# **Easter Sunday Skit**

## **ROLES**

Servants (3) Townsperson Jesus Classroom Teacher AV Leader Youth Worship Leaders (2) Youth

## Room Prep

Obviously, you will adapt this concept to your location. We prepared a classroom by covering all walls with purchased "stone wall" coverings. At the front, we decorated the tables holding the snacks with simple purple and gold tablecloths, sheer fabric, and plastic greenery. Covering the back door, we made a large painted doorway to look like a tomb, with a black cloth hiding the entry. Servants were dressed in "common" period robes.

The children were seated at long "banquet style" tables covered in purple and gold drapes, and pre-laid out crown craft materials.





### 10:30 AM

#### **Classroom:**

Classroom Teacher, Worship Leaders, and AV Leader need to be in the classroom ready to begin welcoming the children as they arrive for class. Be sure to great each and every child and introduce yourself to new children. Help them find a seat and wait patiently for class to begin.

#### 10:45 AM

Classroom Teacher will welcome children and wish them a Happy Easter. She will explain that they are honored guests at the Royal Feast. Worship Leaders can start to pass out crowns and Classroom Teacher will direct them to begin decorating them. Worship Leaders can also pass out Prince and Princess coloring pages after the crowns for them to work on once they finish the crowns and to keep the busy for the remainder of class. Classroom Teacher will tell the kids that the servants will be arriving soon to make final preparations for the Royal Feast.

During this time the Servants will be getting into costume and will enter through the front door of the unit. One Worship Leader stands near front door to cue Servants to come in.

#### 11:00 AM

Servants will enter the classroom through the front door conversing with each other about getting ready for the Royal Feast. They will go to the pitchers of juice, fold towels over their arms, and begin pouring drinks.

The script below can be improvised as needed, but the cue lines in red should remain the same so the AV leader knows when to start...

## **My Father's Royal Ball**

SCENE: A BEAUTIFUL BALLROOM PREPARED TO SERVICE THE PRINCES AND PRINCESSES OF THE GREATEST KING EVER BORN.

#### ACT 1- DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THAT GUY THEY CRUCIFIED

- SERVANT 1: HEY DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THAT GUY THAT THEY CRUCIFIED THE OTHER DAY? OH, I SHUDDER TO THINK ABOUT IT.
- SERVANT 2: YES, I DID HEAR OF THAT. THEY SAY HE WAS BEATEN AND WHIPPED. IT MAKES ME TREMBLE AT JUST THE THOUGHT.
- SERVANT 3: WHAT HAPPENED? SUCH A BIG EVENT? HOW DID I MISS IT?
- SERVANT 1: I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU MISSED IT, BUT THEY MADE HIM CARRY HIS OWN CROSS TOO!
- SERVANT 2: FOR MILES AND MILES...AND BEAT HIM THE WHOLE WAY!
- SERVANT 3: WHAAAAT!!! I THOUGHT PILATE COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING THAT THE GUY DID WRONG.
- SERVANT 2: YEAH, BUT THE CROWD WANTED THAT AWFUL BARABAS SET FREE INSTEAD.
- SERVANT 1: WELL, I WAS THERE. IT WAS AWFUL...IT MAKES ME CRY AND TREMBLE WHEN I THINK ABOUT HIS PRECIOUS BODY AND HOW BADLY HE MUST HAVE HURT.
- SERVANT 3: OH MY! HOW AWFUL IT MUST HAVE BEEN TO SEE THE CRUCIFIXION. HIS POOR MOTHER...
- SERVANT 1: THEN THEY LAID HIS PRECIOUS, PRECIOUS BODY IN THAT TOMB...I STILL TREMBLE AT THE THOUGHT OF IT ALL.

\*Worship Leaders need to be at front waiting off to the side for the music to start.

AV SONG - WERE YOU THERE WHEN THEY CRUCIFIED MY LORD?(4 minutes) Sing & Play <u>Stampede</u> Music DVD Or similar song from your music library

#### 11:10 AM

At close of song Servant 2, Servant 1 & Servant 3 begin to pass out snacks as they go through Act 2.

