

Logline - Laraine and her handicapped husband (John) are on their recurring topic of having a kid which causes them to quarrel, despite the fact that John actually love kids. Their neighbour, Mr Lim who witness the situation on the other hand find it less complicated than it is.

ACT 1

INT. LIVING ROOM. DAY

John is watching TV on his wheelchair as usual when Laraine is back from her work.

**Laraine**

Honey I'm back!

**John**

(Smiling)

How's work today?

**Laraine**

Work is fine... But Jasmine told me that she's having their third child already!

**John**

Wow! That's fast! Let's arrange a day to visit their children soon!

**Laraine**

Sounds good! What about us?

**John**

Us? Why?

*John looks away to watch his show.*

**Laraine**

Dear...

**John**

We've already talked about this before.

**Laraine**

But I'm willing to do everything.

**John**

It's not about you, it's me... Who can't.

**Laraine**

It's not about you, it's us. We can handle this. I don't see why you are so against it every single time. The doctor already said that we are healthy enough to have our own children.

**John**

One is more than enough

**Laraine**

Let's have one first then.

Not yet.

**Laraine**

Then when?

**John**

I don't know...

**Laraine**

What are you afraid of?

**John**

I already said so many times, and yet you still want me to be reminded of my disabilities?

**Laraine**

Why are you always using your legs as in excuse to-

**John**

(shouting)

Excuse? Are you kidding me? Who caused me to be sitting here handicapped? Who landed me into this plight?

**Laraine**

It's all in the past, dear. We've said before that we will forget about all these, remember?

**John**

You are not the one in the wheelchair, you can say anything you like.

*Their neighbour, Mr Lim, walks by and decides to involve himself to help the situation.*

**Mr Lim**

Eh hello, what's the commotion about! I could hear you guys from my house!

**John**

(feeling awkward)

It's nothing.

**Mr Lim**

Come on guys, let me help.

**John**

Can you stop being a busybody.

**Mr Lim**

No I am not... I about to become an official policeman, just waiting for my identity card! And I love to help everyone especially people in the neighbourhood. So just tell me what's up and I may be of some help?

**Laraine**

Look, since he is here, might as well get a third person's opinion right?

**Mr Lim**

Yes come on I'm listening.

**Laraine**

I know we both love kids, and we want to have one, but John keeps bringing up his disability and deny the fact that he wants a kid as well.

**John**

But it is the truth! How to have a kid with me being like this?

**Mr Lim**

What's wrong with being like this?

**John**

I can't even walk, can't play or even take care of him! I don't want to be a burden, and I don't want our child to think that I am a lousy father.

**Mr Lim**

John, you don't have to think so much you see... Having a kid is not as complicated as what you think! You can just take one step at a time and see how things go right?

**John**

But look at me! (Points at his legs and wheelchair)

**Mr Lim**

Okay actually, since you both love kids so much, and you are afraid about your disability, then why not adopt?

**Laraine & John**

NO!

**John**

I love kids but I honestly feel that having our own kid means more and make us a family.

**Mr Lim**

There you go. Then go make a baby!

**John**

But you see having a baby now is also very expensive, and we can't afford it with my medical bills accumulating.

**Laraine**

We have savings dear.

**John**

I know, but remember that dream trip to Paris that we said before we got married?

**Laraine**

Yeah, there are plenty of chances to go in the future, maybe even with our kids! I know you love kids, so we could actually use that sum to help stabilize our finances?

**John**

But...

**Mr Lim**

John, don't come up with anymore excuses. Can't you both already tell? Ultimately, you both love each other so much you kept thinking for each other. See Laraine, you just said you know he love kids and you can give up your trip so you can have a family. John, you know she wants to travel very badly so you pretend you don't want a kid now so that the both of you can travel.

You both are still so in love but why must you always quarrel everyday! I pass by your unit everyday and hear some yelling everyday also very uncomfortable you know...

**Laraine**

Dear, let's forget about all our arguments. Like what Mr Lim said, we love each other, why quarrel?

**John**

Let nature take its course, alright? Let's try and make this work dear.

**Mr Lim**

That's right!!! My job is done here!

Laraine – 17

John – 22

Mr Lim – 10