

Hello, Sid Roth there. Welcome to my world where it's naturally supernatural. My guest was raped, left violated, and broken. Her life became a downward spiral of hopelessness and fear until a series of visions opened the way for her to be free of guilt, free of shame. completely free. Now it's your turn.

Sid Roth has spent over 40 years researching the strange world of the supernatural. Join Sid for this edition of *It's Supernatural*.

**SID:** Donna Grisham was born prematurely and literally had to fight for life to survive. As a child, her father took her and her siblings and left her mother stranded on the side of the road. And when she was 16, things got even worse. Donna, you look strong, healthy, vibrant, but what happened at 16?

**DONNA:** Sid, the worst nightmare of my life happened. I happened to go to a bowling alley with a friend of mine. Her parents picked me up and we went to the bowling alley, met two guys, and during the time we were bowling, she started talking to one of the guys and she really got close. And they were talking about going riding. They wanted us to go ride and she came back over to me. She started talking, she said, "They want us to go riding." And I said, "I can't do that." I said, "My grandmother told me not to leave the bowling alley." She kept on and on. And as you know, sometimes when you're 16, "peer" pressure, you just fall into the peer pressure. So I left with them. And honestly, when I was leaving the bowling alley, as we were leaving, driving off, my thought was, "I'm leaving with two people, strangers, that I don't even know."

**DONNA:** And in the back of my mind, "What am I doing?" But I never said anything, so I went ahead and the other guy that she liked wanted to go and pick up his truck. And so they stopped to pick up his truck and she got out. And so I went to get out also. And she said, "No," she said, "He's going to take you back to the bowling... He'll take you back." And I thought, "I don't want to go with him. I want to go with you." And she said, "You'll be fine." He ended up pulling off. And we pulled off. He drove a little ways and pulled into an alleyway and raped me. And after that, he opened the door and said, "Get out." And he dropped me on the side of the road. And I remember when I fell, I skinned my arm up.

**DONNA:** And so as I'm walking, trying to get back to the bowling alley, and that wasn't very far from the bowling alley. So I finally made it back to the bowling alley. And as I made it back to the bowling alley, I went in and I saw her and the other guy, they had already gotten back there. I don't even think I said anything. I just ran to the bathroom. I went to the bathroom and she came in after me. After she came in, she said, "What is going on? What is your problem?" And I said, "He raped me." And she said, "No, just say what it was, Donna, it's consensual." And I said, "He raped me. Do you hear me? He raped me." And she just kept saying, "It is consensual."

**DONNA:** And she walked out and I was standing there going, "Now, let me go back. When he dropped me off, the one thing he said to me, he said, 'Nobody's ever going to believe you.'" Then the girl, my friend, supposed to be my friend, telling me that it's consensual, that it wasn't rape. And I was like, "It's happening. It's exactly what he said. She doesn't believe me, who else is going to believe me?" So I took it and I packaged it and I wasn't going to say anything. I was never going to talk about this.

**SID:** But you had no choice because, what happened?

**DONNA:** I ended up pregnant and I ended up 25 weeks pregnant. And I don't know if people realize how far along that is. A baby can survive at 25 weeks. My mom came, we end up going to the doctor. I don't remember her driving to the doctor. I don't remember us walking in the doctor's office.

**DONNA:** I don't remember being in the doctor's office, Sid. The only thing I remember is walking out of the doctor's office. So I had to somehow get in that doctor's office. As we were walking out, my mother was walking before me and my mother said, "I ought to just leave and never come back." And at that time, at that point, that even broke me even more. That was just another breaking, of just ripping my heart out. And she made the decision to take me to the abortion clinic in Birmingham, Alabama. I ended up having what they call a saline abortion. A saline abortion is where they inject the woman in the womb and saline, the solution, it's a salt solution that goes into the womb, into the abdomen. And the baby drinks that, and it kills the baby, burns the baby from the inside out.

