

BY KYLE BUCKETT WITH DAVE FRANCO

THE STEP

Navy SEAL Kyle Buckett has a decision to make. Death by IED or RPG.

Muskrat was my J-Tac, the guy who directs our air forces should we need support, and man, did we need support, pronto.

I looked at Muskrat who looked back at me with the most solemn face I had ever seen. "What's up?" I said.

He simply pointed to our feet.

I looked down at where we were kneeling shoulder to shoulder. It was unmistakable. Two wires coming out of the ground and going back in. We were standing on an IED. I looked at him and he looked back at me, both of us saying nothing. He certainly didn't need to tell me what was going on inside. It was the same thing that was going on in me. Both of us had been in many fights, running and gunning and shooting our way out of all kinds of situations. Cheating death was a part of what we did as SEALS, and we did it all the time. But now, holding still like two statues on this Afghani hillside, death by IED made no sense. "Like this?" I thought. "After all we've been through, we're going down like this?"

Time was running out...

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WHEN WE GATHER

SENIOR PASTOR, ROCK CHURCH **Miles McPherson**

A former defensive back with the San Diego Chargers, Miles is the Senior Pastor of Rock Church and founder of DoSomethingChurch.org, a vibrant affiliation dedicated to establishing Pervasive Hope in their communities through proactive community service.

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THE PURSUIT

CHASING THE HEART OF GOD



GLOBAL EVENTS CALENDAR

February 4

Rock School of Ministry Spring Classes Begin | City Heights rockschoolofministry.com

February 7 and 8

Rock Academy Preview Days Feb 7 at 6pm or Feb 8 at 8:30am Point Loma | rockacademy.org

February 12

Business Leaders Breakfast 7-8:30am | City Heights sdrock.com/businessbreakfast

February 24

Global Baptisms After 12pm Service | All Campuses sdrock.com/baptism

May 16-18

Do Something Church Conference East County | dosomethingchurch.org

For more events and info, visit **sdrock.com/events**



FEBRUARY 12 | 7-8:30AM | CITY HEIGHTS

Business Leaders Breakfast

We aspire to be great leaders, but the question is how are you leading yourself? With guest speaker, Curtis Robinson, founder of LeadSelf, this Business Leaders Ministry breakfast will provide insight and tools for improving your self-talk.

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FEBRUARY 3

Super Bowl Sunday

There will be no 6pm serivce today at any Rock Church campus locations. We will see you next week at any of our four service times: 8am, 10am, 12pm, or 6pm.