

SID: My guest was healed supernaturally of cancer. And now when he prays for people over 70 so far have been healed of cancer. I have never, ever seen such outrageous, aggressive faith that causes miracles to happen.

*Can ancient secrets of the supernatural be rediscovered? Do angels exist? Is there life after death? Are healing miracles real? Can you get supernatural help from another dimension? Has the future been written in advance? **Sid Roth has spent 30 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, Charles Vance,** has the most outrageous, aggressive, I'll even say ferocious faith for miracles than anyone you've ever heard. And you know what? It exudes from every pore of his body. I have some questions about miracles. Now if I've got questions about miracles, you've got questions about miracles. Why is one person healed and another person not? Why is someone that's not even a believer healed and someone that has been in the way, maybe that's the problem, has been in the Word for 30 years, they're not healed? Why does someone get healed at a meeting and then it seems as though they go right out the door and they lose their healing and it doesn't come back? There are a lot of mysteries to why miracles happen, why they don't happen, and we're gonna try to clear up a lot of these mysteries. But Charles, you were raised in a nice religious Pentecostal family. You got to church your whole life. But you didn't see many people healed. You didn't have a clue about healings or miracles. But something happened in your life that changed everything. You were installing a sound system in a congregation and you were running into problems in your life, and you asked the pastor do what a pastor does. You said, "Pray for me." And he said?

CHARLES: And he said no.

SID: No?

CHARLES: And to compound the problem he was a friend of mine. I'm thinking, gosh, that's really, you're being a jerk. I didn't say this, but I thought that.

SID: I understand.

CHARLES: Because I thought, the least you can do is pray for me. Times are tough. The kids were sick. I was having a tough time financially. But he said, "I will do this." He said, "I'll spend about an hour with you if you'll plan to spend an extra hour when you come to install my sound system or look it over or get ready to install it." And he set me down and he put a Bible in my hand. I've been raised in church since I was three years old, so it wasn't odd for me to be around the Bible. But he took me some specific areas of scripture that showed me, and he told me, he said, "You're sabotaging your life about what you're saying and how you're acting." And he took me to some scriptures and he showed me that death and life are in the power of the tongue. I remember specifically he took me to James, Chapter 3, and it said that we actually set the direction that our life is going in by the words that come out of our mouth. Well it started a revolutionizing I had seen in my life. I mean, just immediately.

SID: But it just seems to me it shouldn't have been, number one, it shouldn't have been a mystery to you. You should have known these things, as you said, since, what, three years old you're in church. You should have known these things. But he just shows you a few scriptures that become alive to you and you would think it would take 20 years to change your life.

CHARLES: It whet my taste when he started showing me that I had something to do with my future. You know, we've heard people say things like, God's a mysterious God. Well I heard somebody respond to that a few years ago that he's only mysterious to people that don't know anything about Him.

SID: That's true.

CHARLES: God's not mysterious. He gave us this Bible.

SID: You know what I'm thinking? A father should not be mysterious to their children, and God is a better father than any natural father anyone could have.

CHARLES: Absolutely. And we've acted like that God does things mysteriously that he'll just randomly pick and choose. Well I'll heal Sid, but I won't heal Charles, and we've not known, we've wondered, well why would he heal Sid and not heal Charles? That doesn't make any sense. We call God a God of love. I remember growing up in church reading the tenants of faith that were posted on the walls of our church, that God provided healing for all under the atonement, and then I would hear people get up in the pulpit and say, well God heals some folks and He doesn't heal other folks and we just don't know why.

SID: Or you go to any church in the world and you say, I want to pray for the sick, stand up if you're sick, and the majority of the church stands up. There's something wrong with that picture.

CHARLES: Absolutely.

SID: May 4th, 1994. Talk is cheap, Charles. You bump into a life-threatening disease. Tell me how it started.

CHARLES: Well you know, I had been teaching and preaching healing. We had seen miracles take place in our church. I had started pastoring our church full time that year. My dad had pastored since 1963. I started the transition in 1988. We're seeing miracles take place. We're preaching powerful word of faith, powerful word for healing, and we're seeing miracle after miracle. I wake up on a Wednesday morning, May 4th, 1994, with a pain in my belly, a bad pain in my belly. I thought I'll take some Tums, Roloids, go back to bed.

SID: You've seen the commercials.

