

A script from



“The Decision”

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What	A man decides to be a mountain climber after watching a documentary on climbing Mt. Everest, but realizes there's a lot of work to be done before taking on such a huge task. Themes: Studying, Growth, Learning, Discipleship, Bible Study
Who	Man Woman
When	Present
Wear (Props)	Living room setting- chair, table, lamp, etc. Book or magazine
Why	2 Timothy 2:15
How	Keep the dialogue conversational. The man's dialogue should build with his excitement throughout the script. The woman should be matter-of-fact and calm, not reacting to his disappointment at his lack of preparedness.
Time	Approximately 4 minutes

Woman is seated in a living room chair, reading. **Man** enters proudly.

Man: Well? *(Beat)* Do I look different?

Woman: Should you?

Man: Of course! I've just made a life-changing decision!

Woman: *(Sighing)* Really. Another one?

Man: No, this one is different. This time I really mean it!

Woman: Ok. I'll bite. What "life-changing decision" have you made this time?

Man: *(Proudly)* I have decided to become...a mountain climber!

Woman: A mountain climber? That's quite an undertaking. And just what led you to this monumental decision?

Man: It was a wonderful experience! I was watching television and came across a documentary on an expedition to the top of Mt. Everest. Leading the team was a master mountaineer. He was strong and wise and an obvious leader. I could tell that every person on the team had real meaning and direction in their lives. It had to come from the master! Just because they were with him, each person was able to accomplish great things. He was so proud of them all. That's exactly what I've been searching for in my life. So after careful consideration, I've decide to become a mountain climber!

Woman: Well, I'm glad you enjoyed the show.

Man: Obviously you doubt the sincerity of my commitment. It was more than just a show. You see, I leave tomorrow.

Woman: Tomorrow? Are you serious?

Man: Of course. There are many mountains out there to be climbed. I'll make the master proud of me, too. You'll see.

Woman: Well, all right...if you really feel that strongly about it.

Man: Oh, I do! *(Starting to leave)* So, farewell! I'm off!

Woman: I'm just glad you're prepared.

Man: Right! *(Stops, turns)* Wait...prepared? For what?

Woman: Well, before those guys climbed that mountain, I'm sure they spent lots of time...learning.

Man: Learning? What's to learn? I've got desire!

Woman: Desire is important. But the master will require more. He'll want you to study so you will be prepared when things get rough. So you'll know exactly what he'll do for you and what he expects you to do.

Man: Makes sense. Okay, fine. I'll read a book or something.

Woman: Fine.

Man: Now, as I was saying, farewell – I'm off! *(Starts to leave)*

Woman: I just hope studying a book is enough...

Man: *(Stops, turns)* Enough? And why wouldn't it be?

Woman: Well, maybe you need to spend some time around other climbers. I'm sure there's a lot you can learn from sharing ideas with them. I mean, they've been there. There's a lot to be gained from their successes and failures. And I'm sure you could learn from what the master has taught other climbers before you

Man: Hmm...maybe you're right. Ok, I'll join a climber's internet discussion forum! That'll impress the master!

Woman: Maybe...

Man: If you don't mind – I'm off!

Woman: ...or maybe not

Man: *(Stopping)* What now?

Woman: Don't take me wrong dear, but have you looked in the mirror lately?

Man: There's something wrong with the way I look?

Woman: Not really. But you are carrying a little extra around the middle there. I hope you realize that to be a really great mountain climber the master will need you to be in top condition, too.

Man: You know, this is turning out to be a whole lot more trouble than I thought. All this trying to be like the master may be more than I can do. Maybe I've made a mistake with my decision. *(Beat)* What do you think?

Woman: What do I think? Oh, I haven't the foggiest idea. You know me. I never want to interfere with your decisions. Whatever you think, dear.

Lights out.

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