#### ACT 2- DO YOU KNOW WHAT SO AND SO TOLD ME

- SERVANT 2: I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE BIG DEAL WAS ABOUT THIS GUY, BUT I HEARD THAT KING HEROD WAS EVEN SCARED OF HIM WHEN HE WAS JUST A BABY.
- SERVANT 3: NOW WHY WOULD A KING BE AFRAID OF A LITTLE BABY?!
- SERVANT 2: OH, THIS BABY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE SPECIAL. HE WAS THE MESIAH! SEE, MY SISTER'S HUSBAND'S UNCLE'S FRIEND'S WIFE'S COUSIN TOLD ME THAT KING HEROD EVEN ORDERED ALL OF THE BOY BABIES KILLED AFTER HE HEARD THIS BABY WAS BORN.
- SERVANT 1: AND I HEARD THAT HIS FAMILY HAD TO MOVE TO EGYPT AND THEN TO NAZARETH TO SAVE HIS LIFE. IT MUST HAVE BEEN WORTH IT TO THEM BECAUSE I ALSO HEARD THAT HE DID SOME PRETTY MIRACULOUS THINGS OVER THE YEARS.
- SERVANT 3: OH WAIT...I GUESS I DID HEAR ABOUT SOME OF THAT STUFF. DIDN'T HE FEED LIKE 5000 PEOPLE? WHERE DID HE GET ENOUGH MONEY TO FEED THAT MANY PEOPLE!?
- SERVANT 1: NO HE DIDN'T NEED MONEY! HE FED THEM ALL WIL JUST 5 LOAVES OF BREAD AND 2 FISH A YOUNG BOY IN THE CROWD HAD!

I ALSO HEARD THAT ANOTHER TIME HE MADE THOSE TWO BLIND GUYS SEE JUST BY TOUCHING THEIR EYES. AFTER THAT, THEY JOINED HIS CAUSE AND FOLLOWED HIM!

- SERVANT 2: WOW!!! NO WONDER KING HEROD WAS SCARED. THIS GUY WAS VERY POWERFUL. MY SISTER'S HUSBAND'S UNCLE'S FRIEND'S WIFE'S COUSIN SAID HE WAS THERE ONE TIME AND SAW THIS GUY DRIVE AN EVIL SPIRIT OUT OF A MAN!
- SERVANT 1: OH YEAH!!!!AND...AND...THIS FRIEND OF MINE THAT WAS IN NAIN ONE TIME SAW HIM RAISE THIS GUY FROM THE DEAD...YUP...RIGHT OUT OF HIS COFFIN! I MEAN SAW THE GUY'S MOM CRYING AND HIS HEART WENT OUT TO HER. THIS

JESUS GUY TOUCHED THE COFFIN AND BOOM...DUDE SAT UP! NOW THAT'S AN AWESOME POWER!

SERVANT 3: WOW! HOW COULD ONE MAN DO ALL THAT? I BET HE HAS CRIPTONITE RUNNING THROUGH HIS BODY. I MEAN THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME POWER IN THAT BLOOD!

\*Worship Leaders need to be at front waiting off to the side for the music to start.

AV SONG - THERE'S POWER IN THE BLOOD (2 minutes) Sonic Sing & Play Music DVD

## **11:20**

At close of song Servant 2, Servant 1, and Servant 3 begin clearing trash from the table as they go through Act 3.

#### ACT 3- WHO IS THIS GUY ANYWAY

- SERVANT 2: YOU KNOW, THIS JESUS GUY, I'VE HEARD HIM CALLED THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- SERVANT 3: OHHH...THAT PROBABLY MADE SOME PEOPLE MAD!
- SERVANT 1: OBVIOUSLY MAD ENOUGH TO CRUCIFY HIM! BUT HE'S NOT JUST KING OF THE JEWS. HE'S KING OF KINGS, LORD OF LORDS, PRINCE OF PEACE, THE ALPHA & OMEGA, THE IMAGE OF GOD!
- SERVANT 3: WHOA!
- SERVANT 2: WONDERFUL CONSELOR, LAMB OF GOD, AUTHOR OF LIFE, OUR CREATOR, OUR DELIVERER, OUR EVERLASTING FATHER, OUR SAVIOR!
- SERVANT 3: GOSH, OUR SAVIOR, HE MUST HAVE REALLY WANTED TO SAVE US TO GO THROUGH THAT AWFL DEATH! I MEAN GOD COULD HAVE SENT DOWN LEGIONS OF ANGELS OF SAVE HIM BUT HE DIED ANYWAY.
- SERVANT 1: YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT. WE REALLY SHOULD ACCEPT HIM AS OUR SAVIOR.
- SERVANT 2: ACCEPT HIM? NO WE NEEEED HIM! HE'S RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERY BREATH WE TAKE, EVERY BEAT OF OUR HEART....HE'S THE REASON WE LIVE! HE'S IMMANUEL, GOD WITH US...WE NEED TO CARRY HIM CLOSE TO US EVERY DAY!

