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C. Elijah Bronner: What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special?

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And now for Healing Acts Part 9, Special Miracles.

C. Elijah Bronner: Well, thank you for joining Brothers of the Word because brother you need the Word. We welcome all of you joining us by television and those of you joining us online at BrothersoftheWord.com or social media. Welcome to today's service. Always a wonderful delight to have you to tune in and join us.

Well, I would like to share just a little humor. One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex staring up at a large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church and the plaque was covered with names and small American flags were mounted on both sides of it. The seven-year-old had been staring at the plaque for some time. And so, the pastor walked up and stood beside him and said quietly "Good morning Alex." "Good morning Pastor" replied the young man still focused on the plaque. "Pastor McGee, 'what is this?'" Alex asked. "Well son, it's a memorial to all the men and women who have died in the service. Soberly, they stood together staring at the large plaque and little Alex's voice was barely audible when he finally managed to ask which one the 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.?"

We are sharing in the Book of Acts. This is part 9 of a series, we've entitled "Healing Acts" and today I want to entitle this one "Special Miracles." It's Acts 19 something that we looked at last time, Acts Chapter 19:11 and 12. The Book of Acts 19:11 and 12. Acts 19 11 says and "God wrought or worked special miracles by the hands of Paul so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons and the diseases departed from them and the evil spirits went out of them. So we're talking about a special miracle, special miracles. As we said last time, this word 'special' means unusual miracles. Means quite out of the ordinary, means extraordinary, means over and above the ordinary, means uncommon or a little extra.

And so God did special miracles by the hands of Paul and this says to us that you are special. You are special. He didn't want to just do any kind of miracle. He wanted to do a special miracle. He wanted to do special miracles and God is saying that his people are special. His people are special. He didn't want to do ordinary miracles for his people. He wanted to do special miracles. You are special. If you don't have a mask on, I would tell you to turn to your neighbor and tell him "you are special." But since you are masked up, don't worry about it.

You are special and this is the Holy Spirit saying to us that you are special and God would do special things for you. You are special. God will do special things for you. I love something that Kenneth Copeland said. Kenneth Copeland said God doesn't love you because you are special, you are special because God loves you. You're special because God loves you, you're special and that's why he did special miracles. God wants to do special miracles for us because we are special and we are special because of his love because he loves us so much. We are special and he wants to do special things for us. This miracle shows us that God can express his love for us in so many unique creative ways, so many unique creative ways.

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God can express his love for us in ways we've never experienced before. Things we've never seen before. Whoever would have thought to wrap a rag around somebody's head and that would be the means for healing. Well God wanted to do something special, something that was creative, something that was unique never been done before. Whoever would have thought tying a towel around your waist that would bring healing for somebody but God wanted to do something special. No one had ever seen or heard or experienced before. But God is just letting us know that he can love us in so many unique special creative ways.

Keep your eyes open for special ways in which God wants to reveal his love to you. Keep your eyes open, keep your eyes open for special ways, just special little ways that God wants to reveal his love to you. Keep your eyes open. God has fun revealing his love to us in special ways. God has new, he has creative ways of making an impact in our lives, and he also uses us to make a special impact in the lives of others. So just as God expresses

his love to you in special ways because you're special. He also uses you to love people in special ways.

I want you to see this. This is really an expression and manifestation of God's glory, his grace. I want you to see something now. Paul had handkerchiefs. He had aprons. Remember last week I said some of them were simply bandanas and these were not Paul's. Paul didn't own these cloths. People who knew sick people would take a sick person's handkerchief and they would take it to Paul and then Paul would wrap it around his head and wear it while he worked or they would take a towel or some garment or apron he would put it on while he worked. So these were individual articles that belong to people who were sick.

And I want you to see this. God put his power in their handkerchief. God put his power in their towel. God put his power in their scarf. What was God saying? You're special to me? I'll put it in your scarf. I'll put it in your bandana. I'll put it in your towel. Can you imagine the sick people getting that back? You mean God's power is in my towel? Yes, it's in your towel because he loves you that much. You're special. He'll put it in your scarf. He'll put it in your hat. If they have masks back in those days, he would have put it in the mask.

