On It's Supernatural:
As a young boy, Ben Godwin had a tragic accident that should've left him in a wheelchair the rest of his life. But through a series of miraculous events, see how Ben realized that nothing is impossible in the realm of the supernatural.

Do angels exist?
Are healing miracles real?
Is there life after death?
Can people get supernatural help from another dimension?
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. Welcome to my world, where it's naturally supernatural. My guest, Ben Godwin. Just a young kid, riding a bicycle, and he comes to a blind spot and gets hit by a car. The great miracle that occurred was not that he got hit by a car, but three inches of his leg bone was laying on the ground. Take it from there.

Ben: I was about a mile from home. My parents were not aware that I had left the house. I was getting into mischief. I was going to buy a pack of cigarettes for me and my brother to split, which was taboo in my household. I came right into the path of the car traveling 35 miles an hour. My bicycle went under the car. Fortunately, I flipped on top of the hood, and when the forward momentum threw me, I hit the pavement violently. It happened so fast I didn't feel any immediate pain. I was dazed and disoriented. But when I tried to put weight on my left leg, it just collapsed out from under me, and what I didn't know was that three inches of my tibia - that's the large lower leg bone - was laying right on the road beside me.

Sid: So the ambulance gets there, and another... It's bad enough to get hit on a bicycle and three inches of your bone is lying on the pavement, the ambulance picks him up, and what happened to the ambulance?

Ben: Coincidentally, one of the first people on the scene - and I say that tongue in cheek, because coincidence is when God orchestrates events and remains anonymous. One of the first people on the scene was a doctor, and he knew how to treat me until the paramedics arrived. Then they put an air cast on my leg, which was to restrict the movement and prevent infection, and rushed me to the hospital. This was on one of the major thoroughfares in Tampa, FL. Two blocks away from the hospital, a man ran through a red light and smashed into
the ambulance I was traveling in.
Sid: So you're telling me you had two accidents in thirty minutes.
Did anyone ever tell you you're accident prone?
No, I'm just teasing you.
Ben: I'd say it wasn't my lucky day.
My mother was riding in the passenger seat.
She had her seatbelt fastened, wisely. She was unharmed.
But the ambulance driver was throw into the windshield,
suffered a concussion. They had to dispatch another ambulance
to take me and him the rest of the way to the emergency room.
Sid: You get to the emergency room,
and now there's a new crisis. Tell me about it.
Ben: The first thing they did was rather embarrassing.
They cut off all my clothes. Guess what they found?
The pack of cigarettes I'd gone to buy.
Be sure, your sins will find you out.
Someone asked me how I quit smoking, and I told them
"It was real easy. I got hit by a car, and that was it.
God knocked the nicotine out of me permanently."
But while I was laying there on the gurney,
they showed me my bone fragment in a jar of solution.
It was sitting there on the counter.
I had a six inch gaping wound on my foreleg,
and immediate surgery was necessary.
However, because it was July,
a routine summer Saturday in Florida,
there were a lot of boating, fishing, swimming accidents.
No operating rooms were available.
So, my mom and dad got the prayer chain going.
In fact, the church I was raised at had, on top of the church,
a large sign of praying hands that rotated, and their slogan was
"Around the clock, around the world, we are praying."
Sid: You were raised with miracles.
Ben: Yes.
Sid: That's a wonderful heritage to have.
So you have praying parents, they're praying for you.
You have other people praying for you.
What happened next?
Ben: Well, my parents and my church took Jesus at His word.
In Matthew 18:19, "If any two agree as touching anything,
it shall be done." They took that scripture at face value.
They began the prayer chain,
asking God to make a way for me to get into surgery.
According to the hospital manifest,
there wasn't an operating room until the next day.
I got in. Within four hours they wheeled me into surgery.
That was the good news. the next news wasn't so good.
The orthopedic surgeon wasn't able to salvage the bone fragment.
It was too jagged and splintered.
They could not reinsert it in my leg.
So they put a pin just below my knee,
another just above my ankle, a long leg cast.
They came out of surgery and told my parents
"Your son Ben will never walk again
without a very obvious limp.
His left leg will be shorter than his right leg."
The diagnosis was to take bone graft out of my hip
and implant it into my shin, pin and plate it together, hope it grows back well.
They even braced my parents for the possibility, if infection set in, that I might lose my leg.
Sid: So the worst is you might lose the leg.
What's the best they could offer?
Ben: The best, with bone graft and therapy, I would probably limp, noticeably, the rest of my life.
Sid: But two men came and gave you words from God. Tell me about that.
Ben: Yes. I was in the hospital for eighteen days total, and while I was there, I had many visitors.
But two men came. One of them had a word of knowledge God revealed to him, and he spoke it to my parents, that my leg would be restored by a miracle.
The other gentleman told my parents he had actually seen a vision of me walking and running normally, indicating that my leg would be restored by a miracle.
And of course, my parents clung to those confirmations of faith, tenaciously.
Sid: You're what, seven years old?
Ben: Yes.
Sid: What did you think? Did you believe that you were going to have a miracle?
Ben: I had childlike faith. I was fortunate to be raised in a church, in a Spirit-filled family, where miracles were common.
To God, the supernatural is natural. It's like breathing to Him. So I had that childlike faith.
Sid: Oh, that the world become normal! All things are possible in His presence! Don't go away.
Wait until you hear about this amazing, instant miracle. We'll be right back.

