

ENDURANCE

Logline:

After losing his legs to an IED, an Afghanistan War veteran commits his life to completing the Boston Marathon one year after the 2013 bombings and to finish the most important race of his life...his commitment to faith and bringing hope to wounded veterans everywhere. Based on a true story.

Summary:

Master Sergeant Cedric King is a soldier and a man of faith with everything to live for until an IED shatters both of his legs and right arm and changes his world in an instant in 2012. After returning home, Cedric goes through the motions of life pushing away his family and loved ones while battling PTSD and unsure of how to adapt with his new reality. Faced with the thought of ending his own life, he chooses instead to fight when witnessing the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing while taking his first steps on blade prosthetics. From that moment, he chooses to reconnect with his family, his faith, and his life's purpose of completing the 2014 Boston Marathon and providing hope to others. His journey takes him to the limits of emotional, spiritual, and physical endurance and guides him back from darkness and into the light of hope.

Overview:

We are introduced to Cedric as he stands on prosthetic blades at the starting line of the Boston Marathon, then follow him back to October 2012 at the US Army outpost in Kandahar, Afghanistan. Cedric's team is ambushed during a routine patrol and after discovering an abandoned bombmaking hut, an IED explodes and shatters his legs and his spirit. His downward spiral continues in the Army hospital when he realizes his legs are gone and life as he knows it changes forever.

Back at home, Cedric distances himself from the ones who love him, including his wife Khieda and his young daughter, Khamari. After fighting off the thought of taking his own life, Cedric vows to turn his life into a purpose: to bring awareness to Wounded Warriors by qualifying and finishing the Boston Marathon.

With Marms, his over-bearing physical therapist at his side, Cedric sets out on a journey of self-discovery and brutal physical and spiritual endurance to overcome the demons inside his mind, heal his soul, and discover that as written in Romans 5:3-4, "More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope."

Setting and Scope:

Based on the incredible true story of Master Sergeant Cedric King, this faith-based script at 102 pages is intended be produced on a low-budget.

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