He'd put it in your mask, in your towel, in yours just to show you that you are special. These articles belonged to different people who were sick and it was their articles that the power of God went into to let them know that I love you so much. I'll put my power in your scarf, in your handkerchief, in your apron, in your towel just to say you were special to me and I'll put it in that which is yours to individualize you and to mark you as special. Yes, I'll release my power into your life.

We are special to God. He loves us and that makes us special and so that's why God wanted to do something special through the hands of Paul because you're special and God does special things for you. God does special things for me. We are so special. We have no idea how special we are and God does special things for us and then God uses us to express his love in special ways to others. I have a question for you. What can you do?

Remember we said the word 'special' means uncommon. What can you do means out of the ordinary, means extraordinaire? What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special? What are some unusual ways to make people feel special? This is the question the Holy Spirit asked us through the manifestation that God works special miracles not ordinary, special. He did something special because we are special. What are some out of the ordinary ways you can make people feel special? What are some unusual ways you can make people feel special?

AV(ph), if you can show the first video. This is a teacher who figured out how to make his students feel special.

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Notice that God works special miracles through the hands of this teacher, special miracles. What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special? What are unusual ways to make people feel special? Notice, he had a different handshake for each of his students. Those are not the same handshake. He memorized each student and they choreographed the hand, a special handshake just for that one student and he learned one for each and every student. It was God working through his hands something special to make those kids feel special.

God worked through his hands, special miracles. What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special, unusual ways to make people feel special? AV if you can show the picture. This is a picture of my niece. This was a few years ago. This is her husband-to-be and he took her on a helicopter ride and when they landed he got down on one knee and proposed. I like that. I thought that was unique. I thought it was out of the ordinary. I thought it was uncommon.

What can you do to make people feel special? What are unusual ways you can make people feel special? AV, if you can show the third video, this is another man who was proposing to his wife and his wife to be happened to be a helicopter pilot.

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What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special, unusual ways to make people feel special? God worked special miracles by the hands of Paul. What can you do out of the ordinary? What can you do that's uncommon to make people feel special?

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AV, can you play the next video? This is a video of a doctor who found a way to do something uncommon to make his patients feel special.

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Unusual ways to make people feel special. God work special miracles by the hands of Paul. God does special things for us because we are special. God uses us to do special things, to show people in special ways that they are special. What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special? What are unusual ways to make people feel special? There's a prayer that you can pray and it's a simple prayer. You can simply say Lord give me an extraordinary way to love my spouse or Lord give me an extraordinary way to love my kids. Lord give me an extraordinary way to make someone feel special.

God works special miracles by the hands of Paul. God is still doing special miracles through our hands. If we would avail ourselves, just praying to Father, give me an extraordinary way to make my wife feel special. Father, give me an extraordinary way to make my husband feel special. Father, give me an extraordinary way to make my kids or my grandkids feel special. Father give me an extraordinary way to make a co-worker's feel special. Give me an extraordinary way to make my boss feel special. Give me an extraordinary way to make a total stranger feel special.

John Maxwell said he was playing golf one time and he said, as he was approaching the green on a particular hole. He said there were a group of groundskeepers, three or four guys standing under the oak tree working. They were working there and they were part of the maintenance crew that keep up the golf course, and so a lot of times when you're playing golf the crew will move to the side while you're playing the hole so they don't get hit by the ball.

So they'll get out of the way and they're moving. So this crew was standing on the tree as they were still preparing their work and John said that he walked over to them and he said he reached in his wallet he gave each of them a hundred dollars and he said I just want you guys to know that I see you. I appreciate you, I honor you. I want you to know you mean the world to me and I honor your work and your sacrifice. You have the golf course looking great. I love you guys. Keep up the good job.

What was that? That was an unusual, uncommon way. Uncommon way making someone he didn't even know feel special. God uses us. God work special miracles through the hands of Paul and God still work special miracles in our lives to show us that we're special. But also through us that we can show other people that they are special. That they are loved that. They are appreciated. We can honor them in unusual, uncommon ways. We can honor them in uncommon ways. AV, if you can play the next video. This is a cancer patient who has to get his head shaved for his cancer treatment and I want you to see what the barbers in the shop did.

