

Week 22

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James: I can't tell you, I don't even have the words to tell you what a joy it is to spend this time with you. I'm James Robison. You're going to hear Beth Moore and Betty in the series -- I'm so excited about it -- God's Kingdom in You. You really need to get this. There is the future kingdom. There is the kingdom where you don't have to get suited up. You don't need to put on the whole armor of God because there is no conflict, no battle. But then there is the kingdom reality of God's presence right now where he really is in charge and when you let his atmosphere fill everything and spiritual gravity control everything -- you talk about transforming affect, first on you. But then that light, it illuminates everything; it exposes not only the need for correction but also gives direction. Now, in order to understand God's Kingdom in You have to be born of the kingdom; you've got to be born from above. This isn't like a ticket to heaven or church membership. This is being born into a whole new way of life. I want you to get this series. I hope you'll get it on DVD so you can see all of it, and the CD's, and also the study guide and Jim Hylton's book. This is what really opened my eyes, *The Supernatural Skyline*. A friend I've known for 30 years, just a passing statement just opened up a whole new perspective from God's point of view. Now you're going to hear Beth, you're going to hear Betty talk about being born into the Kingdom of God and we're going to talk about God's Kingdom in You, and I want you to get the series. Let's join that series right here in the studio, God's Kingdom in You.

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James: Tell your story, Beth.

Beth: I was raised in church and I had a traumatic thing happen in my very early childhood. I've told many times as part of my testimony on *LIFE Today* about having a background of childhood abuse, that even by the time my memory kicks in, I had already been to that devastating place. It plays into every single part of your belief system. But something about this message of Jesus, I remember hearing as a child in those little baby bear chairs in a Sunday school circle, that he was our very best friend. I think back and wonder how only God could have put it in me to believe it. At that point, authority would have been so frightening to me and something that would have

been preached at many places might have scared me to death and retreated me but there was something so sweet about the gospel message of Jesus Christ that I believed it. It was a very long time in my upbringing in the church that I went to at that time and so much has changed since then but we were scared to death of the Holy Spirit. So of course, we were taught rules, that's something like Betty talked about, we were told how to be good but we had no power to do it. We had no power to live in victory. And because of my past, honestly, I crawled from one ditch to the next ditch to the next ditch until the life of Christ --

James: But you really didn't like ditches, though, did you?

Beth: No! And I've said that so many times, you can't stay there. The Holy Spirit does his job and he promises us in scripture that he will convict us. One of the things it says as we've been talking about the kingdom is that when John the Baptist preached "Repent for the Kingdom of God is near," a lot of people don't understand that that word repentance means a change of mind that is so deep and so impacting that it does change the life. That there is something in us that from the inside out begins to so dramatically transform. And when I began to understand the power of the spirit through a clay vessel like us, it was like someone had turned on a light for me; that was the power of the gospel for me from the inside out, truly it was.

James: You know I think that it's really critically important to understand that in your spiritual journey when you've been born from above -- and we're going to talk about this as part of kingdom life, about these worlds that they're in conflict, kingdom conflict and how we deal with that. The enemy will try to get you stuck in your past failures or stuck in your present weaknesses. I'm telling you, Beth, even now as I'm talking about the kingdom and about really us reaching a point where we stop merely going to church, as important as that is, and we start being the church as a family and that we really come together, that we really let God show us with all of our distinctives and our differences and our disagreements, we don't have to live with a spirit of divorce prevailing. No wonder divorce prevails in relationships in marriage when it actually prevails in the leadership of the church. We can have a disagreement and we divorce, we split and marriages split because we set an example of split. We set such a poor example in communication and love where there are differences, rather than honing the edge we just clash and we dull everybody, we brutalize everybody. But here's the thing you need to understand, that in our spiritual walk and growth, the entire time you're walking it out, the enemy is going to be accusing you for how you failed in your own weaknesses even as I approach preaching the message God's put on my heart now saying that the whole church in the whole earth, the family of God can get to know the father in such a way, Beth, that we look like family, that we behave

