

UNUSUAL INHERITANCE

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Based on, if any

Address
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EXT. CITY STREET DAY

A Pink-Slip (Employee Release Form) takes up the Frame.

(Slowly, we Pull-back) to see --

CHRISTOPHER CANNON around 40, African-American male.

He looks up slowly-- (A BEAT)

A look of hurt, despair is on his face.

He walks slowly towards the park down the street.

EXT. PARK CONTINUOUS :

Looking around the Park at the beautiful scenery. (A BEAT)

His head goes down like he's crying.

He looks up, starts walking towards home.

EXT. CITY STREET CONTINUOUS :

Christopher, walking down the City side-walk, a few Homeless people are lined up along the way.

One of the homeless men ask for 50 cent, he keeps walking.

EXT. CITY STREET CONTINUOUS :

Christopher, still walking, under a tree, a HOMELESS MAN, Caucasian, late 60's, long gray hair, long gray beard--

HOMELESS MAN

Excuse me sir, can you spare a cup
of coffee ?

Before Christopher can say anything---

A voice is right behind him, it's RONALD, pretty boy African-American late 30's, with him is PATTY African-American late 30's very pretty lady, they're arm in arm.

RONALD

Well damn, you lose your job and
you're homeless already ?

CHRISTOPHER

Man, don't start.

RONALD

Just pitiful, you can't keep a job,
you can't keep a lady, damn man,
you might as well stay out here
with this trash.

Ronald and Patty look at both of them with disgust as they leave.

HOMELESS MAN

Don't pay them no mind, God don't
like ugly, they'll get what's
coming to them very soon, now what
about that coffee ?

Christopher looks at the homeless man, (A BEAT) he pulls out his wallet--

CLOSE ON THE WALLET :

Only a five dollar bill is in there.

The homeless man give's him the puppy-dog eyes.

Christopher sigh's in despair.

Christopher takes the five dollar bill out of his wallet and as he extends his hand to give him the money, a man walking by says-----

(Close Shots of each person walking by--)

MAN NO. 1

Trash !

MAN NO. 2

Gutter Punk !

WOMAN NO.1

Wino beggar !

MAN NO.3
Lazarus destitute !

WOMAN NO.2
You damn BUM !

Christopher looks hurt and shocked !
Looks at the Homeless man with sympathetic eyes. (A BEAT)

Extends the money to the homeless man--
He does not take it-- he point's across the street to the coffee shop--

HOMELESS MAN
The coffee, get you one too.

EXT. COFFEE SHOP CONTIUOUS :

As Christopher comes out of the coffee shop, a man dressed in a dark suit and tie with sun-glasses stares at him.

Christopher comes to the homeless man with two cups of coffee, gives him one.

HOMELESS MAN
Sit and join me.

Christopher hesitates (A BEAT) then, he sits besides the homeless man.

HOMELESS MAN
Ahh.. the change (Holds his hand out)

Christopher stares at him (A BEAT) then gives him the change from the five dollar bill.

HOMELESS MAN
What's your name ?

CHRISTOPHER
Christopher.

HOMELESS MAN
Christopher who ?

The homeless man cough's a few times. Then takes a sip of coffee.

CHRISTOPHER
Christopher Cannon.

HOMELESS MAN
Why thank you for the coffee
Christopher Cannon

CHRISTOPHER
What's your name ?

HOMELESS MAN
Christ.

CHRISTOPHER
Christ ? Like Jesus Christ ?

CHRIST
Yes.

Christopher stares and smiles at him. Christ coughs again.

CHRIST
This coffee is superior Christopher
Cannon, you saved me from going
thirsty today. You're my ST.
CHRISTOPHER. Do you know who St.
Christopher is ?

CHRISTOPHER
No.

CHRIST
St.Christopher is one of the most
popular Christian heroes of Faith.
He is listed as a Martyr by the
Vatican. Best known for spending
his life serving God and
interceding on behalf of the
faithful and especially the
children,a tremendous helpful
Angel, just like you.

CHRISTOPHER
I didn't do anything, its' just a
cup of coffee.

CHRIST
It's more than just a cup of coffee
to me Christopher Cannon. You saved
me. God must have sent you to me.

CHRISTOPHER

I don't think so.

CHRIST

Oh yes, God puts certain people in your life for a reason, and he sent me you. You're an Angel.

CHRISTOPHER

God needs to send me an Angel, I could really use one about now.

CHRIST

What has happen to you today Christopher Cannon?

CHRISTOPHER

Where do want me start ? I lose my job, I lose my family, I have no money, my bills are mounting up, I'm about to get evicted.(sigh's)

CHRIST

(He coughs) You know, people say, you never know who you could encounter or who you could be talking to, cause that person could be your Angel right in front of your face.

CHRISTOPHER

I've got a world of problems in my face right now. The only thing that can save me is a miracle. So do you have one of those Angels around anywhere I could borrow?

