

How Greg Laurie's 'Crazy, Chaotic' Childhood Paved the Way for His Powerful Conversion

Pastor Greg Laurie, founder of Harvest Crusade and Harvest America and the pastor of Harvest Christian Fellowship in Riverside, California, once had a “crazy, chaotic” childhood, but a chance encounter with the gospel set him on course to become one of the most transformative pastors of the modern era.

Laurie, who has traveled the nation to deliver the gospel to massive audiences in recent decades and who authored the book *Jesus Revolution: How God Transformed an Unlikely Generation and How He Can Do It Again Today*, recently shared his own personal conversion story during an appearance on 's “Pure Talk.”

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“[I had a] crazy, chaotic childhood, so when I was 17, I felt like I was 70,” Laurie said, explaining that his mother was an alcoholic. “I’d seen a lot of horrible things that a little boy shouldn’t see.”

Watch Laurie share his powerful story of coming to faith: