Shadrach
Premiere One Sheet

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HIGH-LEVEL INFORMATION

Title: Shadrach
 # Episodes: 6
Genre: Faith Drama
Production Studio: AFFIRM

Premiere Dates

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GAPF: Ep1+2: 7/25 at 8/7c
Ep 3: 8/1 at 8/7c
Ep 4: 8/8 at 8/7c
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Trailer Launch / Announcement Dates

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LINKS & ASSETS

Movie Pages

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GAPF: in progress
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NARRATIVE DETAILS

Series Logline

When the Wilson family must leave the city to start over in a small town, a majestic horse unexpectedly comes into their lives, helping them discover the true meaning of hope, faith, and family.

Cast List

Livi Birch, *Anna Wilson*; Cale Ferrin, *Michael Wilson*; Philip Boyd, *James Wilson*; Catherine Urbanek, *Rose Wilson*; Greg Allan Martin, *Pawpaw*; Robert Amaya, *Pastor Hernandez*; Sandra Lee-Oian Thomas, *Gram*; Marie Thomas, *Gilly Wescott*; and more!

Series Talking Points

- "Shadrach" is an inspirational new original series that is encouraging and uplifting.
- "Shadrach" is a brand-new original series that will remind you to slow down and cherish the most important things in life.
- "Shadrach" is a brand-new original series with something for the whole family.

Series Themes

- Faith
- Family
- New beginnings

Character Profiles

- **Anna Wilson** is a 12-year-old girl that loves her city life and her family. She's very protective over her disabled brother but also a little scarred from being the older sister of a boy with disabilities. At the beginning, she doesn't believe God cares much about her. She is very perceptive and introspective.
- **Shadrach** is Anna's horse. He was owned by J.D. Macleod until Pawpaw traded his motorcycle for the horse. It would seem as if he specifically chose Anna to be his caregiver because he knew how much she needed him.
- **Michael Wilson** is Anna's younger brother who was born with a rare disease called Fanconi's Anemia. He has a positive outlook on life and perseveres through tough circumstances. He is kind, forgiving, curious, and loves to laugh.
- **James Wilson** is Anna's father. After losing his company, he sets out to rebuild a life for his family. He is supportive and present. He continues to persevere despite their present difficulties.
- **Rose Wilson** is Anna's mother. She grew up in the small town of Spring Hill but moved to the city for college and then settled there after marrying James. She continues to hold onto her faith, which helps her get through the hard times and hard circumstances.
- **Pawpaw** is Anna's grandfather. He is extremely humble and very handy. He is supportive, caring, and considerate. He has a skill for teaching and taking care of things.
- **Gram** is Anna's grandmother. She is devoted and considerate. She has long-lasting friendships and a deep faith. In episode 5, it is also revealed that she had a few miscarriages, which is why Rose is an only child.
- **Pastor Hernandez** is the pastor of Spring Hills' small church. He is a very hands-on pastor, servant leader, and willing to lend a hand whenever needed. He is also considered "new" to the town since he has only been the pastor for a year.
- **Gilly Wescott** is Gram's best friend and a "nosey nelly," as Pawpaw puts it. She loves Gram and the whole family and frequently drops by unannounced.
- **J.D. Macleod** is Gram and Pawpaw's neighbor. He is often harsh or angry and keeps to himself. He is Shadrach's original owner but only kept the horse as an "investment."

Bible Verse

- “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with My righteous right hand” Isaiah 41:10 NIV

Insider Recommended Reading

- In progress

EPISODE BREAKDOWN

Episode 1

Logline

After Anna is forced to move from a big city to a small rural town, a chance encounter with a horse named Shadrach encourages her to give this new life a chance. [162/200 characters]

Synopsis

The Wilson family moves from the big city to the small town of Spring Hill after learning of misfortunes with James’ business partner and brother. They move in with Gram and Pawpaw while they renovate their new house. Anna really struggles to adjust. But when the neighbor’s horse continues to show up outside their house, Pawpaw trades his prize motorcycle for Shadrach which gives Anna hope for this new way of life.

