

MY FAVORITE TEACHER
(First Edit)

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TITLE: AS HE PASSED BY,

FADE TO:

TITLE: HE SAW A MAN BLIND FROM BIRTH.

FADE TO:

TITLE: AND HIS DISCIPLES ASKED HIM,

FADE TO:

TITLE: "RABBI, WHO SINNED,

FADE TO:

TITLE: THIS MAN OR HIS PARENTS,

FADE TO:

TITLE: THAT HE WAS BORN BLIND?"

FADE TO:

TITLE: JESUS ANSWERED,

FADE TO:

TITLE: "IT WAS NOT THAT THIS MAN SINNED, OR HIS PARENTS,

FADE TO:

TITLE: "BUT THAT THE WORKS OF GOD MIGHT BE DISPLAYED IN HIM." JOHN 9:1-3

WHITE SCREEN
TRANSITION

2 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 2
Sounds of school children CU tilt of statue of Virgin Mary's
face down to Jesus.

3 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 3
RYAN
My favorite teacher...

4 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 4
Pan over a paintings on bulletin board to drawing of Mother
Theresa.

5 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX 5
ALEX
My favorite teacher?

6 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 6
Teacher teaching a class.

7 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 7
MADDY
I met my favorite teacher in
kindergarten grade.

8 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 8
Pan over colors or markers on a desk.

9 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 9
RYAN
My favorite teacher is funny. He
makes me laugh.

10 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 10
Ryan laughing.

11 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 11
TOMMY
My favorite teacher sings country
music with me.

12 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 12
MADDY
My favorite teacher is a phenomenal
trumpet player.

13 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 13
Pan across words on the bulletin board of music room - "Music
is the prayer the heart sings"

14 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY 14
ABBY
My favorite teacher always thinks
of creative games.

15 EXT. VISITATION SCHOOL PLAYGROUND 15
CU of Abby clapping and playing on playground.

16 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 16
RYAN
School can be stressful.

17 INT. - VISITATION SCHOOL - DAY 17
Long shot of hallway. Ryan stands in foreground.

18 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 18
TOMMY
I was pretty nervous on my first
day of school.

19 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 19
Tommy's hands.
Profile of Tommy.

20 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY 20
ABBY
But, knowing my favorite teacher
would be there made me look forward
to going to school.

21 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 21
Maddy smiling.
MADDY (V.O.)
He taught me that there is no limit
to what I can learn.

22 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX 22
ALEX
My favorite teacher taught me that
there are no limits to what I can
do in my life.

23 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 23
TOMMY
He taught me to be brave and speak
up in class.

24 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 24
MADDY
He taught me to be curious.

25 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY 25
ABBY
She taught me to be understanding.

26 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 26
TOMMY
Compassionate.

27 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX 27
ALEX
Strong.

28 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 28
RYAN
Patient.

29 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN AND LUKE 29
Mid shot Pan from Ryan looking at Luke and the 2 of them
laughing and goofing around.
RYAN (V.O.)
My favorite teacher is Luke.

30 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY AND PATRICK 30
Static shot of Tommy sitting with Patrick.
TOMMY (V.O.)
Patrick is my favorite teacher.

31 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY AND BRETT 31
CU pan from Maddy to Brett.
MADDY
My favorite teacher is Brett.

32 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY AND MEGAN 32
Mid shot of Abby and Megan.
ABBY
My favorite teacher is Megan.

33 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX AND MARY 33

Pan out from Mary's face to reveal that she's talking to Alex.

ALEX (V.O.)
Mary is my favorite teacher and my
best friend.

34 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MARY 34

MARY
I love you, Alex.

35 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 35

LYNN
The Fire Foundation makes it
possible for all students
regardless of abilities to learn
together and....

36 INT. VISITATION LIBRARY - DAY 36

Ryan and Luke pick out library books together.

LYNN (V.O.)
...and more importantly to learn
from each other.

37 INT. VISITATION GYM - DAY 37

Wide shot of the Tommy and Patrick playing catch.

Mid shot of Patrick throwing.

Mid shot of Tommy catching.

Over the shoulder of Patrick mid shot telling a story as he
throws Tommy the football.

TOMMY (V.O.)
Patrick has taught me more than any
class I've taken.

