

## "BE A MAN"

FADE IN:

INT. HOUSE - BEDROOM - MORNING

THE MAN, around 40, short, fat and bald, American, is sleeping on the bed, wearing only his Chicago Bulls boxers. He smiles in his sleep.

THE MAN (V.O.)  
(lispng)  
Sometimes, life gets boring. Same  
story every day... It's a nightmare.

THE CLOCK turns 7:30 and rings annoyingly.

(NOTE: From this point forward, we don't hear any other sounds than the voice of The Man and his breath.)

The Man's smile vanishes. He opens his eyes and looks around, scared, as if he just had a nightmare.

INT. HOUSE - KITCHEN - MORNING

The Man, standing on a chair, all sweat, is stretching his hand, trying to reach at something.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
And you keep going. Why? 'Cause  
you have ideals, you have  
expectations, you have those high  
goals you're trying so hard to  
grasp.

PULL BACK to reveal that The Man is actually trying to grab the COFFEE BOX that's atop the cupboard. He touches it with his fingers.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
But sometimes, those goals can be  
too high and trying too hard to  
reach them can be dangerous.

The Man loses his balance and falls down, knocking the coffee box down also.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
However, in the end, all that  
matters is the result.

The Man, fallen on the floor, blood flowing from his nose, takes the coffee box fallen near him, opens it and sees--

It's empty.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
And the power to get up after a  
fall.

He gets up, walks nervously towards the door. He stops. He sees a NOTE on the fridge. It reads:

"We're out of coffee. Buy some  
when you get back. Don't be late!  
Kisses"

EXT. HOUSE - MORNING

The Man, wearing a black suit that just doesn't suits him, exits, locking the door behind him. His nose is bandaged.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
But still... Same story every day...  
Same faces...

As he walks down the street, he politely waves at his NEIGHBORS who greet him back.

EXT. BUS STATION - MORNING

The Man is standing near an OLD LADY who holds the leash of her DOG. She politely smiles at The Man, who politely smiles back at her.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
Same routine... It's like a movie  
you've seen a hundred times before  
and you know exactly what will  
happen.

The dog gets closer to The Man's foot and--

Peacefully urinates on The Man's pants.

The Man looks at the dog. Then, he looks at the Old Lady. She smiles at him. He smiles back at her.

THE MAN (V.O.) (CONT'D)  
And that is boring. Very boring.