Bruce Van Natta

On It’s Supernatural:
A five ton semi truck collapsed on Bruce’s stomach,
and the axel crushed him like a pancake.
He literally thought he was cut in two.
Bruce saw himself dying,
and the two angels who saved his life.

Do angels exist?
Are healing miracles real?
Is there life after death?
Can people get supernatural help from another
dimension?
Has the future been written in advance?
Sid Roth has spent 25 years researching
the strange world of the supernatural.
Join Sid on this edition of It’s Supernatural.

Sid: Hello, Sid Roth here with Bruce Van Natta.
Bruce, when he was 5 years of age, Jesus came to him.
Jesus hugged him. And a hug from Jesus
caused gifts from the Spirit of the Living God
to enter Bruce, which forever changed his life.
Now Bruce, you were going through a hard time.
As a 5 year old, you were being molested.
Tell me what happened.
Bruce: My parents worked out of the house,
so we had a babysitter that I’d have to go stay at their
house.
While I was at this family’s house,
over the period of about a year they were molesting
their two children, and they also were molesting myself.
That was going on and off for that year.
Then my grandparents took me to church,
the one time I can remember being at a church as a child.
I went to Sunday school class,
and the Sunday school teacher in this little country church
told us the story about Jesus hugging little children.
His main point was that Jesus loved us as children,
and if we’d pray to Him, He’d answer our prayers.
My parents ended up finding out what happened.
I was listening to their conversation that night
as my mom told my dad what happened to me for the year.
They were upset that I hadn’t told, worried about
my future, worried about what had happened to me.
Sid: Sure.
Bruce: I was laying on the bed in the dark,
and just a little voice, the Holy Spirit now I know,
reminded me what the Sunday school teacher said
six months earlier, and said “Pray to Jesus.”
So I thought I’d give it a chance,
and what I prayed for was what I think any child
at that age would pray for. I just wanted to be comforted.
So I prayed for a hug. That’s all I prayed for.
I said “Jesus, please come hug me.”
Right at that second, the room lit up,
and I felt these warm arms wrapped physically around me.
It was physical and emotional both.
I tell people it’s like being dipped in liquid love.
I was covered from head to toe, inside and outside,
by this incredible love. It blocked out everything else.
The next thing I knew, I woke up the next morning.
Sid: But you had something you didn’t realize:
gifts of the Holy Spirit started operating
even at that young age. Tell me about that dream you had.
Bruce: Shortly after that, I had a dream
where I was walking in heaven, hand in hand with Jesus.
The walls were these beautiful jewels,
and there was this shiny, shiny walkway,
a road that we were walking on.
Jesus was just smiling. We didn’t talk,
He was just smiling and holding my hand. I just felt love.
I told my mom about it.
My mom knew from the book of Revelation
about what heaven looks like.
I had no knowledge of that, but I described it.
Sid: Of course. You’re in church one time, at age 5.
Bruce: I described it, and it kind of scared her.
Sid: What’d you see? What do you remember that you
saw?
Bruce: All I really remember is these beautiful stone walls.
When we think of diamonds, we think of little.
These were great big, beautiful stones that were huge.
And even to this day, I still have a fascination with stones.
I’ve got a stone garden at our house.
I think it stems from that.
Sid: Since that point, you hear things by the Spirit of God.
You know things.
Bruce: Starting at that point, I started to have
a lot of dreams and visions,
and what the Bible calls words of knowledge.
Sid: We’re going to go up a number of years
to the accident that you had.
You had almost a premonition before.
What kind of truck was this?
Bruce: This was a Peterbuilt logging truck.
Sid: About how much does it weigh?
Bruce: The part that fell on me weighs
about 10,000 to 12,000 pounds.
Sid: How would you like 10,000 pounds of truck
to fall on you?
I don’t think your body could withstand that.
God spoke to you before this event. What did He say?
Bruce: It happened in November, and over that summer there were a handful of times where the Lord came to me and asked if I would die for the advancement of the kingdom. I called a close friend of mine and told him what was happening. I said “It’s bothering me. It’s scaring me.” He said “Well, what did you answer?” I said “I haven’t answered.” He said “Bruce, I’m surprised. I know you better than that. I know what your answer would be. You’d say yes.” I kind of felt accountable when he said that, and the next time it came, I was taking a shower. The Holy Spirit and I were having a conversation, then He said “Ok, I’ve given you enough time to think about it, now you have to answer.” I started making excuses, saying “I’ve got four small children, and my wife...” You know, thinking my way through these things. So I started asking questions. I said “Lord, why?” and there was no reply at all. I heard absolutely nothing. The conversation, there was nothing coming back. So finally I broke down, I put my hands and knees in the shower, and I started weeping. I said “Yes Lord, I will die for the advancement of Your kingdom.” As soon as I did, I asked the question again. “Why?” He said “Well, for the advancement of My kingdom.” So that was reassuring. Then I said “Ok Lord.” I know we’re not supposed to make deals with God, but I said “God, promise me one thing, that You’ll give Laurie a husband who will love her more than I do, and my children a father who will love them more than I do right now.” He said “Done.” As soon as He said “done”, I really started crying, because I knew it was done. Sid: I understand.

