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119 EUPHROSINE

Your father and I are concerned,  
Philippine.

120 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

Because I like to pray?!

121 PIERRE

Your friends have told their  
parents, and their parents have  
told us how much time you spend in  
front of...that tabernacle.

122 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

You mean praying in front of the  
Blessed Sacrament is a problem?

123 PIERRE

It is definitely a problem if  
you're thinking of a religious  
vocation. Because you're not going  
to become a nun.

124 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

I want to be a missionary. In order  
to be a missionary, I have to  
become a nun.

125 PIERRE

You will not become either a nun or  
a missionary.

126 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

Two of your sisters are nuns.

127 PIERRE

My sisters made their own choices.  
And my father approved. I don't. I  
want you to live a normal life,  
marry, and have children.

128 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

I don't want to live a *normal* life.

129 PIERRE

Philippine, to become a nun is to  
waste your life. It cannot make you  
happy.

130 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

Shouldn't that be my choice?

131 PIERRE

Not if your parents don't approve.

PHILIPPINE SIGHS132 **YOUNG PHILIPPINE**

Maman, Papa was born a Catholic, but now he doesn't go to Mass. But you do. And when you were my age you and Aunt Charlotte went to Sainte Marie's. You arranged for me and Josephine to go, too. Why do you want me to leave now?

133 **EUPHROSINE**

We wanted a good education for you. But we also want you to be married, to have children. To be as happy as I am. I never thought you'd want to become a nun. Or a missionary.

134 **YOUNG PHILIPPINE**

The two of you should know that I have already given my life to Christ.

135 **PIERRE**

This is nonsense. You are coming home to live with us and you will be married. That's that.

136 **YOUNG PHILIPPINE**

(after a long beat)

I will leave Sainte Marie as you wish, Papa. But I will never marry.

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