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Sid: Hello, Sid Roth here with Ben Godwin. Ben was in an accident. A car, in his blind spot, hit Ben who was riding on a bicycle. Three inches of his leg bone is now on the ground. The worst, he could lose his leg. The best, they do bone grafts and he would walk with a limp the rest of his life. He's in a wheelchair now, but he believes in miracles. In fact, when you were in the hospital, your parents constantly read scriptures about healing.

Ben: That's right. They surrounded me with an atmosphere of faith, and they went through the Bible. They selected miracle stories and scriptures pertaining to healing, and they read them audibly to me on a daily basis.

Sid: So you're at a congregational meeting, and your mother has a vision. Explain.

Ben: That's right. One of the elders in our church felt led to pray for me, so he began to pray for me. While he did, my mother saw a vision of an x-ray. It was an x-ray like we had seen many times, showing the three inch gap of missing bone in my leg. In the vision, suddenly she saw a milky thread-like substance span the two tips of the bones. Then suddenly it began to fill in until it was solid bone. Again, that was another confirmation to her that God was going to do something supernatural.

Sid: There was one meeting where there was such an amazing presence of God, it was tangible. It affected people. Describe that meeting. I wish I'd been at that meeting.

Ben: That occurred at my pastor's home. She was, at that time, a 79 year old woman. When she started that prayer meeting years before, she had seen people kneeling all over her living room and Jesus walking among them, touching and blessing them. Well, this was that kind of night. It started off as a normal prayer meeting would, and then suddenly the atmosphere changed. I was keenly aware, as an 8 year old, I'd just turned 8, that something had changed. It began to manifest, because my pastor, who would never ordinarily do something like this, fell out of the chair she always sat in and literally crawled on her hands and knees across the floor to where I was sitting.

Sid: Why did she crawl on her hands and knees?

Ben: She was just overwhelmed with the Spirit of God.
Sid: In the Jewish scriptures, it says the Spirit of God was so strong in the temple that people could not stand. That's what it sounds like to me.
Ben: I believe it was a similar experience. She was praying, she was weeping. She sat down right at my cast. I was on a sofa. She sat down, laid her hands on my cast, and she began to pray. I'll never forget, I distinctly heard these words in her prayer, "A new bone for Ben, God. Honor Thy word with a new bone in this leg."

She continued praying a few minutes. When she prayed, I don't know how else to describe it, I felt something move inside of my cast. On the way home that night, I told my parents. I was in the back seat of the car. I told them "When pastor prayed for me, I felt something move inside my cast."

Of course we believed God had intervened, but we needed medical confirmation.

Sid: So you knew that you had a new bone, your parents knew that you had a new bone, your whole congregation knew that you had a new bone, but your leg was I guess still in a cast?
Ben: Yes.

Sid: So you go to the doctor. What happens?
Ben: It was 27 days from that day of the prayer meeting we went back to the doctor. We had skipped a couple of appointments, because my mom felt directed to do something rather unusual. She changed doctors right in the middle of this crisis.

Sid: Why? You don't normally change doctors.
Ben: The first orthopedic surgeon, he's to be credited with saving my leg and the surgery he did, but he was a profane unbeliever, he used profanity in his language, and he insulted my mom and dad's faith. They didn't want me under his influence.