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What can you do out of the ordinary to make people feel special, unusual ways to make people feel special? They all shaved their heads to show that young man that he was special that they love him. They supported him and they were with him. He would not be alone. He didn't have to feel bad because they would all do it together. What can you do that's uncommon to make someone else feel special? What can you do that's extraordinary to show someone that they are special?

God is still working miracles, special miracles through our hands today. God is working special miracles through our hands. God is working special miracles. What can you do out of the ordinary to make someone feel special, unusual ways to make people feel special? God worked unusual special miracles by the hands of Paul. The Holy Spirit just kept repeating that to me and I said Holy Spirit, I see exactly what you're saying you are working special miracles through our hands to make people

feel special because they special to you and you use us to make sure people know that they are loved.

That they are supported that they are care for and that they are special in your sight. You use our hands to do miracles today. I saw it clearly. I said, I see it, Holy spirit. Thank you for showing it to me. What can we do out of the ordinary that's uncommon to show people, to make people feel, to know that they are special.

I close with this. There was a woman. She was a teacher and I believe it was New York City. And she had a graduating class and they were getting ready for graduation. She said I want to do something before you all graduate. I want you all to do one final assignment and she called it the Blue Ribbon assignment and she brought out boxes full of blue ribbons. And she said I want each student -- She first of all pinned the blue ribbon on each student and she said you are special.

She said who you are makes a difference. I honor you with this blue ribbon and then she gave each student three blue ribbons. So she said, I want you to go out and honor somebody same way I did you and I want you to give them the additional two ribbon so that they can honor someone and then that person can honor and they just pay it forward. So she did that with all the students in this graduating class. One of the students he went to a junior executive at a company. He put the blue ribbon on the young junior executive and he said "Sir, you're special to me. I honor you who you are makes a difference." Then he gave him two more ribbons. And he said "please, pay it forward and honor someone and then give them the final ribbon so that they can honor someone."

And the junior executive, he thought about it for a moment and he decided to honor his boss. He had a rough boss but he decided to honor his boss. He went into his boss's office and he pinned the blue ribbon on him. He says "Sir, I want to honor you. I want you to know you're special, who you are makes a difference. I appreciate the opportunity that you've given me. I appreciate the support. I appreciate this place. I appreciate your ideals and your vision. I appreciate you for caring and I honor you as a special person, a person of significance and who you are makes a difference." And he said "Sir, before I go if you don't mind if you will take this last ribbon and if you will pay it

forward and you will honor someone.” The boss took the ribbon and he went home that day and when he got home he decided that he will honor his son.

He had a son that was about 14 or 15 years old. He went up to his son’s room and he went in, the son was sitting on the bed. He said “Son, I want to honor you” and he placed the blue ribbon on his son’s shirt, hugged him and he said “I love you and you are special and who you are makes a difference. I honor you and I appreciate you.” He said “I know I don’t tell you enough. I’m always fussing at you about your grades and I’m always getting on you about cleaning your room, but I want you to know that I love you and you are special and I honor you and who you are makes a difference. I’m proud of you.”

His son broke down and began to cry and weep and he said “Dad tomorrow, I was going to commit suicide because I didn’t think that you loved me. I didn’t think I was enough. I didn’t feel loved” and he said “Tomorrow after school, I was going to commit suicide.” He said “you just saved my life.” What can you do out of the ordinary? What can you do that is uncommon? Show people that they’re special. How can you honor people? Let them know who they are makes a different. How can you work special miracles? How can God work special miracles through your hands to show someone that they are special who they are special?

They are loved by God, praise God. God worked special miracles through the hands of Paul. And God is working special miracles through our hands. Praise God. Amen. Those of you who are watching us by television, I want you to go to [BrothersoftheWord.com](http://BrothersoftheWord.com). You can listen to this series in its entirety absolutely free of charge. You can also email it to a friend and we appreciate you for being with us. Thank you for joining us today at Brothers of the Word because brother you need the Word.

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