like children of the most high God, not a bunch of orphans just sitting out here in an orphanage terrified but we really become confident priests and kings and overcomers in this life. But here's what the enemy does. In our journey, in our progress, and I'm telling you the instant deliverance has been glorious, you and I have discussed it before, the progressive growth is even more important because it really deepens the roots. That gravity gets us deeply rooted and grounded in love, and that weight keeps us going and we're learning. But here's what the enemy said to me and I wonder if you've ever heard it. You're not qualified! Who are you to lead? Who are you to do anything because you failed. You know you failed -- you just acknowledged it. I fail. Hey, I failed recently. You know something else? I've still got weaknesses but let me tell you this, I want God to make me stronger. And Beth, I'm telling you, this is the beautiful thing about kingdom, when you've been born again as Beth just talked about, as I just referenced, you keep having an impartation from God through his grace that changes you. Some of you would say, "I can't forgive people who have hurt me." I can't not forgive them. I have no problem forgiving. Who did that? How is it that I can love my enemies? When people say unkind things about me or misrepresent me I love them. I don't have to try to love them. Now how under heaven do you explain that other than the kingdom of heaven? I don't have to try to love people who hurt me, anymore than Jesus had to try to forgive those who crucified him whom he said don't know what they're doing. They didn't! They were under the spell and control of the kingdom of deception, darkness, and defeat just like so much of the world is today. Now you tell me how you can forgive people who are so unkind and so cruel? How can I forgive people who intentionally try to hurt me, accuse me, or misrepresent me? Beth, that is the grace that we received when we were born again allowed to work in us if we realize that weight, that presence, that power is continually shaping us. But see I want to reach back here, I want to reach out there and I want to reach out here and I want to try to get God's arms of love around every one of you. So once you really get in that embrace you'll be a part of putting his arms around everybody. Because there is a world of hurt. And you're not overlooked. We want to be sure you've been born from above. See, I don't really think -- it would be very unlikely anybody sitting in this room that hasn't but a lot of people out here who haven't. But if you haven't here, don't sit here and not begin to live in kingdom presence here and now and forever because it is forever and it is for you! It's for you. Betty, tell them what happened to you. When you were -- I call you the original church lady. You were it, boy!

Betty: Like you, Beth, I was brought up in the church. I worked really hard at doing everything right. I wanted to please everyone. I wanted to never disappoint by no means anyone. I never wanted to make mistakes, but I did of course. And when I made mistakes I would let the enemy just beat me up and tear me down. But even

though I stayed in church and I met James, fell in love with James. God called him into the ministry and right before we were to be married, right before my 19th birthday we had a service at our church and for the first time I walked down out of the choir and fell on my face. Because you see, it wasn't anything about what I could do for God, how I earned his approval, it was what he had already done for me. He gave his son for me. He died for me! When I, for the first time said, "Lord, I give you my life," He came in. And it was so easy compared to me trying to do it by works. I accepted him and that's when my journey began with my heart and God's together.

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James: I can't even describe the beauty of watching a sweet little church girl be born from above. And to think we've been in love over 50 years, been married over 48 years. To watch the Kingdom – God said to me as much glory is on her all the time, my anointing, my touch, my divine enabling, as it ever is on you in the pulpit with a big crowd. It's the Kingdom. Now, I want to take you – and the same way with Beth Moore, what a miracle! With my own life, from no father to meeting the father; that's Kingdom. Born again, born from above. Don't miss this! And then don't miss an understanding of God's Kingdom in You. I want you to get this series. I don't know that you'll ever watch or listen to anything that will have a greater impact on you and then on others. I want you to listen to the story of a little boy impoverished, this actually happened where I was preaching, and understand how God wants to use you, wherever you are, to reveal his Kingdom presence and power. I think you're going to like this! This is part of God's Kingdom in you. This is kind of the spiritual electricity and energy that's just going to fill you as you listen to the liberating truth concerning God's Kingdom in You!

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James: Beth, years ago I had a little boy come and had given his life to Jesus and he was a big "Amen"-er in my crowd. He was a real distraction because this little kid had the biggest mouth and he was about nine years old. And he was sitting out on the first row every night, either my right or left. I'd be saying something and "amen!" It was almost blood curdling. So I talked with the pastor. I said, "This little kid, he's disrupting the whole service." He said, "Well, that little boy's name is Mike. And that

little boy trusted Jesus and his father is an alcoholic and he is the only person in his whole neighborhood that's a Christian." He said, "He came to me about a week ago with bruises on him. And he said, 'Brother Joe,' he said, 'when I went home last night my daddy came in drunk and he beat me up because I went to church.' And the boy spoke with a little bit of an impediment. So he said, 'So Brother Joe, I can't come back to church anymore so I'm not going to go to church anymore. I'm going to run away from home. So I'm running away and I won't see you anymore because I'm running away from home.'" And the pastor said, "James, I leaned over to that little boy and I said, Mike, if you run away from home, there's not going to be anybody to witness to your daddy and to your family. And Mike, on the whole block there is nobody there that knows Jesus. So Mike, if you run away, who is going to tell your momma and your daddy about Jesus? And who is going to tell the neighbors about Jesus?" And he said, "Mike, could I send you as a missionary for Jesus to your family and to your neighborhood?" "And he looked at me and he said, 'Brother Joe, I'll go to my family, and I go to my neighborhood as missionary for Jesus. I'll go! Let's pray. Let's pray.' And he bowed his head and I prayed with him." He said, "James, that's that little boy. I really don't think I can ask him not to say amen!