Over the shoulder of Tommy Mid shot of Patrick telling a
story as he throws him the football.

TOMMY (V.O.)

He is so brave about speaking his mind.

38 INT. VISITATION GYM - DAY 38

Over the shoulder of Patrick CU of Tommy is listening to the story.

CU of Patrick's hand gripping the football.

TOMMY (V.O.)

Watching him gives me the courage to speak up in school and in life.

39 INT. STUDIO - DAY - PATRICK 39

PATRICK

Tommy and I talk a lot about football. And, he helped me learn how to make coffee in our school's coffee shop.

40 EXT. VISITATION SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - DAY 40

Walking over to the monkey bars talking with arms locked.

Camera Mid high angle shot of Abby looking up at Megan as she does monkey bars in foreground past her.

CU of Megan's hand gripping monkey bar.

ABBY (V.O.)

I learn from Megan everyday. Watching her work so hard inspires me to work harder in my life.

41 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MEGAN 41

MEGAN

Abby helped me learn how to hang from the monkey bars. It took me a whole year but I finally got it.

42 EXT. VISITATION SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - DAY 42

Mid shot of Megan working her way across the monkey bars. CU of determined face.

43 INT. VISITATION LIBRARY - DAY 43

Medium shot of the two boys reading.

CU of Ryan's finger under the word.

Mid high angle shot of the boys reading.

RYAN (V.O.)

I read with Luke and put my finger
under the word like this. Reading
with Luke helps me read better,
too...

44 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 44

RYAN

...and it helps me be patient.

45 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LUKE 45

LUKE

Ryan helps me read. I like it.

46 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 46

LYNN

When students with different
abilities...

47 INT. VISITATION LIBRARY - DAY 47

Mid shot of Ryan and Luke reading together.

LYNN (V.O.)

...learn together, side by side,...

48 INT. VISITATION BAND ROOM - DAY 48

Mid shot of Brett and Maddy playing musical instruments
together.

LYNN (V.O.)

...they experience better academic
and behavioral outcomes, ...

49 INT. VISITATION PLAYGROUND - DAY 49

Mid shot of Megan and Abby doing monkey bars together.

LYNN (V.O.)
...social relationships,...

50 INT. VISITATION GYM - DAY 50

Mid shot of Patrick throwing Tommy the football.

LYNN (V.O.)
...high school graduation rates,...

51 EXT. VISITATION CHURCH - DAY 51

Mid shot of Mary and Alex laughing together by fountain.

LYNN (V.O.)
...and post-school success....

ALEX (V.O.)
Mary reminds me that I don't have
to market or sell myself.

Alex picks up her phone and looks at it.

CU of FB on her phone.

ALEX (V.O.)
That I am so much more than a brand
on social media.

Alex looks at Mary Pan from Alex face to Mary.

CU of Alex sitting phone down.

Midshot of Alex putting her arm around Mary.

ALEX (V.O.)
Her friendship has helped give me
the confidence I needed to succeed
as I left high school and went onto
college.

52 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MARY 52

MARY

I don't think about how Alex looks on snapchat or Facebook. I love Alex for who she is...a person.

53 INT. VISITATION BAND ROOM - DAY 53

Long shot of Maddy and Brett getting ready to play instruments together. Brett is instructing Maddy; counting out the beat.

Close up of fingers moving over instruments.

MADDY (V.O.)

Brett made learning easier because he reduced all of the drama in our class.

They play instruments. They stop playing and smile at each other and talk.

MADDY

He made us feel more like a family and helped everyone be nicer to each other.

54 INT. STUDIO - DAY - BRETT 54

BRETT

I love school and learning all I can about the subjects we are talking about.

55 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 55

LYNN

In 2016, the Fire Foundation made it possible for 90 students with significant special needs to learn alongside their peers at 13 schools.

56 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY AND MEGAN 56

Megan and Abby talking.

ABBY (V.O.)

My favorite thing is to talk to Megan and the interesting conversations we have.

ABBY

She taught me that if you're patient, listen and pay attention you can understand people that may not talk exactly like you.

57 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MEGAN 57

MEGAN

I love talking with Abby. We have great conversations.

58 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 58

LYNN

In 2016, the Fire Foundation made grants for salaries for special educators and trained para-professionals who facilitated 619 students' Catholic education.

