

THE PIZZA

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: Buddy just got hired at a pizza joint, but Buddy doesn't realize that he's not really an employee unless he also does the work required.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: The script references the fictional "Pizza World," but if you have access to an actual pizza uniform from a national or local company, feel free to change it.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 1M, 1F

TOPIC: Serving Christ, Christian Living

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: James 2:14-26

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Seeker Services; sermon starter

CHARACTERS:

BUDDY

BUDDY'S MOM

PROPS: A couch, coffee table, pizza box, cell phone

COSTUMES: A pizza delivery uniform

SOUND: Wireless mics if desired;

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A small living room

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A couch is set up on stage with a coffee table in front of it. Buddy is sitting on the couch, talking on his phone. A pizza box is on the coffee table.

BUDDY: I know, can you believe it? He hired me right on the spot... Yes he did! He gave me a shirt and a hat... No, I have my own car, but they gave me a big decal to stick on the driver's door so everyone knows, I work for Pizza World... Huh? Well sure, I can get you a discount. I work for Pizza World, right? (laughs)

Mom enters.

BUDDY: Hey, I gotta go, Mom's home... Okay, Uncle Frank, talk to you soon.

Buddy hangs up. He stands up, smiling.

MOM: Buddy?

BUDDY: Mom, I got the job!

MOM: Oh my boy! I'm so proud of you.

Mom hugs Buddy.

BUDDY: Thanks, Mom.

MOM: I told you! I told you if you went in, he would hire you!

BUDDY: You were right!

MOM: Look at you. You've got a Pizza World hat and a Pizza World shirt.

BUDDY: And a big, magnetic decal on my car!

MOM: And look! You even brought dinner home.

BUDDY: That? Oh no, that's not for us. That's for...

Buddy picks up the box.

BUDDY: Ted Cortolillo.

MOM: Ted Cortolillo? Who's that?

BUDDY: I dunno. Some guy who likes pineapple, green peppers and ham. Blech, that sounds awful.

MOM: Buddy, why is this pizza here?

BUDDY: Angelo gave it to me.