Dirty Little Secrets
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LogLine

Dirty Little Secrets is a Conversation between the black church, the black woman, and the gay black male.

Characters

Narrator: The Narrator will guide the audience with facts of historical events and how they are parallel with the Christian Bible. (casting)

Jeremy: Through personal testimony Jeremy will guide to the severity of the issues between the gay black male, the black church and the black woman.

Sophia Wisdom: Sophia will be responsible for guiding the interviews.

Devante Jamal: Gay Black Male interviewee

Elisa Robinson: Black Woman interviewee

Currently Casting Gay Black Men, Black Women and Black Men to Represent the Black Church.

Synopsis

Dirty Little Secrets will explore the black community as a whole. Through the Christian Faith, African Americans can identify with The Children of Israel as they were slaves and by their disobedience. As there is nothing new under the sun. The black woman and the black church now oppress their own people who may identify as homosexual. This has been branded as the cardinal sin. Dirty Little Secrets will identify the common themes from our history and from Biblical practices. Through this a common goal of restoration should take place.
Narrative Outline

The Bible Story
a. God in all three person created the Universe.
b. Mankind being in the likeness of God
c. The First sin and its effect on the world throughout time.
   1. Human nature (sinful nature Noah)
   2. The Promise (Abraham)
The Children of Israel
  1. Oppression
  2. Deliverance
  3. The Oppressor
Jesus
  1. Identify with the oppressed.
  2. The Savior of the World.
  3. The Great Commission.
The Black Church
  1. Through Bondage freedom was found through Christ.
     a. Abolitionist, Nat Turner, Martin Luther King Jr.
  b. Abolitionist
     c. Black Church Denominations Timeline.
  2. Great Strides to Change the World.
     a. Civil Rights Movement.
  3. Currently now seen as the Oppressor.
     a. Homosexuality as the cardinal sin.
The Black Woman
  1. Backbone to the African American Family
     a. Single Moms
  2. The Engine that makes America Great
     a. Black Women role throughout time and how it has evolved.
     3. The Persuasion
        a. The power of the black woman
The Gay Black Male
  1. Fuels Culture.
     a. Television, musical artist, building up black culture.
  2. Hate the Sin, Love The Sinner
     a. The true feelings of the black woman and the black church about the gay black male.
  3. Gay black men issues with the Black Church and The Black Woman.
     a. Personal accounts
Conclusion
  1. The realization of the damage that has been done.
     a. Understanding the issue at hand.
     b. Severity of the brokenness between the three.
  2. Recognition of Sin
     a. Homosexuality identified as a sin.
     b. The misunderstanding about Christ and Homosexuality.
     c. All Sin is equal
  3. The Commission
     a. Giving Our Pain To Jesus
     b. Christians to do Church as the Early church did (Community)
     c. Go Out and Make Disciples No matter who you are or what you’ve done.
Status of Dirty Little Secrets

Dirty Little Secrets is currently in the beginning of the pre-production stage. The script is under review for editing. We are currently casting black church members, black women and gay black men. The cast should be 100% African American, but their viewpoints about homosexuality should vary. Christian and Non Christians are welcomed.

Funding

Dirty Little Secrets has received one grant in the amount of 5,000. Our financial plan is to continue applying for documentary grants. Partnering with individuals with the same viewpoints as the projects and reaching out to investors.

Distribution and Marketing Strategy

TBA

Creative Approach

Due to the heaviness of the content. Dirty Little Secrets will stretch the norms of the makings of a documentary. The project must be visually appealing. To do this the usage of Animation will be in collaboration to move the story along. Black Art, 90’s type animation should be seen and it should also apply that black culture is respected in the highest regard.

What Will Dirty Little Secrets Look Like?
**Director Statement**

The end goal of "Dirty Little Secrets" is not to condemn the black church or the black woman. I am a firm believer that one cannot move past hurt if the party doesn't understand the problem. My prayer is to be a light to all parties commissioning them to follow the ways of Christ and not to lean on our own understanding. In doing so we fail a group of people. We cannot go out and make disciples if we don't want any parts of them. This project will bring healing to the Gay Black Male, shed light to what true christianity looks like and lastly to lead brothers to Christ.

**Set List**

1. Krog Street - Day
2. Jayida Ché Tea Spot - Day
3. West Midtown Bridge - Day
4. AUC Promenade - Day
5. Atlantic Station - Day
6. Piedmont Park - Day
7. Centennial Olympic Park - Evening
8. Atlanta BeltLine - Evening

**Tentative Filming Dates**

June 22nd- 24th Narrations and Jeremy’s speaking parts.

June 29th - July 1st Interviews

** The second and fourth weekend of July is reserved for any reshooting that needs to be done. **