Now take me to that day the truck fell on you. Bruce: I’m a mechanic by trade. I’ve got a repair truck that I do on-site repair at different locations, and this was just a place where I was doing a three day job. I finished the job. Worked probably a 12 hour day that day. Had just finished up. I’d done an engine repair, so I wanted to run the engine to make sure there were no leaks on what I’d done. I was working with another mechanic, and he was doing some other repairs on the truck also. He’d taken the front right wheel off and placed
a 20 ton bottle jack and jacked up the front axle.
As I was wiping my tools off and putting them in the truck,
he asked me “Before you go, can you take a look?
I’ve got a leak somewhere in this truck,
and I’ve been looking for it for six months.
If you could just diagnose it, I’ll fix it myself.”
I thought to myself “Well, that’ll just take a couple of minutes.”
His creeper was laying there, his light was there.
I had never been underneath the truck once on this job.
I crawled up underneath the truck feet first towards the back of the truck.
The front axel of the truck is about that wide,
and it’s kind of rounded, and it’s about that deep.
That 10,000 or 12,000 pounds is on the weight of the two front wheels, but one wheel’s off.
I crawled underneath it.
The axle’s about this much over my midsection,
so it was coming across me like this.
The truck engine was still running, the truck rocked,
and it ended up falling off the jack.
This rounded axle fell across me,
and it crushed me like a blunt guillotine.
It didn’t cut me, it crushed me down to the thickness of my spine.
There were two vertebrae broke in my spine,
my lumbar, a couple of ribs.
But all my internal stuff, my intestines mainly,
and spleen, pancreas, liver - they all took a hit.
Sid: You were crushed almost like a pancake.
Bruce: From what I looked...
Sid: In fact, you thought that you were cut in half.
Don’t go away, we’ll be right back after this word.

We’ll be right back to It’s Supernatural.

Bruce Van Natta is an ordinary man who hears God’s voice.
At 5 years old, he had a supernatural encounter with Jesus.
As a child, he had a dream of walking
and talking with Jesus in heaven.
As an adult, two angels appeared out of nowhere,
miraculously saving his life when a logging truck fell and crushed his body.
Bruce hears God speak to him every day.
Bruce wants you to know that you too
can begin hearing God’s voice
and receive God’s direction for your life.
Call now and get your copy of this brand new book
by Bruce Van Natta, “Saved By Angels.”
Sid: Hello, Sid Roth here with Bruce Van Natta. Bruce had a 10,000 pound truck fall on him. Literally, he thought his body had been guillotined in half. What happened is, he was crushed. You were crushed almost like a pancake. What happened next? Bruce: After I was crushed, I looked at myself and from my point of view, it did look like I was cut in half because I couldn’t see half my body through the axle and I could see here where the axle’s laying on the cement. I just called out “God, help me” twice. The mechanic I was working with was quick, and he called 911. They got the truck jacked up. I remember wanting to get out from underneath the truck really bad, because I didn’t like the way it was jacked up again. I was afraid it was going to fall on me again. I reached back and grabbed the front bumper, big chrome front bumper was right behind my head, I grabbed it, pulled myself out to the point where my head was sticking out from underneath the front bumper of this large Peterbuilt, and that’s when I went unconscious. Next thing I know, I’m up in the ceiling of this garage, looking down. Out of body experience. Sid: I assume there was no feeling? You had no feeling when you’re looking down at yourself. Bruce: No, it was just like watching a movie. Sid: Did you know it was you? Bruce: You know, I can’t honestly say I knew it was me. Not at first. It was just like watching a movie. I saw there was now more people. The volunteer fire department had gotten there, and I was listening to the conversations people were having. This out of body experience was incredible, but the most incredible thing was, I’m looking down at myself, I can see my head sticking out from underneath the front bumper, my eyes were closed, my head was turned to the right side. There’s a picture burned into my memory of that, and on each side of me is an angel. The man I’d been working with was above me. He’s about 6’1” or 6’2”, and I was watching him running his fingers through my hair, and he was crying and patting me on the head. The heads of these angels stuck up
at least this much higher than his. They were also on their knees, but they had their arms in underneath the truck towards my body. These angels had their hands on me.

