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“The Podcast: Sold Out For Jesus”

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What	“Sold Out for Jesus” is a dramatic sketch that explores how we view the choices we make for our future. Chad and Mary host a podcast “for teenagers” and “by teenagers” exploring areas of faith and life. When they invite Emily (the former podcast host) back as a special guest to hear about her new life as a college student, they engage in a conversation about how a person can truly discern God’s will for their life. Can your life be derailed if you make the wrong choice?
Who	2 female actors, 1 male actor
Why	Matthew 6:33, Proverbs 3:5-6
Time	Approximately 7 minutes

At Rise: We see three friends MARY, CHAD and EMILY, sitting around a table. MARY and CHAD are high school seniors, EMILY is in college studying to go into full time ministry but in high school they were friends. They are getting ready to record an episode of a podcast for their Youth Group, EMILY is back as a guest. Each has a microphone in front of them, CHAD also has a sound board with which he can control both the recording as well as play sound effects.

We arrive at this scene in the middle of them preparing to record. Mary and Chad are setting up the computer, adjusting microphones while Emily sits down and gets comfortable.

Emily:

I was so excited when you asked me to be a guest!

Chad:

You literally started this podcast it's hard to call you a guest [they laugh]

Mary:

How has your first semester of college been?

Emily:

It was really good! The classes have been hard but I really feel like they are preparing me to go into the ministry, but it's opened my eyes a lot to how I use to think about calling—

Mary:

Stop! Save it for the podcast [they laugh]

Chad:

Are we ready?

The three of them sit down, and Chad puts on headphones- Chad gives a 3, 2, 1 signal.

CHAD roles intro music. It's dramatic and hints that these students may take this podcast a little too seriously.

Mary:

(in character) We are back with another episode of “Sold Out for Jesus.” A podcast by youth and for youth who are ready to be serious about their faith...

Chad:

and maybe find some laughs along the way... I'm Chad Murray .

Mary:

and I am Mary Edelbrock and today we have a special guest... You may remember her as this podcast's first host and she is here on break from school to talk to us!

Chad:

Emily it is great to have you back with us... what are you doing in college?

Emily:

Hey everyone it is good to be back! I am majoring in Christian ministry and fingers crossed that I will be able to go into seminary after that!

Chad:

Alright, we always start out a guest with a rapid fire game of this or that

Mary:

Chad put 30 seconds on the clock...

MARY and CHAD will blow through the different "this" or "thats"– the actor playing EMILY can decide what EMILY would answer and answer accordingly.

Mary:

Beach or Mountains– Pepsi or Coke– Popeyes or Chick fil a– Bob the tomato or Larry the cucumber – books or movies

Chad:

City or Country– football or baseball– cake or cookie– Hulu or Netflix–

Mary:

Coffee or Tea– give up toothpaste or soap (*Emily reacts to the gross reality of either answer*)– High School Musical 1 or 2 – (*Emily doesn't get to answer, interrupted...*)

Chad:

Ummm Imma stop you right there High School Musical 3 had the best music and character development out of the trilogy...

Emily:

I didn't know you were such a connoisseur of high art.

Chad:

I see myself in Troy Bolton– get you a guy who can do both (*It could be weird music with a VO or "Chad's wisdom of the day"*)

Mary:

Chad...

Chad:

You said I was allowed to play that cue once per episode. I gotta make it count.

Emily:

I thought it was nice.

Chad:

Thank you.

Mary:

Anyways... Emily, it is great to have you. I was hoping we could get an update on how college is going because we all listened and were so invested as you went through the process of your college decision!

Emily:

Yes! I remember talking a lot about my choice to study Christian Ministry here on this podcast. It is going really well! I made a lot of friends and found a great church. Classes are hard, but I think that is a good thing!

Chad:

I am so glad it's going so well! It was a bit of a hard decision for you...tell us more about that.

Emily:

Yeah... so I had been offered a full ride scholarship to play volleyball at State and I was going to study exercise science because I always thought I was going to be a Physical Therapist. But I also had this side of me that loved ministry... I went back and forth on the decision and honestly lost a lot of sleep but I ended up choosing to go to a smaller christian college and study ministry!

Mary:

Before we started recording you said that this semester has changed how you think about "calling". Do you have any new tips or advice on accurately determining God's perfect calling on your life?

As EMILY talks MARY and CHAD get more uncomfortable

Emily:

[big exhale] Definitely not... I think back on how stressed I was trying to make my college decision and I just have so much compassion for my younger self. I really felt like if I made the wrong choice— whatever that means— that somehow my life would have been ruined. But the more I have spent reading and really being with God the more I realize that there was never a wrong choice.

MARY lunges forward and stops the recording.

Mary:

What are you saying?

Emily:

Why did you stop recording?

EMILY resumes the recording

CHAD stops the recording.

The three of them briefly battle over the recording button.