**DONNA:** And I started having pains and my mom had to take me to the hospital, which was the Baptist Medical Center Hospital in Birmingham. They took me there. Now, let me go back to the Planned Parenthood Clinic. Planned Parenthood, the clinic never told me that it was a baby. They told me it was a blob of tissue. I give birth to a baby, 25 week baby. The nurse was supposed to close the curtain and she didn't close the curtain. I happened to look over and in a jar was my baby and I lost it. I commenced to screaming. I was saying, "I want my baby." Nurses, interns, doctors, everything, everyone was just coming around me trying to quiet me up, "Be quiet, shh, shh." And the doctor said, "Close that curtain now." And the nurse closed the curtain, and she got in my face. She said, "You shut up. You're going to be just fine." And when she said those words, I went black because I guess they must have gave me something to knock me out. And the next thing I remembered, I'm in the backseat of my mom's car on the way back.

**SID:** And there's a dark side, many dark sides of murdering children, but there's a dark side. Most people don't talk about. There is a trauma of the mother and some are totally aware of it and some live with it and no wonder why they are the way they are. But you can't murder your own child without having a consequence. What was yours?

**DONNA:** I lived with nightmares. Sid, I would have nightmares at night of babies drowning in blood. And I would try to save these babies and I'd wake up with sweat. I would have sweat all over me and I would just... All of a sudden the reality of what I had done. It was like, "That's my baby." I ended up in the hospital numerous times, numerous times trying to commit suicide. And honestly, I look back and I couldn't even do that right.

**SID:** Back then at 24, she's pregnant again.

**DONNA:** Yeah. I end up meeting this guy and we're friends, I'm friends with his sister and one thing led to the other and it went too far. And next thing I know, I found out I'm pregnant and I wasn't going to tell my mom. And I was sitting at the table with her at her house. And all of a sudden, my mom looks at me and she said, "You're pregnant." And I thought, "How in the world,

how in the world?" And she said, "Mothers just know this." And so she said, "Everything will be okay." And I thought, "Okay." So we went to bed, got up the next morning. And she said, "Let's go shopping." Under the pretense of going shopping in Savannah, Georgia from Brunswick to Savannah, we drive to Savannah and I'm not thinking about anything. I'm just sitting there, just caught up in what's going to happen with my life, what I'm going to do, what choice I'm going to make?

**DONNA:** And we go and we pull up to this place and I'm still not paying attention. And I go to open the door. When I open the door, I saw the women inside. And as I looked in the faces of these women, some of these women, the look on their face, it was like, you knew they were heartbroken. And then I heard, and Sid, if it wasn't an audible voice, it might as well been, that I heard a voice say, "Run." Well, let me just say the devil's not going to tell you to run from abortion clinic.

**DONNA:** And I didn't know the voice of God, because I didn't know God at that time, I didn't even know if he was real. And so I stopped and I went ahead with it. And the next thing I know, I'm on the table. And I had, the second one was the suction abortion. And it's where they use a cranial tube. And it's like a vacuum cleaner that sucks, the parts of the baby are sucked in. And as I laid there and they turned the machine on, the moment they turned the machine on, I was like, "Turn it off, turn it off, turn it off." And they didn't turn it off, Sid, it was too late. It was too late. And so I thought, "God, what have I done? What have I done to my babies?"

**SID:** Now you went to a pastor and this pastor had the good sense to tell you, you're forgiven, but you couldn't accept it.

**DONNA:** I couldn't accept it because I, first of all, didn't know if God was even real. I couldn't. Growing up, I grew up in a church that didn't believe in healing, didn't believe in miracles. And I just thought, "What in the world do I need? And so what can he do for me?" And I had such shame and such guilt. I was so plagued by what I had done, what I had allowed that I didn't speak up, that I didn't say, "No, I don't want to do this." Forgiveness was nowhere. There was no way that I could be forgiven. That was my thought. There's no way I can be forgiven.

**SID:** So, what did you do with all those hurts inside of you?

**DONNA:** Well, I buried them. I basically buried them and like I said, I was living to die. I was on a road to destruction, on a path to destruction.

