

Creator And The Commencement

FADE IN:

EXT. SCHOOL WITH SIGN - DAY

BRIGHT SPRINGTIME MORNING. CRANE DOWN TOWARD SCHOOL SIGN THEN MERGE TO ESTABLISHING SHOT OF OUTSIDE OFFICE WINDOW.

ACLU LAWYER (V.O.)
...allowing Christy to pray during
her graduation is a violation of
separation of Church and State.

CHRISTY'S DAD (V.O.)
Well, that's not quite accurate.

INT. CONFERENCE ROOM IN SCHOOL -- DAY

At a TABLE sits eighteen year old CHRISTY, and her FATHER on one side, and the ACLU LAWYER and his client BICK on the other. In the middle is Mr. JOHNSON, the Principal.

THROUGH THE WINDOW BEYOND, TEENAGEERS WALK, READ AND CONVERSE. ESTABLISHING INSIDE SHOT HIGH RIGHT OF TABLE. FATHER'S HAND CAN BE SEEN MOVING WHILE HE TALKS.

CHRISTY'S DAD (V.O.)
The Supreme Court ruled that teachers
and school officials cannot initiate

CUT TO MEDIUM SHOT OF FATHER FROM FRONT OF TABLE LEFT SIDE.

CHRISTY'S DAD (V.O.) (CONT'D)
Or lead prayer at school functions--
but students can.

CUT TO MEDIUM SHOT OF BICK AND LAWYER FROM FRONT OF TABLE RIGHT SIDE AND AS HE TALKS PAN/DOLLY FROM LEFT TO RIGHT

BICK
(to ACLU LAWYER)
I don't believe in their Jesus, and I
won't listen to anyone pray to him.

MR. JOHNSON
Look, we're just trying to teach
kids. We don't want to go to court.

CHRISTY'S DAD (V.O.)
Excuse me?

MR. JOHNSON
Mr. Robinson?

(CONTINUED)

CHRISTY'S DAD (V.O.)

I think we ought to hear what Christy
has to say.

All eyes turn expectantly/accusingly to Christy. She lifts
her head, and with a clear, quiet voice replies.

CUT TO CLOSE SHOT OF CHRISTY LOOKING DIRECTLY INTO CAMERA.

CHRISTY

All I want to do is thank God.

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