Themes

- Family
- Faith
- New beginnings
- Disabilities
- Gambling/bankruptcy
- Hospitality

Quotes

- “You can tell everything you need to know about someone by the way they treat an animal.” Anna around 31:20
- “And that was it. We were starting to believe in something bigger than ourselves. The power of faith had just begun to take us places and a new life of adventure had begun.” Anna around 42:45

Detailed Storyline

- You meet Anna who attends a private school. Her brother Michael was born with Fanconi Anemia (see here for more info). They live in the city (Atlanta) in a large high-rise with the perception that they're very wealthy.
- Anna's dad had started a software company with his brother. They learn that his brother deceived him and now they're bankrupt. The parents decide to move to the small town (Spring Hill) where Rose's parents live to get through everything.
- They move in with Gram and Pawpaw until they can fix up their new house which is just down the road. During dinner, Gilly (Gram's neighbor and best friend) shows up with a pie.
- Anna is less than happy about their new house and school – a one room schoolhouse.
- Anna walks home from touring her new school, gets a little lost, and stumbles upon a horse after ignoring a 'no trespassing' sign. The horse takes after her. The horse's owner, J.D. Macleod, gets angry and starts yelling at Anna and runs her off.
- On Sunday, they go to church. It's a very small local church. The sermon is about how young people are just as important and can make a huge difference for the Kingdom.
- Gram gives Anna a cross necklace that was originally from Gram's grandmother.
- After dinner, Pawpaw sees the horse standing outside the kitchen window. Anna wants to name the horse Shadrach after the sermon earlier that day about Shadrach, Meshack, and Abednego.
- J.D. Macleod angrily shows up to get the horse. Anna is very concerned about the horse.
- The next morning, Shadrach shows up at the house again.
- After walking Shadrach back to his owner's house, Anna asks her dad what happened to his company. He explains that his brother (Anna's uncle) has been secretly taking money from the company and using the company as collateral for his gambling addiction and now they're being sued.
- Later that day, the horse escapes and shows up at the house again. Anna expresses that she wants the horse.
- As Anna gets out of the car for school, she insists that Michael be allowed to go to school with her. Her mom agrees.
- Pawpaw trades his beloved motorcycle for Shadrach.
- As the episode closes, Anna and Michael get to ride Shad for the first time.

Verse
"See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." Isaiah 43:19 NIV

Episode 2

Logline

Stranded in the forest after Shadrach gets spooked near their home, Anna and Michael must work together to come up with an imaginative way to send for help. [156/200 characters]

Synopsis

Pawpaw gives Anna and Michael riding lessons on Shadrach. But when the kids convince him to let them ride to their new house down the road, Shadrach gets spooked and takes off with them into the woods. They lose their phone along the way and eventually get thrown off. Anna injures herself which prevents them from getting back on Shadrach. The kids come up with an imaginative way to send a note back and lead the search party to them. As a result, Rose and James don't want Michael riding due to the possible risks. Anna respectfully insists that she won't ride again until Michael is allowed to ride.

Quotes

- "We all make mistakes. It's what you choose to do after them that counts." Rose around 38:50
- "Life is unpredictable. It moves fast and slow, and highs and lows. We make our habits, and our habits make us. But we all have a choice every morning to believe in something greater than ourselves." Anna around 42:20

Themes

- Faith
- Bravery
- Trust
- Forgiveness
- Fear

Detailed Storyline

- Anna continues learning responsibility and how to take care of a horse.
- Rose heads into town to find a job.
- Pawpaw continues to give the kids riding lessons.
- With Pawpaw's permission, the kids ride Shad from their grandparents' house to their new house, the horse gets spooked and takes off into the woods. They lose their phone along the way. Both kids fall off the horse and Anna hurts her knee badly. Over an hour goes by until anyone realizes the kids are lost.
- The kids send Shad back to the house with a note. The family finds the note.
- As night falls, Pawpaw and the sheriff's department head out on horseback to search.

