FALLING FORWARD EPISODE NINE

"Do Better With What You've Been Given"

[UPBEAT YET DRAMATIC THEME MUSIC PLAYS, THEN CUTS AS THE EPISODE BEGINS]

[FLASHBACK. ICARUS COMES HOME AND SLAMS THE DOOR.]

DAEDALUS: Hey! Absolutely not!

ICARUS: Did you see the news?

DAEDALUS: What do you think?

ICARUS: Billionaire. He's a billionaire now.

DAEDALUS: Yeah, we knew he was headed that way.

ICARUS: We're late on rent and he's a billionaire.

DAEDALUS: We have a grace period for rent.

ICARUS: That's not the point.

DAEDALUS: Hey. That's enough.

ICARUS: Doesn't it bother you at all?

DAEDALUS: (Sighs) Of course it does. But after everything I've seen and experienced, there are times when you have to accept that you can't fight something. You have to just stay the course. There's nothing wrong with that - people do it every day. We do the best with what we're given.

ICARUS: But what if you can do *better* with what you're given? I mean, like, look at a bird. A bird can walk, sure. They hop around all the time. But they're given wings, so if they didn't use them, it would just be a waste, right?

[A BEAT. DRAMATIC TECH MUSIC FADES IN AS DAEDALUS SPEAKS.]

DAEDALUS: (Sighs) Look. At the end of the day, all I can do is show you the path I think is safest and hope you walk down it.

[A BEAT.]

DAEDALUS: I hope you will.

[EPISODE FADES OUT.]