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## **JOHN O'LEARY**

In 1987, John O'Leary was a curious nine-year-old boy. Playing with fire and gasoline, John created a massive explosion in his home and was burned on 100% of his body. He was given less than a 1% chance to live.

This epic story of survival (first showcased in 2008 with his parents' acclaimed book *Overwhelming Odds*) has never felt more relevant than as we live through the COVID-19 pandemic together. John inspires 50,000+ people at 100+ live and virtual events each year. He speaks to companies and organizations across industries, including sales, healthcare, safety, marketing, finance, faith, education and insurance. Consistently described as "the best speaker we've ever had," John receives nearly 100% of his engagements from referrals. His schedule is a testament to the power of his message; his emotional storytelling, unexpected humor, and authenticity make each presentation unforgettable.

John's genuine, collaborative approach to partnering allowed him to understand early that clients' biggest pain point in the wake of the fallout from the pandemic is team "burnout." To address this, John expanded his Live Inspired Coaching program to bring his keynote from inspirational to transformational. Early successes in the program have clients saying their teams are more focused, collaborative and engaged than ever. John is a two-time #1 National Bestselling author.

His first book *ON FIRE: The 7 Choices to Ignite a Radically Inspired Life* has sold 250,000+ copies and been translated into 12 languages. *IN AWE: Rediscover Your Childlike Wonder to Unleash Inspiration, Meaning and Joy* published in May 2020 with many saying it is the message we all need right now. John's award-winning Live Inspired Podcast has more than 2.5 million downloads and enjoys world-class guests like fellow WWSG speakers Brené Brown, Mitch Albom, and Shawn Achor.

John considers his greatest success to be his marriage to his wife Beth, their four children and his relationships with friends and family.