59 INT. STUDIO - DAY - BRETT 59

BRETT

I was born with autism.

60 INT. STUDIO - DAY - PATRICK 60

PATRICK

I was born with Trisomy 9.

61 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MARY 61

MARY

But it's not because me or my mom and dad did anything wrong.

62 INT. VISITATION CHURCH - DAY 62

Mary and Alex smiling and chatting go into pew and sit down.

Over both of their the shoulders shot of the stained glass sun.

CU of Mary peaceful pan to Alex looking at her.

MARY (V.O.)

It's because the works of God are displayed in me!

63 EXT. VISITATION SCHOOL PLAYGROUND - DAY 63

CU of Megan's hands on bars.

Mid shot of her jumping down and celebrating pan to Abby celebrating with her.

MEGAN (V.O.)

The works of God are displayed in me!

64 INT. VISITATION LIBRARY - DAY 64

Mid Shot of boys smiling and laughing over the book.

Cu of Luke pan to Ryan.

LUKE (V.O.)

And, me.

65 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 65

LYNN

The Fire Foundation fosters a culture...

66 INT. VISITATION GYM - DAY 66

Mid Tommy hands Patrick the Football.

CU of Patrick smiling.

LYNN (V.O.)

...of acceptance and compassion...

67 INT. VISITATION BAND ROOM 67

Maddy hands Brett his trumpet.

CU of Brett smiling.

LYNN (V.O.)

...that allows ALL students to grow together in faith, knowledge and friendship.

68 INT. VISITATION CHURCH - DAY 68

Mid frontal Dolly shot from Alex to Mary. Play with sunlight here etc.

ALEX (V.O.)

I am so blessed to have gone to school with Mary. It's shaped my life in such a beautiful way.

69 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX 69

ALEX

Thank you Fire Foundation.

70 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 70

RYAN

It's because of the Fire Foundation that Luke and I get to be friends.

71 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN AND LUKE 71

Ryan puts his arm around Luke.

72 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 72

LYNN

Through fundraising and advocacy, The Fire Foundation lights the way for children with special needs to share in the opportunities that Catholic schools provide.

73 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY 73

ABBY

The Fire Foundation gave me my best friend and my favorite teacher.

74 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY AND MEGAN 74
Abby puts her arm around Megan.

75 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 75

MADDY

The Fire Foundation gave me an education that prepared me to go out into the world and live and work with all types of people. Not just people that look and act like me. Because that's what the world is...all kinds of people.

76 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 76

LYNN

With funding from the Fire Foundation, a total of nearly 5000 students are enriched by the blessings of inclusive learning.

77 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 77

TOMMY

The Fire Foundation gave me the greatest experience of my high school career.

78 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY AND PATRICK 78

Tommy puts his arm around Patrick.

79 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX 79

ALEX

The Fire Foundation gave me a friend that I will have for my whole life.

80 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ALEX AND MARY 80

Alex puts her arm around Mary.

81 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 81

LYNN

But, without funding, most students with special learning needs would not be able to attend Catholic schools.

82 INT. STUDIO - DAY - ABBY 82

ABBY

Please help me continue to learn from my favorite teacher.

83 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MADDY 83

MADDY

You can help me continue to learn from my favorite teacher.

84 INT. STUDIO - DAY - TOMMY 84

TOMMY

Please help **all** kids in the Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph meet and learn from their favorite teachers.

85 INT. STUDIO - DAY - RYAN 85

RYAN

You can help by supporting The Fire Foundation.

86 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MEGAN 86

MEGAN

By donating to the Fire Foundation.

87 INT. STUDIO - DAY - PATRICK 87

PATRICK

By supporting The Fire Foundation you can help kids find a friend.

88 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MARY 88

MARY
You can help kids find a friend for
life.

89 INT. STUDIO - DAY - BRETT 89

BRETT
You can help kids find a favorite
teacher like me.

90 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LUKE 90

LUKE
A favorite teacher like me!

91 INT. STUDIO - DAY - MEGAN 91

MEGAN
Like me!

92 INT. STUDIO - DAY - LYNN 92

LYNN
Please donate to the The Fire
Foundation and help display the
works of God in us all.

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