CHRIST

Pray for an Angel Christopher Cannon. God will send you one. There's this famous poem called Angels Always There, it says, Whenever I'm in fervent prayer, I feel Gods holy angels there. Protective, loving, and serene, who stay nearby, tho yet unseen.

Christopher stares at Christ.

CHRISTOPHER

How do you stay so positive when
you're.....

CHRIST

Homeless, a bum, a vagabond,
banished. I have an Angel that
helps me in many ways. Just
because you don't see me with
silver and gold or material things
doesn't mean I'm not blessed, I'm
blessed with
love, compassion, sympathy and the
well-being of my fellow man.

CHRISTOPHER

I see why they named you Christ,
after all the things that put you
here, you still keep the faith.

CHRIST

You should keep the faith too,
Christopher Cannon. You're not the
only one with problems. Look at all
these people....

We go through a series of shots of the people in the City.

CHRIST (CONT'D)

Most of them are going through the
same thing you are, but they
continue to smile and keep the
faith that everything will be
alright. (He cough's)

CHRISTOPHER

But it's so hard, you try to do the
right thing and still its not
enough.

CHRIST

Maybe you're not praying enough,
you know prayer changes things.

CHRISTOPHER

Yeah, I need prayer to change my
whole life.

CHRIST

That's what prayer does.

CHRISTOPHER

Can it get my family back, can it
get me money in my pockets.

CHRIST

Yes it can, just pray and keep the
faith.

CHRISTOPHER

Well thank you Christ for the
inspiration and all, but I got to
go. I got to figure out how I'm
going to get out of this mess I'm
in.

Christopher gets up, dust his pants off. Christ coughs
again.

CHRISTOPHER (CONT'D)

Hey, you're a good man, if I see
you again I'll buy you another cup
of coffee. Take care of yourself
Christ.

As Christopher turns to leave....

CHRIST

Keep your head up Christopher
Cannon, my Angel tells me things
will get better for you. My Angel
wants you to pray about it.

CHRISTOPHER

I will Christ.

Christopher turns and walks away .

Christ smiles and looks over to the man in the suit and tie.

Christ nods his head--

The man in the suit and tie nods back and pulls out a cell
phone to make a call.

EXT. CITY STREET DAY

SUPER : A FEW DAYS LATER

A newspaper want-ads employment section takes up the frame.

(Slowly, we pull back) to see--

Christopher Cannon holding the newspaper.

He looks up slowly.

A look of frustration is on his face.

He balls the newspaper up looking for a trash can to toss it in.

Before he can do it, a voice.....the man in the suit and tie.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Christopher Cannon.

CHRISTOPHER
Yeah.

The man in the suit and tie extends his hand to shake, they shake hands.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Christopher Cannon, I'm here to
present you with your part of the
inheritance of THE ANGEL
ELECTRONICS CORPORATION.

CHRISTOPHER
What ?

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Your inheritance of the Angel
Electronics Corporation.

CHRISTOPHER
I don't understand, what you
talking bout man ?

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Come over here, let me explain.

They walk over to the spot where Christopher and Christ were.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Do you remember being here a few days ago and talking to a homeless man named Christ ?

CHRISTOPHER
Yeah.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Well, that man was not homeless, he was CHRIST ANGEL, CEO and FOUNDER of ANGEL ELECTRONICS, a multi-BILLION DOLLAR CORPORATION.

CHRISTOPHER
HOLY SHIT !! What the hell he doing this homeless shit for !

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
An act of kindness, and you showed him the up-most of generosity.

CHRISTOPHER
Holy shit ! Where is he ?

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Mr. Angel passed a few days ago.

CHRISTOPHER
What !

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
Mr. Angel died of Cancer. He put you in his Will.

CHRISTOPHER
Man, don't bull-shit me, what is going on here, is this real !

MAN IN SUIT & TIE
It's very real, Mr. Angel was very fond of you. You impressed him very much with your kindness and generosity. He wanted to help you with your problems.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE (CONT'D)

Here.....

The man in the suit and tie hands Christopher some papers...

MAN IN SUIT & TIE (CONT'D)

Here's a check stub for 70 million dollars that has been deposited into your bank account..... That is your account right.....

Christopher looks at it--

CHRISTOPHER

How did you know my bank account no.

MAN IN SUIT & TIE

Mr. Angel was a very powerful man. Also , here's the DEED to ANGEL MANOR, one of Mr. Angel's Mansions.

CHRISTOPHER

What !

MAN IN SUIT & TIE

Yes, it's all your's.

CHRISTOPHER

Oh my God, I don't.....

Christopher looks around and the Man in the suit and tie is gone.

Christopher looks down at the deed of the Mansion that takes up the frame.

(Slowly, we pull back) to see -- Christopher Cannon

Dressed in suit and tie----- he looks up slowly----

He smile's---

AND THE BEAUTIFUL MANSION TAKES UP THE FRAME. (A BEAT)

He smile's

BLACK SCREEN :

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