**SID:** And then it happened again. You got pregnant again.

**DONNA:** I did. I was in love with the father and whenever I found out I was pregnant and we talked and we were going to get married, we even went and got blood tests, because you had to get blood tests back then. So went and got blood tests. And I went to stay with a friend and he went back to his house and called him the next morning. And his mother said, "He don't want to talk to you." And I thought, "Here we go again. I get myself in these positions and where is God? People talk about God? Where is he?" And so I ended up going to some ladies at the church that I was going to, mentioned PTL and mentioned a girl's home. It's a—

**SID:** So abortion wasn't even [crosstalk] in your vocabulary then.

**DONNA:** No, no. Actually another pastor, he actually said, "We'll talk to your mom, and we'll let her know, there's only two choices. It's either you keep your baby, or you put your baby up for adoption. Abortion is not in the picture." And so I ended up going over to a friend's house. And so I end up on the floor and I'm on my knees and I'm really just having these thoughts in my head. And I said, "God." I said, "Look at the mess that I made." I said, "If you're real, can you do anything? Can you do anything with this mess that I've made in my life?" And so I heard inside, "Turn on the TV," and I thought, "That's weird that's not..." And so I just ignored it. And all of a sudden I heard it again, "Turn on..." and the remote's next to me.

**DONNA:** And all of a sudden I look down and the remote's there and I'm angry. And I picked the remote up and I turned the TV on like that. And when the TV came on, Tammy Faye Baker, Tammy Faye Baker was singing a song that says, "He'll take your mistakes and turn them into a miracle." In that moment, I knew that God was going go... I knew that, that was where I was supposed to go. And so I went to PTL and one day after my meeting with my counselor, I go back to my room and I go back and Sid, I just lay prostrate on my face before God. And I just start crying and I'm crying. And I said, "I don't know whether you're real or not, but if you are, I need to know what you want me to do."

**DONNA:** And all of a sudden I had a vision and in the vision I saw Jesus and I was walking towards him and I had a baby. I was carrying this baby. And I was walking towards him. And I never once took my eyes off of him. I just looked. And the moment I caught eyes with him, his eyes, Sid, was the most loving, caring, he—

**SID:** Not judgmental.

**DONNA:** Not judgmental. He didn't look at me like I was trash because the guy told me, he said, "You're nothing but trash. Nobody will ever want you." And when I saw those eyes, they just pierced my heart. And all of a sudden I handed the baby to him and I looked at him and I walked away and he smiled and I smiled and I turned and walked away. Well, when you have a vision, sometimes I don't know about you, if you've ever had visions or dreams, you try to figure it out. So you try to put your little take. So my little take was, is I'm putting this baby up for adoption, that's exactly, I'm giving the baby to the Lord. So I'm just putting him up for adoption.

**DONNA:** I go to sleep that night and I wake up and I have a pass to go back to Georgia to visit my mom. My mother picked me up and we go to sleep that night. We talk, we talk about how the ride was and some different things. And we go to bed and we get up and she wants to go to breakfast. And so she said, "Let's go to breakfast," and she said, "But, first I want to take you to the furniture store up around the corner from us."

**DONNA:** And she said, "I got something to show you." And so I get to the furniture store and we're in the furniture store and we're looking around. And as we're looking around, I'm just looking at different furniture. And she said, "Donna, come back here." And so I went back there and she's standing next to a crib. And she goes, "What do you think?" And honestly Sid, I thought it was a trick question. I honestly thought it was a trick question. And I looked at her and

I didn't know what to think. And as I looked at her, she looked at me and she said, "Donna, God's told me I'm to do whatever I can to help you raise this baby." And that moment, was the beginning of not only restoration in my life. I had had that encounter with Jesus. And at that point I realized, first of all, I realized Jesus was real.

**DONNA:** He was real to me. And then, that moment with my mom, I began to see the pieces. I lived my life with feeling like there was like rubber bands around me, just tight, so tight. And I was so bound. I was bound by guilt. I was bound by shame. I was bound by just all the garbage the enemy would... I was no good. I was trash. I was never going to amount to anything, never. And at that moment, he started breaking off those pieces, breaking off those rubber bands, they just started snapping, just started snapping.

