

Judge Katy Perry Mocks 'American Idol' Contestant's Christian Parents

American Idol judge Katy Perry—who was raised by evangelist parents—mocked the Christian parents of a 21-year-old contestant, asking him what “Satan music” he would be singing on the show.

It started after Perry asked Israel McFarland about his “interesting” name.

Perry, 37, then jokingly urged the *Idol* contestant to rebel against his parents by following in her footsteps, referring to her song, “I Kissed a Girl and I Liked It.” She told McFarland to make a male version of the song, “I Kissed a Boy and I Liked It.”

“Let me give you a little piece of advice,” said the pop star. “Write a song called ‘I Kissed a Boy and I Liked It’ and let them hear it for the first time on their own on the radio.”

She then transitioned, “All right, Israel. What Satan music are you going to share with us today?”

McFarland told Perry and her fellow judges Lionel Richie and Luke Bryan he would be singing a song he wrote, “The Cost,” which he said is “about, I want to chase my goals, but that just sort of unbearably brings me away from my close friends and I don’t know, man, like life is so [expletive] short.”

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