Sid: So they were really keeping you alive.

Bruce: Oh, definitely. Definitely keeping me alive.

Sid: What happened next?

Bruce: That scene is burned in my mind. Then they pulled me out from underneath the truck. The angels stayed.

I watched from the back corner a red-haired EMT worker - I’ve met her now, Shannon - she came in. She got down between those angels, she moved this man out of the way, and she started slapping me in the face and saying “Open your eyes, open your eyes.” I was watching from above, listening to her, watching, and the next thing I knew I was back in my body, looking at her eye to eye.

Sid: When the medical team came, what did they decide to do?

Bruce: They called MedFlight right away, because it was such a bad injury. I was MedFlight-ed to the largest trauma center in our state, Wisconsin.

Sid: You told me that you should’ve bled to death. What do you mean?

Bruce: The doctors told me, because of my injuries, off your heart, your mesenteric artery and mesenteric vein, superior mesenteric artery and superior mesenteric vein, come down and feed the lower half of your body. It was completely severed. Not pinched, not torn, but completely severed. Both of those, in multiple places, plus other veins. They said with my injuries, I should’ve bled to death in 8 minutes, 10 minutes tops. In fact, we were told by several doctors now that they can find no other cases anywhere, ever, of anybody ever living from those injuries, because they always come in dead on arrival. It’s like having an artery the size of a garden hose cut.

Sid: You told me they were amazed you even lived.

Bruce: Completely, because it was an hour and 40 minutes from the point of the accident until they got me to the hospital. I was in trauma for an hour before I lost all blood pressure and they rushed me into the O.R. I should’ve lost all blood pressure right away, at that 8 minutes. In fact, they put in my medical records that they put in 18 units blood, which is about 8 liters. The body holds about 5 to 6 liters, so they put in more.
That just tells you, as they put it in it was just coming out, leaking in my stomach cavity. So it’s a large miracle that I ever even made it to the hospital.

Sid: They had to actually...
What happened with your small intestine?
Bruce: That’s miracle number two. My small intestine was damaged so badly, they ended up with a 25 centimeter, or 10 inch, chunk of the ileum, a part of the small intestine, that they were able to save. They found another piece. They cut out three sections and found another piece of small intestine that was 75 centimeters. So between those two pieces, I had roughly 40 inches of small intestine left, or about 3 feet. You or any adult has about 21 or 22 feet, and I only had 3 feet left. So I started losing weight as I was in hospital. I went through five different operations. The fourth operation, another chunk of small intestine that had been damaged, died. A piece of that 75 centimeters died, so now I’m underneath 100 centimeters. I just kept losing weight...

Sid: If you’re under 100 centimeters, is that life-threatening?
Bruce: Yes, eventually. We Googled this, and what we found out from the doctors is, eventually, if you have small bowel syndrome, if it gets down to a certain point, you starve to death. I was fed intravenously also, but they can’t mimic with the intravenously long-term what God does with your stomach.

Sid: So you were in the process of dying.
Bruce: Slowly, gradually. Losing weight, losing weight. This one particular morning, I was in my fourth operation. I’d just come out of the operation. A man in New York named Bruce Carlson, the Lord woke him up this one morning and told him to fly out from New York to me in Wisconsin and pray over me. I’d met him one time. He’s a friend of a friend. I’d met him one time on vacation. But he was obedient to the Lord, came out. He came with a gentleman, a friend from my church drove him down there. One stood on each side of the bed and he prayed over me. He put his palm on my forehead and started praying. He said “Lord, I ask that all the prayers for all the people that have been praying for Bruce be answered right now, today.” I was on prayer chains all over.
Sid: Bruce, hold that thought. We’ll be back in just a moment, because an instant miracle took place. Be right back.

We’ll be right back to It’s Supernatural.