**SID:** You needed, and you can picture this, she needed assurance that her two babies that were murdered in the womb, ended up in heaven. You can understand that. God is so good. What happened?

**DONNA:** I was translated. And I know the difference between a vision, translation and dreams. And I happened to be in Jacksonville, Florida with a small group of women. And we were just at a little place worshipping and I was on this couch. And next thing I know, I'm sitting on this park bench and I'm telling you, Sid, this park bench was unlike any kind of park bench I'd ever seen. There was gold. I was so taken with this park bench. And then I happened to look up and you can't describe the colors and having things are so beautiful.

**DONNA:** But what I notice is a little girl and a little boy, they come running up to me and as they're running up to me, they climb up in my lap. And as they come up in my lap, they start kissing me one on one cheek and one on the other cheek. And they start telling me, "We love you, mommy. We love you, mommy. We love you." They said, "We forgive you," or they said, first of all, they said, "We forgive you, mommy. We forgive you, mommy. We forgive you." Then they said, "We love you, mommy. We love you, mommy. We love you." And they said, "We'll see you again." And then instantly I was back on that couch.

**SID:** Those of you that have had abortions, those of you that have had trauma, those of you that are living in shame and guilt or regret for anything, today is your day of freedom, be right back.

*We'll be right back to **It's Supernatural**.*

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*We now return to **It's Supernatural**.*

**SID:** Donna, you say we don't have to live in regret, but yet we've done some horrible things. We know we're forgiven, but why do you say we don't have to live in it?

**DONNA:** Because Sid, it's okay to regret the choices that we've made. It's okay to regret some decisions that we've made, but we don't have to live in that regret. We don't have to live in the pain of our regrets. I regret not standing up and saying, "No, I don't want to go through this. I

don't want to have an abortion." I regret my abortions, but I'm not living in that regret. I'm not living in that pain. I've been set free from that. The scripture that just comes to me is Romans 8:1, "For there is therefore now, no condemnation, no condemnation." You talk about an experiential knowledge. When I had that experiential, that moment with Jesus, his love, that scripture to me, nothing that the enemy says to me, I received because I know now exactly what that scripture means.

**DONNA:** That means whatever the devil's trying to condemn you of, whatever the lie the devil's trying to tell you, you don't have to receive it, he's trying to condemn you. And God has freed you. He freed you on the cross. When Jesus went to the cross, that choice you made, went to the cross with him. That decision you made, the sin you've been in, anything. And God wants you to know that you are not condemned. He nailed those sins to the cross. Don't let the regrets of your past determine your future.

**SID:** Say this prayer with me and open yourself up to experiential knowledge of God. Out loud. Repeat after me, dear God...

**DONNA:** Dear God.

**SID:** I'm a sinner.

**DONNA:** I'm a sinner...

**SID:** For which I'm so sorry.

**DONNA:** For which I'm so sorry.

**SID:** I believe...

**DONNA:** I believe.

**SID:** The blood of Jesus.

**DONNA:** The blood of Jesus.

**SID:** Is enough...

**DONNA:** Is enough.

**SID:** To wash away every bad thing I've ever done.

**DONNA:** To wash away every bad thing I've ever done.

**SID:** And in God's sight...

**DONNA:** In God's sight.

**SID:** He remembers my sins no more.

**DONNA:** He remembers my sins no more.

**SID:** Jesus, come live inside of me.

**DONNA:** Jesus, come live inside of me.

**SID:** I make you my savior.

**DONNA:** I make you my savior.

**SID:** And my Lord.

**DONNA:** And my Lord.

**SID:** Amen.

**DONNA:** Amen.

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**SID:** Next week on *It's Supernatural*.

**Cindy Jacobs:** These are crazy times, but these are very exciting times. Did you know that you have a place in heaven's agenda for this time? I'm Cindy Jacobs. Join me on the next, *It's Supernatural* with Sid Roth and get ready to rise up and take your place.

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