- Pawpaw finds the kids.
- Their parents decide that Michael is not allowed to ride Shad for the foreseeable future which leaves Anna heartbroken for him.
- Anna respectfully insists that she will not ride if her brother cannot ride because she will not find any joy in it.
- Anna continues gladly taking care of Shad even though she won't ride him. Their parents continue fixing up their new house.
- Rose is offered a job at the church.
- Pawpaw and Gram find a saddle with extra safety features for Michael. The kids can start riding again.

Verse
"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." John 14:27 NIV

Episode 3
Logline
Michael, James, and Anna discover an ancient artifact and decide to keep it a secret while they investigate its value. However, Gram and Pawpaw may have a life-changing secret of their own. [189/200 characters]

Synopsis
Michael becomes very curious about archeology after learning about the career field in school. He convinces James to take him to a possible site to conduct their own dig. Originally not interested, Anna decides to join the guys and bring them lunch. While there, Shadrach finds an ancient vase. James convinces the kids to keep it a secret until they learn more about its value. At the same time, Gram is filled with grief after learning that her longtime friend has passed away. The next day, she learns that she was named the sole beneficiary of her estate. Gram and Pawpaw decide to keep it a secret until they know more since it would seem that there is a lot of money. After an awkward family dinner, both parties decide to divulge their secrets. The Wilsons call someone to authenticate the vase, learning that it's likely very old and that they will receive naming recognition with it. Gram and Pawpaw learn that there is no money left in the estate and they will have to spend their own money to close things up.

Quotes
- "Life is full of surprises, the good and the bad, and a lot of times it's not obvious which is which." Anna around 36:28
- "Having friends makes a person happy, I think because sharing experiences are such a big deal." Anna around 42:40

Themes

- Faith
- Family
- Friendship: Gram and Lucy's friendship despite many ideological differences
- Contentment vs greed with money and tangible things
- Humility
- Honesty

Detailed Storyline

- Gram receives a call with news that her friend Lucy had a heart attack and passed. Gram agrees to handle the funeral since Lucy has no remaining family.
- Michael continues to do well in school and loves learning. He has a newfound passion for archeology.
- Michael and James go to a nearby site to try and dig up ancient artifacts. Anna feels left out, so she brings them lunch on Shadrach.
- At the site, Shad starts digging and uncovers an old vase. James convinces the kids they should keep it a secret from everyone, including their family, in case it's very valuable.
- FedEx arrives with Lucy's will. Lucy named Gram as the sole beneficiary of her estate. Gram and Pawpaw grapple with what to do with the inheritance. They agree to keep this a secret from the family.
- After an awkward family dinner, everyone comes clean about their secrets.
- In accordance with the state law, they call a number to report the finding for the vase. A historian comes to check it out. They learn that it's most likely very old and will get name recognition if everything checks out.
- Gram and Pawpaw learn that Lucy didn't have anything left to her name, even though she'd made it appear so. In fact, Gram and Pawpaw will have to use their own money to cover some of her costs. They talk about how the love of money can ruin someone.

Verses

- "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing." Psalms 23:1 NIV
- *Quoted by Gram in the episode:* "Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless." Ecclesiastes 5:10 NIV

Episode 4

Logline

A ‘mystery quilter’ sews patches on an unfinished quilt in the middle of the night calling everyone’s actions into question and launches an unofficial investigation. [167/200 characters]

Synopsis

While packing up things to fill their new home with, Gram finds Rose’s unfinished quilt from high school. The next morning, the family discovers that someone begins secretly finishing the quilt at night. As everyone speculates about who the mystery quilter could be, Gram reminisces about Rose moving out for college. Anna and Michael decide to set a trap their last night in the house to capture the mystery quilter. That same night, Shadrach gets loose and begins running down the road. Gilly discovers Shadrach and wakes up the family to bring him back. Once everyone is back at the house, they learn that Gilly is the mystery quilter. She’d been sneaking into the house (since they leave the door unlocked) and finishing the quilt because she loves the family so much.