Sid Roth has found the key to worldwide revival. This is God’s time to reach the Jewish people with His love. Messiah Jesus has torn down the wall dividing Jew and Gentile. The two together form one new man to reach the world. God’s method to reach the Jewish people is through signs and wonders. This is why our website, SidRoth.org, is jam-packed with tools to equip you to move in signs and wonders, understand Israel, and the Jewish roots of the church. Log on to SidRoth.org today.

We now return to It’s Supernatural.

Sid:Hello, Sid Roth here with Bruce Van Natta. Bruce, you almost were guillotined in half when a truck smashed over you. You really shouldn’t have lived. You should’ve bled to death, medically speaking. They had to cut your small intestine. Eventually it got down to under 100 centimeters, which, medically speaking, means he would starve to death. He was a dead man. But a man heard God’s voice, and flew to Bruce, and prayed for him. Then what happened? Bruce: As he was praying and saying “Lord, I pray that you answer all those prayers today”, I started feeling what I can describe as electricity come out of his palm, into my forehead. Then, as Jesus spoke to the mountain, he said “Small intestine, in the name of Jesus, I command you to grow supernaturally in length.” As soon as he said that, it felt like a snake came uncoiled inside my stomach. I turned to the man he was with and said “Man, it felt like a snake came uncoiled inside my stomach.” Sid: How did they find out? Bruce: In preparation for operation number 5 a few month later, I had to go into the radiology department and have an upper G.I. They made me drink this nasty stuff,
and they measured it from the bottom of my esophagus, checking my small intestine.
She gets done with it and I hear her going “Hmm.”
They said the procedure was going to take a certain amount of time. After that time, she leaves then comes back with a supervisor.
They redo the test and I hear them whispering and saying “mistake.” That’s the last thing you want to hear a doctor say is “mistake.”
So finally I asked, and he said “No, it’s good.
In your records, it shows you have less than 100 centimeters of small intestine, but we’ve just done the test twice and you have way over 200 centimeters.
You have over 6 feet.”
Sid: How’d they explain that? Was it a bad doctor?
Bruce: Well, considering the doctor is the head of the biggest trauma center in our state, and he’s chief resident surgeon, I don’t think it’s a bad doctor.
Sid: You have those records inside there. What could a skeptic say?
Is it possible for the small intestine to grow that much?
Bruce: It does not grow.
Once you’re an adult, your small intestine does not grow. And we’ve got doctor proof: “before” and “after” lengths.
Sid: You know what excites me so much?
Remember gifts of the Spirit that God has given Bruce?
They are transferable.
Everyone who knows the Messiah has these gifts. Bruce put together his entire documented story, plus a workbook on the most important thing next to being born from above, and that is hearing God’s voice so that you can be obedient, so you can fulfill your destiny in life.
You told me that you had a vision of your new book, called “Saved By Angels.”
What was happening in that vision?
Bruce: It was actually right before the book came out. My contact at the publisher, we were talking one day on the phone, and she was telling me about your show. She said “Sid Roth...”
I was asking ways to market the book to get the message out, because I think it’s a really important message that people get to have a relationship with Jesus.
Not religion, but relationship, and how different that is. So we’re talking about that, and I’m excited and want to get this message to as many people as I can. She said “I think a great place would be Sid Roth’s ministry.”
I hadn’t heard your name, so I wrote it down.
She continues, then it turns into a word.
She says “God is saying that He’s going to take care of it”,
because I said “How do I get a hold of him?
What do I do to get on his show?”
She ends by saying “I think God is just saying
that He’s going to take care of this.”
Fast forward a couple of months.
This man calls me to have some air conditioning work
done on his vehicle.
I hadn’t talked to him since before my accident.
I said “I don’t do that work anymore,
because I’ve gone into full time ministry now.”
He said “Oh, you know what? I just remembered,
a couple of weeks ago at my home church”
(he’s from another town)
“some old family friends of my wife and I,
Chuck and Mary Volm, came to visit.
I was telling them your story about the angels
and how you’re the only person who’s ever lived
from this injury, and Chuck said
‘Oh, that’s exactly what our ministry specializes in.
It’s Sid Roth’s ministry.’”
He had never heard of you either,
because we’re kind of isolated in the midwest,
so he said to me “I’ll get you his number.”
So he hangs up, calls back, gives me Chuck’s number
who got me through to Joyce,
