

Life Changing Word--Broadcast 3 July 15, 2018

Hello everyone and welcome.

Thank you for listening today.

Let's cover today's broadcast with prayer.

Jesus, I dedicate this program to you. Please anoint every word spoken. Holy Spirit reach through these radio waves and touch people hearts, souls, minds, and bodies. Let them feel your amazing love and power to change their lives for the better. In Jesus name, Amen.

Last week, I told you how much God loves you and that God desires a personal, close, intimate relationship with you. I also said that God loved you so much that He sent his son, Jesus, to restore relationship between God and humanity. We learned that Jesus' sacrifice on the cross not only redeemed us from sin and hell, but also provided healing for everywhere we hurt.

I know everyone has some hurt in their lives right now. So that means I am talking to you. If you feel hopeless and your future seems miserable, please listen to the most uplifting story about a young man who suffered a great loss and turned it into a beautiful life.

I am going to share the testimony of Nick Vujicic. Nick is the son of a pastor and he was born in Australia in 1982. Nick was born with NO arms and NO legs. He has one small flipper-like foot and that is his only appendage.

Nick tells how his dad's head was next to his mom's head as he was being born. His dad saw only a shoulder and just went pale, because he saw that Nick had no right arm. His dad had to leave the room, and he couldn't believe what he saw. Then the doctor came in, and Nick's dad said, My son has no right arm, and the doctor said, 'No, your son has no arms or legs.' Nick's dad nearly fell on the floor. He couldn't believe it.

Nick's father is a pastor and the whole church was grieving and asking why would God let the pastor's son be born that way. His mom, at first, she didn't want to hold him or breastfeed Nick. She felt very uncomfortable for the first four months. It took Nick's parents quite a while before they could trust in God that God had not made a mistake – that God had not forgotten his parents or Nick.

Nick's parents gave their fear and even disappointment in their son's disability over to the Lord. They choose to trust God and His promise that He had a plan and purpose – a hope and a future for their son. They stood on

[Jeremiah 1:5](#) Before I formed thee in the belly I knew you; and before you came forth out of the **womb** I sanctified thee, *and* I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

But as the years passed, Nick on the other hand, had many challenges trusting in a God that he felt gave him less.

Nick challenged God and said, 'God, I know that I am a sinner. I know I won't probably have peace until You are in my heart. But I will not let You in my heart until You answer me, why? Why did you take my arms and legs? Why didn't You give me what everybody else has? God, until You answer me that question, I will not serve You.'

Nick wanted to end it. If God wasn't going to end his pain, Nick was going to end it himself. So at age eight, Nick tried to drown himself in a bathtub with four inches of water. He told his mom and dad, 'I'm just going to relax in the bathtub. Can you put me in the bathtub?' Nick turned over a couple of times to see if he could do it. Nick could not take his own life. The thought that stopped him from going through with suicide was the love for his parents. Nick loved them so much, and all they did was love him. He pictured his funeral. He pictured his parents, and all Nick saw was guilt on their shoulders that they couldn't have done more.

That was the last time Nick attempted suicide. But it wouldn't be the last time he would come face to face with those deep issues that made him want to end the pain.

One day Nick's mother had him read an article about a severely disabled man. That man's story made a huge impact on Nick.

Nick decided he had a choice to either be angry at God for what he did not have or be thankful for what he did have. Nick's mom said, 'Nick, God's going to use you. I don't know how. I don't know when, but God's going to use you.'

And those seeds started penetrating in Nick's heart. That's when he started seeing that there is no point in being complete on the outside when you're broken on the inside. Nick found out that God can heal you without changing your circumstance.

Nick gave his life to Jesus Christ when he read John 9 at age 15, where this blind man from birth was coming through a village. Jesus saw him. People asked Jesus, 'Why was this man born this way?' Jesus said, 'It was done so that the works of God may be revealed through him.'

"In second Timothy chapter 3, verse 16, it says, 'All scripture is God-breathed.' That is when Nick believed God breathed into him life and faith. This faith came over me. This

peace came over me. I felt like God answered my question that I'd been waiting for. The question was: Why?

Why did you make me this way?

God's answer is: Do you trust Me?

That is the real question. That is at the heart of all of our anxiety.

When you say yes, I will TRUST JESUS, nothing else matters and you will find peace.

Nick could stop searching. There was nothing else he could find. There was nothing else that could give him peace. He knew arms and legs would not give him peace anyway.

Nick needed to know the truth of who He was. Why he was here and where he was going after death. Nick has searched but never found that truth anywhere else but in Jesus Christ.

It was in Jesus Christ where Nick found the strength to do what many thought would be the impossible.

Nick says, "It is so hard to be strong when people constantly say, 'You're not good enough. Go away. We don't want anything to do with you.'

In life, if you don't know the truth, then you can't be free. You will believe the lies like they are the truth. But once you read the Word of God and realize, I know the truth, I'm not a man without arms and legs. I am a child of God.

Nick believes if God does not change your circumstances, then God will use those circumstances for the kingdom of God. People see Nick's pain is real, but they also see that Nick's victory, through Jesus, over his pain is also real. God can swallow-up your pain in victory today as well.

Nick says, if God does not give you a miracle, then you are a miracle of God for somebody else's salvation.

Nick thanks God that He did not answer his prayer when he was begging God for arms and legs at age eight. Because guess what? Nick has no arms and no legs, and God is still using him all around the world. Nick has seen approximately 200,000 souls come to Jesus Christ in the last seven years.

In the last decade, Nick has shared his story in 24 countries to over three million people. Whether he is talking to a stadium packed with people or one single person, his heart behind the message is the same.

Nick wants to tell you that God loves you. God has not forgotten your pain. He has not forgotten your family. Maybe while you listen to this testimony, you have compared your sufferings to Nick's suffering, but that is not where hope is. Hope is in the name of Jesus. Hope is when you compare your suffering to the infinite, immeasurable love and grace of God.

Don't give up on God, because God will not give up on you.

I hope you found that testimony to be as uplifting as I did. If you know someone that is disabled, especially if they are struggling with the emotional pain and depression, please write me for a copy of Nick's story. I strongly urge you to Google Nick and read more about his amazing life and view many interviews and sermons with Nick. Nick is so impactful when you can see a video of his testimony. Nick's joy and enthusiasm is a true miracle of God.

In order for you to Google Nick, I really dreaded trying to pronounce Nick's last name so I will spell it for you.

It is V-U-J-I-C-I-C.

I will repeat this information. Please Google Nick, N-I-C-K and his last name is spelled, V-U-J-I-C-I-C.

If God can turn around the life of a young man without any arms and legs, God will do it for you. God loves us all the same.

In Romans 2:10-11 the Word says,

Glory and honor and inner peace will be given to everyone who habitually does good.

For God shows no partiality nor arbitrary favoritism.

With God one person is not more important than another.

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We will read and study and grow in God's Word together.

I am very interested in praying for you. My announcer will give you my address and email to send me your prayer request or to request a copy of my programs.

I want to offer everyone the opportunity to pray and make Jesus their Lord and Savior. Jesus is the ONLY WAY to redeem your soul from sin. Repeat this prayer with me.

Jesus I confess I am a sinner. I humble myself and repent of my sins. Please forgive me of my sins. I believe You sacrificed your life and rose again from the dead to secure my salvation. Jesus come into my heart and be my Lord and Savior. In Jesus name, Amen.

If you said this prayer, please write me and acknowledge that you have received Jesus. Public confession is part of the process.

Thank you and God bless you.