[Laughter]

I really don't think I can." Here's the beautiful thing. Saturday night of that week little Mike brought his alcoholic daddy to Jesus. The next morning on Sunday, little Mike brought his whole family to Jesus. That's kingdom -- that's kingdom. I'll tell you one more little dog story and it can't top that one. But I was riding the other day with Princess, this beautiful dachshund, and we're riding in the truck and you know how she is a hound so she is a hunter and she is just looking everywhere. And she got her little paws on the steering wheel and we're just going and she is just looking. And she just gets to shivering, she sees something. I'm watching her and I'm looking. And I just said to her -- and I talk to this dog. Now here's the thing you've got to understand. Because you figure they're kind of clueless but it is kind of like God talking to us, he just goes ahead and does it anyway. He just keeps talking to us. But you know what is cool? We can tune our ears to hear channel Jesus. We can tune our ears to hear channel Jesus real clear. So I'm just talking to her and I said, "Princess, I don't know how much fun you're having riding in my arms right up here by my heart, just looking everywhere I'm going and being excited but I said, I know this, I sure am excited to have you in my lap going wherever I go." And so help me, I felt like God spoke to me and said, "Welcome to the kingdom; that's the kingdom. Riding in my arms, close to my heart just looking at everything I put before you. Taking it in." But in this world, we can be witnesses for Jesus. How do we tie all of this up for everybody here and

those who are listening at this point to understand the importance of recognizing kingdom reality and assuming the responsibility that we have as kingdom children?

Beth: I think exactly as you're saying to realize that the kingdom is in us and that this responsibility has been given to us with power, that the kingdom comes with power, but that the enemy will do whatever he can to see if he can take the legs out from under us. To see him raise us up to something that he alone knows we can be, to do something he alone knows we can do, to know something he alone can tell us, that is the purpose of all existence on this planet -- that's what we were born for, born to a kingdom.

James: When you hear me talking about the kingdom or family, Betty, or our pets and our friends and the people we love all over the world and beautiful viewers, what goes on in your heart?

Betty: Kingdom to me is realizing that yes God is up there as a lot of people refer to him but he is also right here. He is beside us. He says he will never leave us alone. We have to invite him to be part of our lives. We have to invite him to show us each day and to communicate with us. He won't force himself on us, Beth, but we invite him. Say, "Jesus, I need you. I want you! I want my life to count for you. I want to have that kingdom living that you so desire, that you gave your son, dear Lord Jesus for and to be a part of making a difference, to be effective no matter where you go, no matter who you come in contact with. It's not playing a part, "church," it's being a part of what he wants to do through us.

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In the studio:

James: Well, I can't even imagine for one second that you weren't blessed by what you heard. If you could just see God working in a little boy, I think of myself as that little boy who never had a father and met the father. I think of our children, our three children, our 11 grandchildren looked beyond any father, however capable and loving he is, and wise he is, and they really see through that spiritual guidance of kingdom influence the father, and watching what it does. Listen -- we're not like a privileged family. We understood something about the kingdom before we even knew how to explain it. We literally, Betty and I did, Beth did, we lost our lives in his purpose and found the life everybody's looking for. Now we want to explain to you an understanding of this spiritual gravity of kingdom living now -- not going to heaven kingdom but the power of the heavenly being here in us now and what it does. Let me just tell you, you say how do we get the CD's/DVD's? Here's what I want to ask you to

do. I've told you this many times and I'm going to say it as directly as I can, you live life fully when you begin to release it and express it freely. Your prayers get answered when you seek to be an answer to somebody else's prayer. In other words, get involved in kingdom life -- give life. We're asking you right now. I'm asking every single one of you, I want you to get into kingdom life and I want you to express it now. I want you to begin to express love and you're going to begin to experience it, release it. I want you to help us rescue some children. I want you to help us to feed some hungry kids. Feed three or five or ten -- we're going to send you this incredible inspirational teaching to say thank you and help you but we're asking you to help us save some lives, manifest the love of God. Listen to Tammy Trent seeking to help put the arms of God's love around a hurting, suffering child. Watch.