Sid: I can understand.
Ben: They wanted me under the influence of a believer. So we went back to the doctor, and at first he scolded my mother because a total of 48 days I had not seen a doctor.

Sid: Well what difference did it make?
Ben: Remember I'd had a six inch gaping wound, and that has to be tended to very carefully, because infection could set in, and again, that would jeopardize my leg. He really scolded my mom for her irresponsibility, as it were. He left the room and went to the x-ray room to see the new x-rays. I'll never forget, my mom grabbed my hand and began to pray, just kind of under her breath. She said "Lord, we've trusted You this far, and we're not giving up now."

We kept praying until the door opened,
and we tensed up for more verbal abuse. But this time, his countenance had totally changed. He wasn't lashing out at us. He said "Mrs. Godwin, something has changed in Ben's leg since you were at your last appointment."

Sid: What changed?

Ben: He led us down the hallway to show us, to the x-ray room. He pulled out his pointer and in medical terms tried to explain to my mom that I didn't need a bone graft anymore, that new bone had appeared on the x-ray.

My mom, she was a very demonstrative, vocal person. She literally began to jump. I mean leap for joy.

Sid: Jump for joy.

Ben: Yes. I'll never forget, I began tugging on momma's shoulder, I said "Momma, Jesus did it! He really did it!"

The doctor just kind of looked at us strange, and he conceded. He said "Mrs. Godwin, you really do have faith."

Sid: I'll tell you what, when you read his book, you will really have faith. I love the title, "God's Strategy For Tragedy."

People are reading this book, and where they have been really angry with God because they misunderstood, they misdiagnosed and read what was going on, they're getting their first love back.

His full story, with x-rays. We're going to see his x-rays. Be right back in a moment.

