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**BARRON**

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00:00:12,045 --> 00:00:16,182  
[ MUSIC ]

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00:00:16,182 --> 00:00:16,883  
>> IT'S SO EXCITING.

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00:00:16,883 --> 00:00:18,551  
IT DOESN'T EVEN QUITE FEEL

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00:00:18,551 --> 00:00:20,387  
REAL YET, JUST BEING HONEST.

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00:00:20,387 --> 00:00:27,927  
[ MUSIC ]

6  
00:00:27,927 --> 00:00:29,028  
I JUST DREAMED ABOUT

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00:00:29,028 --> 00:00:30,563  
BEING AN ASTRONAUT AS A KID.

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00:00:30,563 --> 00:00:31,531  
SO BY PURSUING THOSE THINGS

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00:00:31,531 --> 00:00:33,533  
IN SCHOOL, I WAS ABLE TO

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00:00:33,533 --> 00:00:35,335  
EVENTUALLY BRING EVERYTHING

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00:00:35,335 --> 00:00:36,336  
TOGETHER IN MY JOB

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00:00:36,336 --> 00:00:38,304  
AS A SUBMARINE OFFICER

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00:00:38,304 --> 00:00:39,372

IN THE NAVY.

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00:00:39,372 --> 00:00:40,240

AND I REALIZED I HAD

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00:00:40,240 --> 00:00:43,176

A REAL PASSION FOR WORKING

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00:00:43,176 --> 00:00:44,878

IN A TOUGH ENVIRONMENT.

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00:00:44,878 --> 00:00:45,945

AND SOME OF MY MENTORS

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00:00:45,945 --> 00:00:47,347

HELPED ME RECOGNIZE THAT

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00:00:47,347 --> 00:00:49,382

THE ASTRONAUT PROGRAM MIGHT BE

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00:00:49,382 --> 00:00:51,418

A GOOD FIT FOR ME, AND THE MORE

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00:00:51,418 --> 00:00:52,786

I LEARNED ABOUT IT, THE MORE

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00:00:52,786 --> 00:00:54,621

I REALIZED THAT I WANTED TO

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00:00:54,621 --> 00:00:57,157

APPLY AND HOPEFULLY CONTINUE

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00:00:57,157 --> 00:00:58,992

MY SERVICE FROM THE NAVY

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00:00:58,992 --> 00:01:00,727

IN THE ASTRONAUT PROGRAM.

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00:01:00,727 --> 00:01:01,494  
AND I'M JUST REALLY LUCKY

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00:01:01,494 --> 00:01:03,029  
THAT IT WORKED OUT.

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00:01:03,029 --> 00:01:08,835  
[ MUSIC ]

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00:01:08,835 --> 00:01:10,136  
I WAS ACTUALLY HAVING A VERY

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00:01:10,136 --> 00:01:12,038  
BUSY DAY AT WORK, SO I MISSED

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00:01:12,038 --> 00:01:13,473  
THE FIRST CALL FROM HOUSTON

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00:01:13,473 --> 00:01:15,642  
THAT DAY, AND WAS SUPER NERVOUS

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00:01:15,642 --> 00:01:16,376  
THAT THEY DIDN'T LEAVE

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00:01:16,376 --> 00:01:17,610  
A MESSAGE, AND I DIDN'T KNOW

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00:01:17,610 --> 00:01:18,678  
IF IT WAS GOOD NEWS

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00:01:18,678 --> 00:01:19,846  
OR BAD NEWS.

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00:01:19,846 --> 00:01:21,047  
SO I KEPT MY PHONE IN MY HANDS

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00:01:21,047 --> 00:01:22,615

FOR THE NEXT HOUR OR SO,

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00:01:22,615 --> 00:01:24,050

AND I WAS STANDING NEXT TO

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00:01:24,050 --> 00:01:26,252

MY BOSS WHEN I GOT THE CALL IN.

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00:01:26,252 --> 00:01:28,254

ANSWERED IT, AND LUCKY FOR ME,

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00:01:28,254 --> 00:01:30,156

IT WAS POSITIVE NEWS.

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00:01:30,156 --> 00:01:35,862

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00:01:35,862 --> 00:01:37,764

I ALWAYS WAS DRAWN TO SCIENCE

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00:01:37,764 --> 00:01:39,299

AND MATH AS A KID GROWING UP

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00:01:39,299 --> 00:01:41,067

IN SCHOOL, AND SO

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00:01:41,067 --> 00:01:43,269

WHEN I GOT TO THE NAVAL ACADEMY,

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00:01:43,269 --> 00:01:45,104

I WAS LUCKY TO HAVE THE CHOICE

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00:01:45,104 --> 00:01:46,773

OF ALMOST ANY MAJOR YOU CAN

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00:01:46,773 --> 00:01:48,508

IMAGINE, BUT ESPECIALLY

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00:01:48,508 --> 00:01:49,609  
REALLY GREAT ENGINEERING

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00:01:49,609 --> 00:01:51,778  
MAJORS AVAILABLE THERE.

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00:01:51,778 --> 00:01:54,214  
SO I'M DEFINITELY DRAWN TO

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00:01:54,214 --> 00:01:56,816  
THE HARD-- YOU KNOW,

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00:01:56,816 --> 00:01:58,318  
RULES AND LOGIC OF SCIENCE

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00:01:58,318 --> 00:01:59,886  
AND MATH, BUT I LOVE BEING

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00:01:59,886 --> 00:02:01,621  
ABLE TO APPLY THEM CREATIVELY

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00:02:01,621 --> 00:02:03,556  
TO ACCOMPLISHING NEW THINGS.

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00:02:03,556 --> 00:02:06,993  
[ MUSIC ]

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00:02:06,993 --> 00:02:08,228  
I WOULD GIVE THE ADVICE THAT

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00:02:08,228 --> 00:02:10,697  
YOU SHOULD ALWAYS PURSUE THINGS

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00:02:10,697 --> 00:02:12,599  
THAT YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT.

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00:02:12,599 --> 00:02:13,333

IF YOU DON'T LOVE WHAT

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00:02:13,333 --> 00:02:14,300

YOU'RE DOING, YOU'RE NOT

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00:02:14,300 --> 00:02:16,102

GOING TO BE GOOD AT IT.

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00:02:16,102 --> 00:02:17,136

SO I THINK IT'S

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00:02:17,136 --> 00:02:18,771

A COMBINATION OF FINDING

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00:02:18,771 --> 00:02:20,340

THINGS THAT YOU REALLY LOVE

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00:02:20,340 --> 00:02:21,574

AND THAT WILL ALSO BE REALLY

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00:02:21,574 --> 00:02:23,443

CHALLENGING AND FORCE YOU

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00:02:23,443 --> 00:02:25,311

TO GROW ALONG THE WAY.

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00:02:25,311 --> 00:02:34,787

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