CHARLES: Sure. Go back to bed. I couldn't go back to bed. As the day went on the pain actually got worse. I had been on a fast for about three days and I thought maybe I need to eat something. So I hate a hamburger that afternoon, threw it up. I don't do that. That's, I guess some people do that on a regular basis. I don't do it. So that was extremely abnormal for me. Had

a little bit of relief for a few moments and then the pain started back. And the pain just kept escalating. It kept getting worse and worse, and worse. Now all day long I'm doing what I preach. I don't think you should preach one thing to people and do something else, so I was trying to practice what I preach. I spoke to the pain. I spoke to the source of the pain. I invoked the name of Jesus. I was doing everything that I knew that I had preached to others to do for myself.

SID: Just out of curiosity, Charles, the Sunday before this pain hit you, what was the subject you spoke on?

CHARLES: We had been on, I'm not real sure. I think you're asking if I preached on healing, but I'm not sure if I did. But we were always preaching on faith. Everything in our meetings would always get back to faith because one of the things that changed my life is when my preacher friend set me down and started showing me how important it was for me to say what God said by faith, so that just completely turned my life around. It turned my business around. It turned my health. My kids were sick all of a time. My kids quit getting sick.

SID: Okay, you have this pain. You're doing everything you've been telling everyone to do and the pain is getting worse. You're throwing up. So what do you do? Great man of God, what do you do?

CHARLES: Same thing everybody else does, probably. I called my brother, which was my praise leader at the time. He lived just a few doors down from me, and he could hear the pain in my voice. I told him I was gonna unlock the front door. Nobody at home with me. It was about five o'clock in the evening, and I heard him come in and he was yelling, "Charlie, where are you?" I told him I was in the back bedroom. I had been up on my knees, you know, on all fours. I had gotten in a hot tub of water. I had done everything that I could think of that would maybe alleviate this pain. Well he came in immediately and started doing the same thing that I was doing. He laid his hands on me and told me, "Pain, you gotta go. Leave from the root, the sickness, the disease, whatever is causing this pain."

SID: Listen, when the pain gets unbearable and doesn't leave and you have done everything you know to do, I suggest you get to the hospital quickly. Let's find out what Charles did. Be right back after this word.

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SID: Hello. **Sid Roth here with Charles Vance.** What happens when you're telling everyone God's a good God. You're telling everyone God's not a respecter of persons. You're telling everyone God will heal anyone of anything, and that's what you've been, because you get so excited that you start, and there's miracles taking place all over your congregation. And you have this pain, you call your brother-in-law who lives nearby and he prays for you, and you've been

praying for all your worth, and no relief. You go to the hospital. Charles Vance, what happened next?

CHARLES: I called my brother. He came. He talked me into going to the hospital. His wife was a nurse. She says probably gallbladder. Go to the hospital, the process of getting through the emergency room. They started an IV. I didn't think that was good because I was intended on going home that evening.

SID: I'm sure.

CHARLES: Then they put a stomach pump in. I knew that was definitely not a good sign. Third thing they did that was not a good sign was they asked me who my surgeon was. I didn't have a surgeon. I didn't even have a family doctor at the time. So they put me in the hospital, 1 a.m. The next day they did an ultrasound to check my gallbladder. There's nothing wrong with my gallbladder. The next day they took me to X-ray. They had to pull the stomach pump out. Took me to X-ray and actually did the fluoroscope that morning, started a fluoroscope. The doctor that did the fluoroscope, I built a house for him, our company had built a house for him. They turned the screen around so that I could see. Had me take a drink of this liquid that would show up on the screen and said, "You need to take another drink." Took another drink and it got into my small intestines that I could see it stop. And when it stopped, he said, "That's all we need right now." So they sent me back to the room, started a series of X-rays. That was Friday morning. They X-rayed probably every four hours or so.

SID: And by the way, I saw the X-rays of the blockage. This man had a big blockage. Go ahead.

CHARLES: Sid, my stomach was so swollen, even after they had put the stomach pump in, that if you would touch it, it would hurt. They had me on Demerol. It was just a miserable, miserable season in my life. On Friday afternoon, the surgeon came in, which by the way, our company had built a house for him as well. Came in and said, "You've got a blockage. We found blockage in your small intestines," and he said, "We're diagnosing it as lymphoma." And he said, "I want to do surgery immediately."

SID: That's got to be such a shock to someone like you. You were positive. Correct me if I'm wrong, you were positive nothing was wrong.

CHARLES: It was aggravating.

SID: It was an irritant.

CHARLES: Yeah, it was frustrating.

SID: It's time-wasting.

CHARLES: Exactly. My feeling was, I should not be here. I don't mind going to the hospital to visit people, but I'm not going to be a patient. That's not my focus in life by any means. And he

said, “We’ve got to do surgery.” I said, “I don’t want to do surgery.” And I’m thinking, what is going on, is really what I’m thinking.

