before it is too late.

With your gift today, you can help drill and establish 350 water wells this year. Your gift of \$24 will help provide clean water for five children. A gift of \$48 will help provide for ten. \$72 will provide for 15. And \$144 will help provide life-giving water for 30 people for a lifetime!

With your gift of any amount, we'll send you the *God's Daily Promise* devotional set. These four seasonal devotionals each contain a daily scripture, inspirational message, and room to journal your prayers and insights from God's Word.

With your gift of \$100 or more, please request the "Faith, Hope, and Love" coaster set. All four beautiful sandstone coasters come in an elegant natural wood holder and artistically display the words of First Corinthians 13:13.

Finally, please consider a gift of \$1200 to help provide water for 250 people or a gift of \$4800 to help sponsor a complete well. And you may request our inspiring bronze sculpture, "Let the Children Come."

Please call, write, or make your gift online.

End of video**On the mission field**

SHEILA: So this is what a miracle looks like! And love made this miracle possible. For

those of you who gave for wells, here it is! And these are the kind of looks you should see on little ones' faces where they're having fun, and they're drinking fresh, clean water. You know what? Maybe I'll have some of this. Yep! I'll drink this water. Perfect!

But you know what? The need is great. We've been to so many villages who are literally begging for a well. So will you help us? Because this is what love is all about: Children, healthy, fun, splashing in the water! Having a wonderful time! If you helped make this possible, thank you so much! Let's do it again and again and again.

End of video

In the studio

JAMES: I want you to just see these coasters. This is for the gift of over \$100. The Promise Daily Devotionals will bless you. Jesus and the children bronze, oh boy! I've asked God to let us put his arms around children all over the world! And we couldn't do it, Betty, unless we do it together. And it's working. And we're believing God for a miracle all over the United States and Canada, and all over the world. We're the ones God can use to see a miracle of love and life poured out on all those he gave his Son to redeem.

Thank you so much for watching! Thank you for helping us share life every day all over the world. Thank you!