

Carol calls from the kitchen.

CAROL (O.C.)  
Sol? Is that you?

Solomon enters, and kicks his shoes off at the door.

SOLOMON  
Yes, it's me. Sorry I missed  
dinner.

CAROL  
I'll heat it back up for you.  
Mindy and Molly are tucked in for  
the night. We prayed for you  
during nighttime prayers.

SOLOMON  
I missed nighttime prayers? Oh  
man! I'm sorry, honey.

CAROL  
Where have you been? Usually you're  
out of the factory and home as soon  
as your shift is done.

SOLOMON  
I walked for a while after work. It  
was kind of a hard day.

CAROL  
What happened? You still have a  
job, don't you?

Solomon deflates.

CAROL  
Oh no. Not again!

SOLOMON  
It's all Pendleton's fault! All he  
cares about are his quotas and  
profits. Little guys like me can't  
catch a break. I stood up for  
myself!

CAROL  
And you got fired.

SOLOMON  
No. I quit.

CAROL  
Oh Solomon...

SOLOMON

Not just me. Almost all of us!  
We'll see how Pendleton does when  
he has no workers. He'll be  
crawling back in no time, with  
raises!

CAROL

But what will we do until then? We  
haven't been able to save much  
since you quit your last job. I'm  
working as hard as I can, but I can  
only put in so many hours, even  
with your parents helping with the  
girls.

SOLOMON

(snarky/resentful)

You've got plenty of time for all  
those activities at dad's church.

CAROL

Worshipping and helping out at the  
church keeps us spiritually  
grounded. You should be there, too.

SOLOMON

(angrily)

Don't start preaching at me. You  
sound just like my dad. Work more.  
Do more at church. What do you want  
from me?

CAROL

(angry, in tears)

I want you to take some  
responsibility! I want you to keep  
a job long enough to pay the bills!  
I want you to be a Godly man and a  
dad to your daughters! I'm sorry.  
I shouldn't have said that.

SOLOMON

Why not? It's what you were  
thinking. I'm never good enough  
for you! Sometimes I think you'd  
be better off without me.

CAROL

Sol, you know that's not true!

SOLOMON

And I think I'd be better off  
without you, too.

CAROL

You don't mean that. You're just  
tired and frustrated. Let's --

**\*Please send a clip of yourself singing as well. Also, a  
clip of you dancing, if available.**