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MALE (V.O.):

VOWS

MEMORY FLASH - CHURCH - DAY

A BRIDE and GROOM engage in a long, passionate kiss before a cheering CROWD. When they eventually unlock lips they turn and head down the aisle, revealing to be the young couple, JOSIAH and RUE.

BACK TO APARTMENT

As the now apparent voice of Josiah continues, a photo of the intimate tonsil hockey sits among a slew of WEDDING PICS. One in particular being of the lovers sharing pieces of cake.

MEMORY FLASH - FELLOWSHIP HALL - DAY

JOSIAH (V.O.):

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Josiah takes a bite of cake his, now, wife feeds him as he meticulously approaches her mouth with a piece. As she begins to bite down he SHOVES it in causing it to crumble all over her. The crowd roars. She SNATCHES UP another piece and CRASHES it into his face. They both burst into laughter.

BACK TO APARTMENT

RUES voice takes over. The last wedding picture of the bunch is of the couple standing on the church steps, facing their guests.

RUE (V.O.):

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10 EXT. HIGH SCHOOL - DAY

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START

Josiah hangs around outside the gym. TEENAGERS scurry every which way, getting the heck out of dodge for the day. He notices any and every STUDENT resembling Jesse.

A man in gym shorts and a school T-shirt, SAP 30s, comes out of the gym and up to Josiah, catching him off guard.

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SAP:

Sir I'm getting reports of a weird
dude starring down children.

Josiah takes a split second to register what is happening. He
sticks a hand out when he sees who it is.

SAP:

What's up buddy.

JOSIAH:

Hey man.

They shake.

SAP:

He ain't come out yet?

JOSIAH:

I haven't seen him.

SAP:

He'll walk right by here when he does.

JOSIAH:

How's he been?

SAP:

Same lazy self in my class. Haven't
heard any problems otherwise. The kids
keep tryin' to get him to play. He
ain't having it.

Josiah has no follow up questions. Neither talks for a few
beats. A couple of JESSES that know Josiah pass by. They
exchange pleasantries.

SAP:

Hey you know we cooking out next
Sunday right?

JOSIAH:

Huh? Yeah yeah. Rue's got it on the
calendar. Want anything specific for
your bday?

SAP:

Nah. Just give me some money. I can
always use it.

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JOSIAH:
Yeah me too brother.

They share a laugh.

SAP:
(points)
Aye there's your boy.

Across the parking lot comes Jessie, slugging along headed their way. He shows no specific emotion upon seeing the two men waiting on him.

JOSIAH:
Jesse what's up man?

He just shrugs.

JOSIAH:
How you been? Been a minute since I seen you.

JESSE:
Alright.

Sap cannot stand the awkwardness.

SAP:
Aight. Imma leave you two to it. Gotta get to practice. I'll see ya bro.
(pats Josiah's shoulder)
Jesse.

JOSIAH:
Alright. Preciate it.

STOP

JESSE:
See ya Coach.

JOSIAH:
So I uh, just came to let you know you can come back to the center today.

JESSE:
Yeah I know.

JOSIAH:
Oh. You want a ride then?

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