Quote

- “We are all a patchwork of hopes and dreams that are all held together by what we decide to make out of the fabric of our lives.” Anna around 42:35

Themes

- Perseverance: seeing a project through
- Compassion
- Family
- Curiosity

Detailed Storyline

- Anna continues to learn how to take care of Shad. James continues preparing the house.
- Pastor Hernandez is sick. Rose sends him home to rest.
- The kids must write an essay on someone that inspired them. Anna wants to write it about Shad, but Gram discourages that since it’s not what the teacher asked for.
- Gram and Gilly find Rose’s unfinished quilt in the attic. The family discusses finishing projects and the importance of the number 40 in the Bible. Anna asks Rose who the quilt was for. Rose says she can’t remember, but it’s clear she is hiding something. The quilt is basically the only thing Rose has never finished in her life.
- As the family gets close to moving out, Gram reminisces about Rose moving out for college.
- The next morning, they discover that someone has added another row to Rose’s unfinished quilt. No one knows who did it.

- The following morning, additional patches have been added.
- In a conversation with Gilly, Gram reveals that Rose quit the quilt after touring colleges. She had planned to make the quilt for herself to bring to college. Gram thinks Rose wanted a "bed-in-a-bag" instead of her quilt because the quilt made her look "too country." Gram also thinks James is the mysterious quilt maker because he knows the reason Rose quit the quilt.
- It's their last night in the house before moving. The kids set a trap to catch the mystery quilter.
- Shadrach breaks out of his stall. Gilly sees Shad, after almost hitting him with her car, and wakes up the family so they can bring him back. They find Shad outside the new house.
- Once back at the house, Gilly admits that she is the mystery quilter.
- Michael writes his essay about Gilly because she taught him about compassion.

Verse
"The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion." Psalm 116:5 NIV

Episode 5
Logline
Unexpected things happen when the girls go camping for Gram's birthday. At home, things get out of hand when the guys decide to let the animals in the house to stage a funny picture. [182/200 characters]

Synopsis
Gram, Rose, Anna, and Gilly head out for a girls' camping trip at Gram's request to celebrate her birthday. Back at home, Pawpaw, James, and Michael decide to have fun by bringing the animals into the house and taking some crazy pictures. But things go awry when Shad pees in the house and their goat destroys Gram and Pawpaw's bedroom. As a surprise gift, the boys decide to redecorate the room based on a photo Gram commented on in a magazine. While camping, Gram and Rose connect about their faith when Gram shares about the difficulty of many miscarriages while trying to start a family. That night, the women hear a large animal outside the tent, they sleep in the car for the rest of the night for safety, and wake to find the camp destroyed. Because of this, they pack up and head home early. Gram is overjoyed to see her new bedroom.

Quotes
- "Life is full of joy and sorrow in equal measure." Pastor Hernandez around 29:00
- "I want to find something that I can do well." Michael around 29:20
- "I had my faith. That made all the difference." Gram around 33:40
- "God works all things for good for those who love Him. We believe on the good days and on the bad days." Gram around 33:55
- "I'm blessed. There's no other way to look at it." Gram around 41:25

- “Maybe the best presents, the ones we remember the most, are the gifts we’re given as part of ourselves.” Anna around 42:30

Themes

- Dependency on technology
- Generosity
- Bravery
- Trust

Detailed Storyline

- The Wilson family is living in their new house.
- For Gram’s birthday, she has requested to go camping with Rose, Anna, and Gilly. Anna struggles with leaving Shad.
- The men decide to bring animals into the house and take funny photos. Shad pees all over a rug and Kevin the goat destroys Gram and Pawpaw’s room. They decide to do a room makeover as a surprise birthday present for Gram. Pastor Hernandez comes over and lends a hand. Michael asks him a bunch of questions to learn more about being a pastor.
- The women set up camp according to Gram’s detailed itinerary.
- Around the campfire, Anna starts asking Gram questions. She reveals that she had three miscarriages and that prevented them from having more kids.
- Laying in their sleeping bags, Rose and Gram talk about hardship and how their faith gets them through. Once everyone is asleep, a bear comes through their campsite and wakes them. They run to the car for protection and sleep there the remainder of the night. They find the campground ransacked and torn apart in the morning.
- The girls arrive home early. The boys surprise Gram with her bedroom makeover. They celebrate with cake. Rose grabs James’ phone to take pictures and find the photos of the animals in the house and the room torn apart.

