

Jesus Christ Intervention

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CAST

JESUS - 18

MARY - late 40's/early 50's

JOSEPH - late 40's/early 50's

(Jesus storms on stage. Followed closely by Joseph and Mary.)

JESUS

You don't even know me Joseph!

MARY

Jesus Don't call your father by his first name!

JESUS

Why not? he's not even my real dad!

MARY

He raised you and that counts for something.

JOSEPH

I care about you Jesus that's all.

JESUS

I'm getting sick and tired of living under this tyranny! You guys are the worst! I want to go live with real dad!

MARY

(Furious)

You can go live with real dad, when real dad pays the alimony check!

JESUS

You're gonna pull the old dead beat dad card! really?!

JOSEPH

We're getting off topic. Jesus you really need to take it easy with all the drinking it's affecting who you are!

JESUS

I'm not an alcoholic!

MARY

Oh really?! Pass me that glass of water then.

(Mary points toward table with glass of water sitting on it)

JESUS

No.

MARY

Why not?

JESUS

I...I just don't want to.

MARY

You don't want to or you're afraid you're going to turn the water into wine again?!

JESUS

(mumbling)

I'm afraid I'm gonna turn the water into wine again.

MARY

what was that?

JESUS

I'm afraid I'm going to turn the water into wine again!

MARY

That's all I needed to hear!

JESUS

That doesn't mean I'm an alcoholic! I'm just learning how to use my powers!

JOSEPH

Maybe turning water to wine doesn't make you an alcoholic, but drinking that wine in large quantities certainly does!

JESUS

C'mon Joseph, you never had a few wild nights with the fellas? Like, I'm sorry that I have such a solid friend group in the disciples.

MARY

Jesus Christ! I don't want another incident like last time!

JESUS

Refresh my memory on what happened last time?

MARY

Judas drank so much wine, that he almost had to get his stomach pumped!

JOSEPH

You know, your mother and I have discussed this and we don't like that Judas fellow. He just seems like the kind of person who might betray you.

JESUS

I believe, if my memory serves me correctly, that I healed him. Thanks to the powers that I was given... by REAL dad!

(looks at Joseph)

JOSEPH

You can't keep relying on your powers to bail you out.

JESUS

Mom. Joseph. Here's what you just don't understand: I'm the Messiah, the Lord and savior baby, the son of God... I was put here on this earth to improve the lives of others and offer hope!

MARY

It's that type of mentality thats going to get you killed!

JESUS

Hey, we've all gotta die at some point right?

MARY

Have you been seeing that girl again?

JESUS

Which one?

MARY

You know exactly which one I'm talking about!

JESUS

I don't know there's too many to count, am I right Joey?

(Raises eye brows to Joseph.)

JOSEPH

(Defeated)

I've actually never been with a woman... Not even your mother... someone else beat me to it!

MARY

I'm talking about that Mary Magdalene girl, she's a bad influence on you.

JESUS

Yeah, I 'm with her. What of it?

MARY

She's a prostitute!

JOSEPH

Mary don't call her that!

MARY

It's true! The boy needs to hear it!

JESUS

I'm evangelizing! Trying to save her soul! If I don't do it she'll be forced to live a life of sin!

MARY

Are you crossed?! Jesus H. Christ, if you don't start to shape up you could very easily head down the wrong path!

JESUS

And what if I told you I love her? What if I told you I was an alcoholic? Would you not love me anymore?!

MARY

I'll love you no matter what... you're my son.

JOSEPH

I'll still love you too... even though you're not technically my son.

MARY

We just care about you Jesus that's all.

JESUS

Sometimes it doesn't feel like that.

MARY

We just want you to do your best!

JESUS

A little less pressure would be nice, like the stuff that I do that you think is bad: like drinking and being in love with a prostitute, isn't nearly as bad as what other kids my age are doing.

JOSEPH

You're a great kid Jesus, I'm sorry if we don't tell you that as much as we should.

JESUS

I love you guys... even you Joseph.

MARY

We love you too son.

(group hug)

JESUS

Is it alright If I go hang out with Mary Magdalene?

MARY

Uhhhhh.

JOSEPH

Mary let the boy go.

JESUS

Thanks guys.

(Jesus walks out and offstage.)

JOSEPH

Maybe our little guy isn't so bad after all.

(Mary and Joseph begin walking off stage.)

MARY

I just hope he leaves his mark on the world for years to come.

JOSEPH

So, do you think we could finally try making love tonight?

(Joseph and Mary exit stage.)

(Blackout.)