On the mission field:

Tammy: We need to save these children.

There is a desperate need here.

These children are dying because they have no food. There are children all around here that do not get food every day.

These children are severely malnourished. There is something we have to do or we will lose more children.

There is a solution to their problems and for me it seems really, really simple... food in a little bowl. Mission feeding: this is where life begins. God bless you!

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In the studio:

James: Boy, more than 20 years ago, Betty and I started going where they were dying by the tens of thousands. We started pouring out that -- we like to call it porridge, it is a soup mixture but it is scientifically designed for the nutritional needs in particular areas by really devoted missionaries -- but we poured it. In many places we went in the initial stages of our mission outreach, soup barrels would be empty, we would run

out. And it was, it was -- there wasn't a calm, there was panic and little children trying to get down in the barrel and scrape it. You said a very important prayer and you repeated it, what you prayed. "I pray the lines to give the soup, the food, will be longer than the lines to get it." Betty, for so many years God's answered that prayer until millions of lives have been saved -- millions! But right now those children are very needy and we're also trying to establish feeding where the kids are strong enough to go to school where we can feed them on a regular basis to be sure they keep going. We're doing everything we can to stabilize the situation. Those are precious little children! I'm asking you to be an answer to Betty's prayer that the line to feed them and help them will be longer than the line of need. If you'll dial that number -- and we do this twice a year. We ask you to help feed children for several months and a gift of \$30, \$50, or \$100 will feed three, five, or ten children. This is not total child care, this is stabilizing their diet and in many instances saving their lives and supplying the resources for the malnutrition clinics where they won't make it if they don't get there when they get to the final stages. We're asking you to supply all of the food and the nutrition. If you'll just dial that number, take your bankcard, this is probably the best way you'll ever use it, to give life, and you use it like a check. If you write a check, make it to *LIFE*. But now listen to me, if you want to go online, you can go to LifeToday.org, indicate I want to donate, I want to make a gift and you can make a gift right now. But I'm asking you to do it today because the missionaries literally need to know, we use all that you have enabled us to have in the last several months. Now we're asking you to take care of this next period. Betty and I are continually asking people to help. We'll do it through many other areas where we talk to people but nothing like this. This is a critical need. This is where you say, "I'll take ten." Or maybe you can take 100! Maybe you can make a gift of \$1,000 or more. But you remember, for three children \$30 is the difference, \$50 for five, \$100 for ten. We want to send you God's Kingdom in You, which you're expressing his kingdom right here in this gift, you're sharing life. Would you dial the number? By the way, if you get a busy, be determined! Look, I've got to help them and you get through and you make the gift God puts on your heart. Just do the best you can. We're going to bless you but you're going to be blessed when you give life. Thank you for making that call.

Begin video clip:

Announcer: At this very moment a child is drawing her last breath struggling to stay alive due to a lack of food. Sadly, this impoverished child is not alone and without our help, many like her throughout Africa face death as well. Today you can make a difference. You can save a life! *LIFE's* mission feeding teams are in place right now ready to answer the hunger cries of half a million children throughout remote areas of Angola, Mozambique, and Sudan. With previous food reserves gone and Southern

Africa facing its worst conditions and food shortage in more than two decades, we desperately need to replenish our supplies for the feeding programs immediately! Your lifesaving gift of \$30, \$50, or \$100 will help feed and care for three, five, or ten children for three full months. With your gift we'll send you the God's Kingdom in You audio series and companion scripture guide. James and Betty Robison, along with Beth Moore, inspire you to live every day in the power and presence of God. With your gift of \$125 or more to help feed ten children you may request both the video DVD and audio series with scripture guide. As a bonus we will also send you Jim Hylton's new book, the supernatural skyline. Finally, please prayerfully consider a gift of \$1,000 or more to help save the lives of 100 children and be sure to request the beautiful new "Heart of the Father" bronze sculpture. Please call, write, or make your secure gift online.

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In the studio:

James: I want to send you God's Kingdom in You but I want to point you to "The Father's Heart." It's a beautiful collectible, a beautiful bronze an artist made available to say thank you for expressing "The Father's Heart." Could you help us provide food for 100 children or more? We're anxious to send you the series. I think you'll be blessed by the bronze -- great inspirational conversation piece. Thank you so much for helping us share life. Let's live revealing the glory of the father and his kingdom power and purpose.

>> You may not have had an addiction to porn or been abused but you may have other pain in your life.

Announcer: Permission to speak freely. Next week!