Verse(s)
“Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.” Psalm 62:8 NIV

Episode 6
Logline
Tensions rise with Macleod when a shared waterpipe breaks in front of the farmhouse. But when Shadrach and Anna come to Mr. Macleod’s rescue after a bad accident, reconciliation becomes possible. [196/200 characters]

Synopsis

A water pipe supplying water to both J.D. Macleod and Gram and Pawpaw's properties breaks. Confusion arises about who is responsible for the repairs. Macleod refuses to contribute and hires a lawyer instead. The family and Pastor Hernandez try to work it out with Macleod, but he runs them off each time. Michael finds some articles online that may explain why Macleod is angry and hardened. At the same time, James receives a job offer that would require the family to move back to the city. Macleod has an accident in the barn and is unable to call for help. Shadrach knows something is wrong and leads Anna to him. They're able to get help and Macleod is expected to make a full recovery. At the end of the episode, Macleod finally attends church, it seems like he is a changed man, and has mended his relationship with the whole family. Rose and James still haven't decided what to do about the job offer.

Quotes

- "There is a season for everything and a time for every matter under heaven." Pastor Hernandez around 14:30
- "Do you know why Matthew chapter 1 is so important to the Gospel? It's because people matter. So whether you're someone who comes here regularly or perhaps you find yourself in this place of worship for the very first time, but just know you are welcome." Pastor Hernandez around 41:48

Themes

- Forgiveness
- Faith
- Dealing with anger/pain/hurt

Detailed Storyline

- A water pipe breaks between Pawpaw/Gram's property and their neighbor J.D. Macleod's property (Shadrach's previous owner). The water company believes the repair costs should be a shared responsibility due to the location of the break. The neighbor is adamant that it's not his responsibility.
- Gram and Pawpaw move in with the Wilsons.
- James gets a job interview in the city.
- J.D. Macleod hires a lawyer before they've even done a property survey to determine the exact property line. Pastor Hernandez agrees to go talk to Macleod, but Macleod runs him off.
- Michael and Pawpaw try to do their own land survey for learning purposes.
- James learns that the job he is interviewing for would require him to work in the city full time, instead of remote as originally planned.

- Pawpaw and Anna go to talk to Macleod. It's clear he won't budge. Anna wants to tell Macleod how much Shadrach has meant to her. Macleod laughs at her. They leave the property.
- A little later, Macleod falls off a ladder in the barn, gets knocked out and injures himself badly.
- Shadrach can sense that something is wrong, hears Macleod calling for help, and starts running back and forth and trying to get to him. Pawpaw and Anna assume Shad's behavior is because they aren't living at the farmhouse.
- While doing research, Michael learns that Macleod lost his wife and daughter in a car accident about 3 years prior.
- James gets the job but struggles with whether he should take it or not because the family has really adjusted to life in Spring Hill.
- Anna can tell Shadrach is trying to tell her something. She allows Shadrach to take her where he wants to go. Anna discovers a semi-conscious Macleod.
- James and Rose discuss the new job opportunity.
- They learn that Macleod will make a full recovery. Anna expresses that she's so happy that they had to move to the country.
- Gram and Pawpaw get their water fixed. They learn the bill has been mysteriously paid for.
- As the family learns of James' job offer and the potential of moving, they all get very upset. James and Rose struggle about what to do.
- On Sunday, Macleod surprises everyone and shows up at church.

Verse
"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." Ezekiel 36:26 NIV