



“SHOULD I STAY OR SHOULD I GO”

(part 4 of 4 part series)

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CAST

Joey LaFrance: (middle school boy wearing a basketball jersey)

Voice of God

SETTING: Boy's bedroom with puppet stage in the background.

(Joey comes into his room carrying a book about Africa. He sits down and begins to read)

(Joey's cell phone rings)

JOEY:

You've got Joey. *(Pauses)* Lord, it's You! I'm so glad You called. I'm going to Africa to be a missionary, just like You told me. *(Pauses)* What, put you on speaker phone? I don't think my cell phone has that feature.

GOD:

It does now. *(audible to the audience)*

JOEY:

(Joey mouths "Wow!")

GOD:

Can you hear Me now?

JOEY:

Yes, Lord. Loud and clear.

GOD:

Good. *(Pauses)* Joey –Joey –Joey ... I never said that you had to go to Africa to be a missionary. You automatically assumed that. I DID tell you though, to "Go and make disciples." But you can do that right here in town. I tried to tell you that yesterday, through Sandy and Bubba, but you were too busy singing "Oobee do, I wanna be like you-oo –oo" and you didn't hear Me. *(Pause)* Joey, I have a wonderful plan for your life and it may include going to Africa one day to be a missionary but for now, share the Good News about my Son where you are. You can witness to your friends right here in this neighborhood ... to your classmates in school and especially to your basketball teammates. *(Pauses)* Well, I've given you a lot to think about. I won't be calling your cell phone anymore, but don't worry ... I promise never to leave you. Because you've put your faith in Jesus Christ, my Holy Spirit is with you wherever you go. Stay close Joey and listen for Me in your heart. This concludes the audio portion of our program. Now go and make disciples Joey.

JOEY:

You bet Lord. Send them my way!

(Joey's cell phone ring and he quickly answers)

JOEY:

You've got Joey. Oh hey Jerry, what's up?*(Pauses)* Basketball practice isn't on Sunday 2

mornings anymore? It's been moved to Friday nights at 7:00? Good, now I don't have to miss church. *(Joey gets an idea)* Hey Jerry, why don't you come to church with me this Sunday. We've got this cool kid visiting from Africa and he'll be talking to our Sunday school class. You don't want to miss his stories. Plus, we'll be having all kinds of cake and cookies afterwards. Sure, I'll wait while you ask your mom *(Pauses and clasps hands in prayer)* You can come? Awesome! My parents will pick you up at 9 AM. See you then, bye.

(Joey looks up to heaven and says) Thank You, Lord.

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