

JASON AUDITION SCRIPT v2

INT. GAME AREA - DAY

The room is full of kids enjoying various activities: board games, computers games, air hockey, etc. Jason enters the room with a basketball in his hands. He sees Mark seated by the window and crosses to him. (**NOTE: "BEAT" MEANS A PAUSE BEFORE SPEAKING.**)

JASON

Hey Mark, we're going to start up a game, you want to play? You can be on my team - and that of course means an automatic win.

Jason gives Mark a cheesy grin.

MARK

(slight laugh)
Yeah, right. I think I'll skip it.

Jason looks at Mark, he can tell something's wrong.

JASON

Okay Mark, what's up?

Jason takes a seat near Mark.

MARK

Nothing, I just don't feel like playing.

JASON

Nah, it's something else. You know how I can tell? You've been quiet all day and that's definitely not like you.

MARK

Funny.
(BEAT)
Coach put out the list for the soccer team today.

JASON

And?

MARK

I didn't make it.

JASON

Oh man, sorry Mark.

MARK

I'm just so....what was Coach thinking?! He put Davis on the team, Davis! He can barely keep up after the ball!

(sigh)

I don't get it Jason. I prayed and really believed God would help me, but he still left me hangin'. Why didn't he help me out, why didn't God answer my prayers?!

JASON

Who says God's not helping you out?

MARK

Okay, did you hear anything I just said?

Jason nods with a supportive smile.

JASON

Yeah, I did.

(BEAT)

Okay, obviously you didn't make the team for a reason.

MARK

-Ouch, thanks Jason.

JASON

Hear me out. God always wants the best for you and right now, he's giving you the chance to be the best you can be,

(slight laugh.)

If you stop being all offended and take it. Go to coach, talk to him. Ask him what you need to work on and how you can improve. I'm sure he'd help you out.

MARK

Well...I guess it can't hurt.

JASON

(BEAT)

Look, I know it's a bummer when things don't work out the way we want but that's when we have to trust that God has his reasons, that he knows what's best for us. He is the master of the universe and all.

MARK

I didn't think of it like that.
(slight laugh)
How did you get so wise all of a sudden?

JASON

(slight laugh)
My dad. He told me the same thing when I didn't make the baseball team last season.

Jason looks at Mark with a smile and tosses him the basketball.

JASON (CONT'D)

So, are you gonna sit around and mope all day or are you ready to see my skills on the court?