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the doctor is reading the riot act to your mother
for waiting so long. You could've died from an infection.
He looks at the x-ray, he comes out, and what does he say?
Ben: The next day he made an appointment
to remove the pins that were in my leg.
He said that they were no longer necessary.
Sid: How did he account for that?
Ben: He was baffled.
In fact, I believe he was a religious man,
but I don't know that he really knew Jesus.
We found out later, through the grapevine -
my mom employed a housekeeper
who also worked for the same doctor -
and we heard later that it had such a profound
and dramatic effect on him that he started reading his Bible,
and started attending a Bible believing church.
Sid: Ok! Let's take a look at the x-rays.
Tell me what you have here today.
Ben: This first x-ray shows the two pins
running horizontally through my leg.
It also shows the three inch chunk of missing bone.
Sid: That's the "before."
Ben: Yes. This x-ray was taken two months
after my accident, with no visible improvement.
Sid: From the time of this x-ray showing no change,
what is the time of this one? How much time elapsed?
Ben: This one was taken in March,
so this was several months later.
This was the last x-ray I ever had taken.
This shows the full bone filled in completely.
The doctor, after I had prayer 27 days later,
was so convinced that the bone was restored
that he took the pins out,
told me I could begin walking without crutches.
God did a total miracle.
Sid: Why did you write this book,
"God's Strategy For Tragedy"?
Ben: First, I wanted to share my testimony,
and to let people know Jesus Christ is the same
yesterday, today, and forever. He doesn't change.
What God did in Bible days, I believe He still does today.
Sid: You have these x-rays right in the book, of course.
Ben: Yes, and there are also four hospital records
that verify the story as well.
Sid: Oh, remember the story that at best,
you would be limping, but need bone graft,
and at worst you'd lose your leg?
Tell me about the limping.
Ben: Ha ha! No limping.
In fact, all throughout junior high and high school,
I was able to participate in athletics:
basketball, football, water skiing, I've snow skied,
all without any difficulty.
In fact, I won a state tournament in Florida for ping pong,
which you can't do with a bad leg. Ha ha!
Sid: Tell me about this book, "God's Strategy For Tragedy."
What's the most important lesson you learned
about tragedy in this book?
Ben: God is a master at bringing good out of bad situations.
I'm sure all of your viewers have questions
about why God allows tragedy...
Sid: Of course.
Ben: ...when in His sovereignty, He could prevent it.
There's several reasons.
Sometimes, it's to manifest His glory.
It's an opportunity for God to intervene.
Sometimes He allows tragedy to change our direction.
Sometimes tragedy can be somebody's wakeup call,
where they realize they need God.
Unfortunately, sometimes it takes drastic measures
to get some peoples' attention.
Other times, tragedy can be a learning experience
to prepare us for ministry.
There's nothing like having been through something
where you can then turn around in compassion
and relate to someone else and say
"God brought me through that. He can do the same for you."
But more than all of those, I think tragedy is
often a result of living in a fallen world.
This world doesn't function the way God intended it to function.
Sometimes we're quick to say "That's an act of God",
or "That's an act of the Devil".
Sometimes it's just a result of living in a fallen world.
Jesus said God makes His sun to shine on the good and the evil,
He sends the rain on the just and the unjust.
So it's not so important why God allows tragedy.
What's more important how we respond to tragedy.
Sid: When I was reading your book,
and it is a very important book,
it answers a lot of questions that people are posing,
especially people who aren't believers in God
when they read it and hear about your miracle testimony.
But I thought of the prophet Daniel and the fiery furnace,
and Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego,
they're about ready to go to their death, and they say
"Our God's going to take care of us,
but even if He doesn't, I will not bow down to you, oh king."
I have to tell you, there are a lot of things I don't understand.
I wish I understood more than I do.
Even with this gray hair, there's a lot of things I don't understand.
But the one thing I understand is,
God is good, and God is love,
and I will serve Him no matter what life hands my way.
I don't understand, when people have intimacy with God,
why everyone doesn't feel that way.
Maybe I answered my own question,
they don't have intimacy with God.
Ben: Some people respond to tragedy by blaming God.
They shake their fists in anger and say
"Why did You let this happen?"
Sid: I did that one time. This is a true story.
I was driving my car and something bad happened,
and I took my fist and put it up in the air like this
and said "God, why did You allow this?"
Instantly, I had a fender bender. I never did it again.
Ben: Some people blame God.
Other people, they're not that bold, but they become bitter.
They begin to view life and people through the dark lenses
of their personal, painful experiences.
But the Bible presents another alternative.
Instead of blaming God, instead of becoming bitter...
I know, because I lost my mom this past May,
and she was a believer down to the last breath.
Job had more calamity than any other Bible character.
Ten children lost, all of his livestock were gone,
his own health deteriorated. But here's what he said:
"Though God slay me, yet will I trust in Him."
I think God wants us to get to the point
where we're determined we're going to serve Him,
we're going to trust Him.
My view is, if God never does another thing for me,
He's already done enough for me to serve Him the rest of my life.
Sid: Me too. How about you?
But you know, God has a strategy for the worst tragedy,
the absolute worst tragedy that can happen to a human.
You know what His strategy is? Heaven.
You know what His strategy is? You'll never be alone.
You know what His strategy is?
He takes your big mess and turns it around for good.
You know what His strategy is?
He has the most wonderful life in store for you,
but you're literally acting in pride when you do
the opposite of what God wants you to do.
I want you to know something.
All God wants you to do is accept His amazing gift.
He sent His Son, the Messiah, Yeshua, Jesus,
who died for you. And when He died for you,
He died for every one of your sins,
and He died for every one of your sicknesses.
That is truth. Let every man be a liar,
but God's word is true.
If you will turn from your sins, tell God you're sorry,
ask His help to turn from your sins -
you can't do it by yourself - with His help,
and then believe that because of His death,
every rotten, horrible thing you've ever done,
God says "I will remember your sins no more."
You become righteous.
You are as righteous and clean and holy in God's sight
as His Son Jesus is. That's righteous.
It's such an amazing gift
that God wants to shower upon you right now.
He has done everything He's ever going to do.
He's now waiting for you.
You're not waiting on Him, He's waiting for you.
Don't say "God, I need a sign." You have a sign.
You're watching this TV show right now.
This is God's sign for you, and this is God's moment for you.
Do you love living without the peace, presence,
and victory of knowing that, if God is for you,
who can be against you.
God is telling me that people are being healed right now. Make Jesus your Lord. There are people who's backs are being healed now, necks, an ear has just been opened, a hip is being healed. If you will move parts of your body that I'm mentioning, you'll see that by His wounds you were healed. Make Jesus your Lord. No more tragedy for you. No more.

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