and that’s how I got on the show.
God gave me a word from this contact
to get on this show. After I call her back,
we had a great talk and I told her what happened.
I get off the phone and praise the Lord.
Now the book is being printed at the printer.
As I’m praying and praising the Lord,
I see a vision of the books coming off the printing press,
and every book is being touched by the Holy Spirit
and physically anointed.
Sid: I have to tell you, when I read this book,
I felt the presence of God.
That’s what got me so excited about meeting you
and interviewing you.
Tell me this vision again. What was Jesus doing?
Bruce: It was the Holy Spirit in my vision.
As each book was coming off the printing press,
it was being touched and there was a physical anointing
being put on the book so that when people got it
in their hands, they wouldn’t want to put it down.
Many people have said once they pick up the book,
they don’t want to quit reading it.
It just gets them and they get into it.
People have said they go to work at night
and end up staying up so they can finish the book.
Sid: You know why?
Because someone can learn how God speaks.
God speaks to everyone, but we miss it so much.
Tell me about words of knowledge.
Bruce: A great example I use in the book is this.
We’ve got this little red guy on one shoulder,
and we’ve also got the old cartoon angel
on the other shoulder. In the middle is us.
The Bible tells us that’s spiritual life.
We’ve got angels and demons around us.
A word of knowledge is listening to the right voice.
It’s listening to the Holy Spirit speak inside you.
An example. The day I flew here, yesterday,
in the morning I got a call from a man in a hospital.
He’d been in the hospital for a month,
and he wanted some prayer.
As I’m on the phone with him, the Lord said
“Tell him you’ll call back in 15 minutes.”
So I got his phone number and hung up.
I said “Ok Lord, now what?”
I started praying and going before Him.
He led me to some verses.
Now I did not have these verse memorized,
didn’t even know they were there.
The Lord led me to Psalm 41 or 42. At the beginning it says
“He who has regard for the weak will be taken care of”,
or along those lines. I’m paraphrasing,
because I don’t know the exact words.
Then it goes on to say
“He will be sustained on his sickbed
and recovered from his illness.”
So the Lord tells me “Call him back
and ask him if he has regard for the weak.
He does, but just ask him the question to build his faith.”
So I call the man back and said
“The Lord is asking “Do you have regard for the weak?”
He said “In my ministry, if someone needs a couch,
I’ll give them my couch out of my house.
I’ve given my refrigerator away.
I’ve given cars away. I’ve given money away,
till I have nothing. I’ve given my own food away.”
I said “So you think you have regard for the weak?”
and he said “Oh yes”, and he starts to weep.
I said “The Lord said you do.
Open your Bible to such and such.”
He opens up the Bible and we get to the point.
Now he’s been in the hospital for a month,
and the Lord says He’s going to sustain you,
and He’s going to restore you.
Not only is He going to sustain you
through this long-term illness,
but He’s going to restore you as well.
Sid: You had a series of dreams
in which your wife was being unfaithful to you.
How many dreams did you have like that?
Bruce: It was over 10 years, so I don’t know exactly,
but probably over 300.
Sid: Ok. He has these dreams,
and he knows his wife is faithful,
but they’re so real he doesn’t know what to do with it.
Because of time, God gave you an interpretation
of the dream. Very quickly, what was it?
Bruce: The last dream I had, I repeat to my wife
in this dream, as I wake up, she’s laying there sleeping
next to me on the bed, and I repeat to her,
why don’t you understand how much I love you,
which was the last thing I said in my dream,
and the Lord speaks to me and says
why don’t you understand how much I love you?
I said I don’t understand. What do you mean Lord?
We went back and forth a couple of times,
and again He says it, so it ends up
he said “Bruce, every time you do drugs, drink,
anything that you do, go after money, motorcycle racing,
anything I was involved in to get peace, joy,
security, fulfill the hole that’s in my heart,
he said anytime you do any of that stuff you’re cheating on
me.
Not only are you cheating on me,
you’re doing it in full sight of me,
because ever since I was little since I was hugged,
God has been as real to me as my hands,
so I knew God, every time I did this stuff,
God didn’t want me to do it,
and I was for a long time I was walking one foot
in the world and one foot in God’s world.
Sid: And God still loved you.
But let me tell you, God is too good.
Stop the drugs. Stop the pornography. Stop the adultery.
Stop anything that is filling that void,
and fill it with God. Fill it with Jesus.
He’s real. He loves you. He’s calling you.
He wants to hug you.

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