

HOMETOWN GIRL

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: Desperate to get his 40 year-old son married off, a man takes a cue from Abraham and sends his intern out to find a bride for his son.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: This skit can be shortened at the point indicated in the script where the main joke—the fact that Deanna is a waitress—is paid off. This moment is indicated with an asterisk (*).

Ending the skit there is a good lead in to the story of Isaac and Rebekah. Alternatively, the complete script can be performed for a Valentines event or any other event discussing dating, singleness, marriage, or finding God's will.

TIME: 8 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 3M, 1F

THEME: Dating; Marriage

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Genesis 24

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Illustration; Singles Event

CHARACTERS:

Jim— desperate dad, mid 60's

Dave— Jim's intern, 24

Bernie— Jim's slacker son, 40

Deanna— a waitress, 34

PROPS: A nice desk, chairs

COSTUMES: Suits for Jim and Dave, jeans and a T-shirt for Bernie, a waitress uniform for Deanna

SOUND: Wireless microphones (optional)

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A fancy home office

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*The setting is a nice home office with a desk and chairs. DAVE stands by the desk.
JIM is down center.*

JIM: I can't believe it's finally happening. At long last, my son is going to get married. I've waited a long time for this day. Forty years, in fact. Can't believe it took this long. He was such a handsome devil back in high school. So popular with the ladies. I never dreamed he'd be single for four decades. Matter of fact, I figured he'd be married and divorced three times over. That's the thing about kids, though. They never turn out the way you expect, right?

DAVE: I wouldn't know, sir. I don't have any.

JIM: How old are you again?

DAVE: Twenty four.

JIM: And no kids?

DAVE: I only got married three months ago.

JIM: You'll get there, Dan.

DAVE: Dave.

JIM: Dave, right. Dave. So where did you find her?

DAVE: Where you told me, in your home town.

JIM: No kidding. A real Jasper, Indiana girl.

DAVE: The real deal.

JIM: Good family?

DAVE: Seems to be. Two brothers, mom and dad married thirty years.

JIM: Baptists?

DAVE: Christian Church.

JIM: Meh. Well, beggars can't be choosers. The Lord's provided my boy a wife.

DAVE: Oh he definitely did.

JIM: So how did you find her?

DAVE: Well, sir, you know how you said you were inspired to send me back to your home town to find a wife after reading the story of Isaac and Rebekah?