

The Stars Unseen

The Stars Unseen presents the idea of God as the intelligent designer in a gentle and inviting manner. The **natural** and **relatable dialogue**, combined with **quick-witted humor**, creates a balance between the lighter and more intense dramatic moments, making the story engaging and enjoyable.

The message is presented in a way that is clear, relatable, and entertaining, encouraging viewers to reflect on their own spirituality. This film has the power to shift perspectives and illuminate the science that reveals the grandeur of God's creation. By blending humor, drama, and thought-provoking themes, this project will captivate and inspire audiences from all walks of life.

Short Synopsis:

A faithless journey takes an unexpected turn when a girl, delving into astronomy and guided by a new friend, encounters evidence of an eternal God. Confronting her pain, echos of her late mother's words revive a dormant passion that she once had but the tragic loss of her father forces her to question everything. What she discovers is a loving creator who knows her brokenness and pain and is faithful through it all.

Character Profile - Michael Ward

Age - 52

Occupation - General Contractor

Michael Ward is a widower who lives alone with his dog Sherlock. He is a quiet, internal soul who keeps to himself and has never really healed from the pain of his loss.

Encouragement from his daughter Mary eventually leads him to take a step of faith. He soon discovers what he has been missing with the help of a new community.

A shocking accident happens and Michael is killed in a devastating car wreck leaving a wake of confusion and anger.

Key Traits - Kind, Quiet, Reclusive, Loving.

MARTHA
Absolutely beautiful. You said
she's graduating this year right?

MICHAEL WARD
Yes she is. Such a bright kid. I'm
really proud of her.

MARTHA
And that's her mother.

Michael nods his head and gives a slight smile.

MICHAEL WARD
Lily.

Martha smiles at Michael knowing the family history. She scans the rest of the room and observes all the beautiful captured moments on the walls.

MARTHA
There is so much love in this
house.

MICHAEL WARD
Lots of memory.
(beat)
I get lost in it. Nothing really
feels like it used to. These
pictures are just hollow shells of
what my family used to be. For so
many years after Lily passed, I did
what I could to keep her alive.
Everything I saw or heard sparked
some memory.. And I would follow
down the rabbit hole. At times it
felt real to get swept up in it.
But it wasn't... It crippled me. I
was terrified to let go.

MARTHA
So what changed?

MICHAEL WARD
Mary. She never gave up. Helped me
find the strength to take a step.

MARTHA
You know, John said when you came
in to the donation center, it was
like you were leaving behind a
heavy burden and searching for
something.

MICHAEL WARD

I agree with John. I was searching for something. I just didn't know what it was at the time.

MARTHA

What was it?

MICHAEL WARD

I think it was a little bit of God's grace. Not to mention the best steak quesadillas and brownies I think I've ever tasted.

Michael grabs another off the plate and offers it to Martha who takes one and the two CLINK brownies together and partake.

INT. MARY'S APARTMENT - EVENING

Mary sits on her rug taking notes with a debate video playing on youtube. Her phone rings. Its her dad.

MARY

Dad!

MICHAEL WARD

Can I put you down as my emergency contact?

Mary is tickled by the request.

MARY

Sure. Why?

MICHAEL WARD

I have to fill out this waiver thing.

MARY

What am I getting myself into?

MICHAEL WARD

Nothing at all it's just some volunteer work
(beat)
with my church.

Mary smiles.

MARY

You'r what?

Michaels door bell rings. Food delivery has arrived.

MICHAEL WARD

Oh, my dinner is here. I'll call
you back later.

MARY

Can't believe you're gonna leave me
with that cliff hanger.

MICHAEL WARD

Oh, sorry sweetie.

MARY

I'm totally joking. Go! I love you.

MICHAEL WARD

Love you too kid.