

Episodic Drama – Episode One

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Purpose: to help students to explore who they are and to begin to discover that they are special to God. An introduction to all characters and them getting to know each other. Set up relationships or the lack thereof.

Scene opens on a coffee shop. April is busy behind the counter, wiping it down, moving supplies, wiping coffee cups. She is wearing an apron. Seated at a table on the far side of the café is Nate. He is totally in his own world and working/playing on the computer and listening to music with head phones. His body posturing suggests someone who is totally closed off and who does not want to be bothered. When people enter the café, he doesn't even look up. He has a cup of coffee and a snack of some sort that he nibbles on from time to time.

April: Hey Nate, you okay over there? Need a refill? *(he doesn't hear her)* Nate!
(waves her arms to try to get his attention and finally just walks over to him and removes one of his earphones.) Nate!

Nate: *(he jumps like he's been shot.)* What?

April: Do you need a refill or anything?

Nate: Nah. *(Shrugs and shakes his head.)*

April: Okay. You just let me know if you change your mind.

April continues her work crossing back to the coffee bar, setting out pictures or brochures about the coffee that she sells. She looks up as two girls enter the café. They are Addie and Cate and they are laughing hysterically at something that one of them said to the other.

Cate: Hey April.

April: Hey Cate.....Addie. How's your day going?

Addie: Great, as always.

Cate: Hey April. You're going to be really busy soon because we just tweeted that we were coming here. *(Both girls laugh.)*

April: Okay, thanks for the heads up. What can I get you guys?

Cate: I'll have my usual and one of those blueberry scones.

April: Addie?

Addie: I'll have what Cate is having.