SID: Sure, I understand.

CHARLES: And he said, “The longer,” he said, “I’ll wait. If nothing worse happens.” But he said, “If the least thing changes,” he said, “I’m taking you into surgery.” Well I wanted to give God some time. You know, I’ve been preaching this stuff, and I remember being in the emergency room, and I told the devil, just quietly, surrounded by nurses, I said, “If you kill me I’ll win. I’m gonna go be with the Lord. I just want you to know that.” I told the devil, “I just want you to know you’re a loser.” And I said, “If I win this thing,” I said, “I will rub this in your face the rest of my life.” We do a healing of miracles service in May every year and we use the whole month to rub it in his face, repetitive healing.

SID: Okay. Alright. So you have this space of time to pray. Sunday comes along. They’ve been X-raying you every three hours and I assume no change. How many days were you in the hospital?

CHARLES: I went on Wednesday night, or Thursday morning, 1 a.m. They started the fluoroscope and X-rays on Friday. So all day Friday, all day Saturday, and then Sunday morning they send for me from the X-ray department again, early. The best I remember they woke me up and sent for me. And I seem to remember that they sent for me a second time, which they had never done, a real short period of time, 30 minutes or an hour apart. And then in about two hours, about nine o’clock, the doctor shows up. The surgeon shows up and he walks in the room with about three interns. They stand at the end of my bed, real small private room, and he stands to my left, and he looked at me, and he said, “Charlie, I don’t know what to tell you with the exception that yesterday the blockage was there and today it’s gone.” Now he was wearing a lapel pin that said, “He is risen.” I looked at his lapel pin. He was getting ready to go to church. He was doing his rounds before he went to church. He was a little different flavor than I. And I said, “That right there is the reason that this blockage is gone.” I can almost see him back up against the wall and kind of throw his hands up, and he said, “I believe in miracles, but my scientific mind gets in the way.” Now I’ve learned that you could have a miracle right under your nose and if you don’t believe God is God, and if you don’t believe that he has the ability to do something miraculous--

SID: But wait a second. Wait a second. I saw the before X-rays. I saw the after X-rays. Blockage, no blockage. Lymphoma, no Lymphoma. My scientific mind says it was a miracle.

CHARLES: Well mine would say that, too.

SID: Okay. A few days later the Lord speaks to you and tells you why you did not need that surgery.

CHARLES: He told me two things. I could take you to the spot still in my house today. He said, “The people that you chose to surround yourself with and your reflexes,” He said, “spiritual reflexes.” And I really had to think about that. I thought, “Lord, I really don’t hardly even know

what you're saying, spiritual reflexes." Well I found out "reflexes" is just an automatic response. I had to go look it up. I know what a reflex is. The doctor hits you with a hammer and, you know, checks your response.

SID: Well most people's automatic response is fear, panic, everyone pray for me, and worry. That's the automatic response.

CHARLES: And I told people, don't tell anybody about this. When I was in the hospital that was the first thing I told people. And I think there was maybe a little bit of a pride issue, but more than that, I didn't want a lot of people saying, "Pastor is sick. Pastor is in the hospital." I wanted people saying, "The hand of God is going to change the circumstance."

SID: Okay. God said you would not be standing here if your reflex wasn't according to His kingdom, rather than the kingdom of this world. And you say He said a second thing.

CHARLES: Those who I chose to companion with. Solomon said that if you make yourself a companion with the wise you'll be wise, but if you make yourself a companion with fools you'll be destroyed. I would expand that by saying if you make yourself a companion with the healed you'll be healed. But if you make yourself a companion with the sick you'll probably be sick.

SID: You know what I think is wonderful? What the devil meant for evil has actually been turned around for good because Charles now prays for the sick. He's had well over 70 people, most of them in his congregation, well over 70 people have been healed of cancer. And I want you to, it's contagious, not the cancer, his aggressive faith, I want you to catch some of his, another word for faith is "trust", some of his absolute child-like trust in the integrity of the Word of the Living God. Don't go away. Be right back after this word.

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SID: Hello. **Sid Roth here with Charles Vance.** Now Charles, you love to pray for the sick now because you really have a passion for people to understand what God has given us. In my notes something that so many people ponder is they stand in a healing line. Some are healed. Some are not. Some that are healed, they leave the congregation and it seems as though the pain comes right back. That shouldn't be. I can't picture Jesus praying for someone and the pain coming back.

