

Lack of Character Monologue

At rise: Speaker is making an announcement for the people gathered.

Hi, Josh [or minister's, elder's name] asked me to talk to you a little bit about one of the ministries here at KCC [insert church name]. The ____ ministry is *(cell phone rings; appears surprised but shrugs and answers cell phone)* Hello? *(shocked)* Louann! [Or nursery or Bible class teacher] It's the middle of church. What do you want?

Right now? *(put out)* NO! I'm making an announcement in front of the entire congregation..... You don't have anyone back there in the nursery? I see *(disgusted)* WHO?

(adamant) Look – if I have to work with her its like having another baby to take care of ... *(defensive)* I'm not into changing diapers, that's just gross. And then they burp and spit up all over. I've got good church clothes on.....

(put out) Well, it wouldn't be convenient right now. You gotta give me a few days notice..... *(hold phone away from ear momentarily and scowls)*

OK, OK. But I want a big sign posted back there that I helped. Or better yet have Brad [a church leader] put it on a slide to show Sunday morning when people take their seats so everyone will know what a great ministry worker.....

What? My character? What do you mean “something is wrong with my character? I'm not in any plays right now. *(emphasizing each word)* I don't have any character.

(softly, humbled) Oh .. that kind of character. *(bows head.)*