CHARLES: I think people have made that a real mysterious issue. When the Bible tells us in the Old Testament and the New Testament that "The just shall live by faith." Habakkuk 2:4 is where that's quoted from. In the New Testament it says, "The just shall live by HIS faith." That means Sid's gonna live by Sid's faith and Charles is gonna live by Charles' faith. And I understand there are some exceptions to that that we can put our faith together. But for the most part, it's our responsibility. You know, all of us know that faith comes by hearing. Romans 10:17. We

probably know Mark 4:24. Jesus said, “The sower sows the word the logos. Anyway that you can expose yourself to God, the Word of God, the things of God, is going to increase faith. You know, a lot of times what we do is we expose ourselves to everything else that is going on, the reports of the news, the reports of the doctors, the reports of your friend. I knew somebody that had that, and gosh, I don’t even want to tell you what happened.

SID: Even worse than that. When the doctor says, “What did your father have? What did your mother have? You’re probably going to have this.” And it’s sort of like planted inside as a younger person, and it kind of grows in you.

CHARLES: It really does. And I believe if we’re going to get free from those, what people have called generational disease, generational curses, we’re gonna have to develop a faith in God’s word.

SID: By why does someone heal and then the healing seems to mysteriously disappear?

CHARLES: Well not only do we have to develop faith to receive something, we have to have faith to keep something. I believe it’s the same faith that we receive something by. It was the same word that God spoke the worlds into existence. The Bible in the Book of Hebrews, Chapter 1, it keeps it in existence. So God didn’t just stop with the Word. His word is still reverberating throughout the universes. Our words need to come in alignment with the Word of God. Our thinking needs to come into alignment with the Word of God. Our faith, obviously. Belief needs to.

SID: You know, this is crossing my mind. You said our speaking, our thinking has to come. Obviously, the speaking because that goes out and that’s in the atmosphere, and that is tangible. And even though you don’t see it with your natural eyes I believe our thoughts go out into the atmosphere just like our words do because Jesus knew the thoughts of people. So they obviously are coming out.

CHARLES: There’s a circle of faith. What comes out of our mouth not only goes into the atmosphere, it goes back into my ear. And what I hear is what I believe, which lodges down in my heart. And the scripture said that what gets in my heart, Jesus said, “From the overflow of my heart my mouth speaks, then I hear it again.” I turn it into a circle. I call it going into seed. I can go to seed with good things, create a good harvest or I can go to seed with bad things. If I keep saying something that is opposite to the promises of God’s word, it’s going to build faith in the wrong. And if I have faith in wrong things, guess what I’m gonna have? Wrong things materializing in my life.

SID: So when the symptom leaves and then comes back it’s not a sickness issue. It’s a faith issue.

CHARLES: It is to me. And I’ve seen so many people receive a healing and then keep a healing because they’ve learned how they got the healing. You know, a lot of times as full gospel folks, we’ll go up in a prayer line and get hands laid on us and see just an incredible move of the glory of God, people getting miracles. I believe in the gifts of the Spirit and the working of miracles,

and gifts of healings. But sometimes people walk away and lose that because they don't know how they got it. They don't know how it got there.

SID: I say speaking about knowing how they got it, I would like Charles to teach for a couple of minutes faith, and you'll see what I mean. It literally will radiate right out to you, maybe for a minute.

CHARLES: Faith means to be persuaded. And the scripture says it comes by hearing the Word of God or exposing ourselves to the Word of God. We need to expose ourselves more to God and His word, and His promises than we are to everything else. We don't need to hear things halfway in between. We don't need to try to be spiritually or politically correct. We need to become extreme and radical about the things of God, because I believe as we become radical with our faith the results are going to become radical in our lives. As a matter of fact, Sid, if it's okay, I want to pray with people right now.

SID: Please.

CHARLES: There's some people watching today and you're saying, "Gosh, I just didn't know things were that simple." I want to pray with you, put my faith together with you because I know that sickness and disease is not from God, and I know Jesus has already paid for you to be healthy. Father, in the name of Jesus right now, for the person that's watching, there's somebody setting in just like a lounge chair and you're sick in your stomach. I speak to that sickness and I command it to cease from the root, and I command wholeness by the stripes of Jesus. I command wholeness to man that's watching with cancer right now. I curse that cancer that's in your body. I command every cell of it to die, and I command healing to be manifested in you in the name of Jesus the Christ. Thank you so much, Father, for everything good that you've created for us. We receive it now. Every person that's diseased and sick, I command you to be well in Jesus' name. Amen.

SID: And you know, Charles, just before you started praying I felt an angel just touch me on the head. I believe that if you could see the invisible world you would see that healing power of God going right into you right now. Receive it all now in Jesus' name. Be whole.