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AVSONG-DRAW ME CLOSE TO YOU (4 minutes)YOUTUBE - <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iykW\_8t9IPo">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iykW\_8t9IPo</a>Draw Me Close To You – Music by: Michael W. Smith (posted by Razatlad051968)\*Please cue video prior to start of service to make sure ads are skipped and/or closed

### **11:30**

During song Classroom Teacher needs to cue Townsperson and Jesus for Act 4. Make sure townsperson is ready outside the front door to make his entrance and Jesus is ready outside the back door. Jesus enters on Servant 1's cue.

ACT 4- RISEN: I BELIEVE IT WHEN I SEE IT

Townsperson: OH MY GOSH...HE'S ALIVE...HE'S ALIVE...I SAW HIM. I SAW HIM! I SAW HIM!

- SERVANT 3: SETTLE DOWN! SAW WHO? WHO'S ALIVE?
- Townsperson: JESUS...JESUS...THE GUY THAT THEY CRUCIFIED!! I SAW HIM... I SAW HIM... HE'S ALIVE...HE'S ALIVE!!
- SERVANT 1: WHAT!? NO, THEY CRUCIFIED HIM THE OTHER DAY.
- SERVANT 2: YEAH THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. THEY PUT THAT HEAVY STONE IN FRONT OF THE TOMB AND BESIDES, PEOPLE DON'T RISE FROM THE DEAD...WELL EXCEPT WHEN THE DEAD JESUS GUY TOUCHES THEM...AND SINCE HE'S THE ONE THAT'S DEA...
- SERVANT 3: (INTERUPTING)...YOU'RE RIGHT, YOU'RE RIGHT. ALL THAT STUFF YOU TOLD ME, IT'S TRUE! JESUS CAN DO ANYTHING! IF HE COULD RAISE PEOPLE FROM THE DEAD, MAKE BLIND PEOPLE SEE, AND DRIVE EVIL SPIRITS OUT OF PEOPLE, THEN THIS HAS TO BE POSSIBLE TOO!
- SERVANT 1: I DON'T KNOW...ISN'T THIS STRETCHING A LITTLE TOO FAR?

(JESUS WALKS THROUGH AND ALL STOP IN THEIR TRACKS. HE ENTERS FROM BACK DOOR THROUGH TOMB. NO ONE SPEAKS JUST STANDS IN AMAZEMENT. JESUS SMILES AND WALKS THROUGHT ROOM OUT FRONT DOOR.)

\*Worship Leaders need to be at front waiting off to the side for the music to start. \*Music can be cued as soon as Jesus exits

 AV SONG - GOD'S NOT DEAD (4 minutes)

 YOUTUBE - <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgTx8KOsRRw">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgTx8KOsRRw</a>

 God's not dead - Newsboys (lyrics)
 (posted by Luke Telford)

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#### **11:40**

At close of song Classroom Teacher & Servant 2 begin handing out take-home gifts as Servant 1, Servant 3, and Townsperson close the skit.

#### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR US?

- SERVANT 3: WE ARE CELEBRATING THAT OUR FATHER, THE KING OF KINGS IS RISEN. YOU ARE ALL PRINCES AND PRINCESSES BECAUSE YOU'RE FATHER IS THE KING OF KINGS. THAT MEANS YOU HAVE INHERITED PRIVILEGES. YOU GET ALL THE JOY AND BLESSINGS OF THE ETERNAL KINGDOM. YOU CAN LIVE YOUR LIFE WITH HIS WISDOM, GUIDANCE, AND PROTECTION.
- SERVANT 1: THAT'S RIGHT BUT YOU ALSO HAVE RESPONSIBILITY IN HAVING THOSE PRIVILEGES. YOU HAVE TO LIVE YOUR LIFE FOR GOD. LEARN TO TURN AWAY FROM SIN. AND SPREAD HIS WORD TO ALL OF THE WORLD!
- SERVANT 3: SOUNDS LIKE A LOT TO DO!
- SERVANT 1: IT DOES BUT ONE OF THE EASIEST WAYS TO START IS COMING TO WORSHIP ONCE A WEEK.
- SERVANT 3: EASY? IT'S ACTUALLY FUN! WE SING SONGS, PLAY GAMES, DO SOME DOWN RIGHT SILLY STUFF SOMETIMES AND LEARN ABOUT GOD! I LOVE COMING TO WORSHIP!
- SERVANT 1: I LOVE THAT ALL THESE KIDS JOINED US TODAY. ESPECIALLY BECAUSE WE ARE CELEBRATING SUCH AN IMPORTANT DAY!

Townsperson: YEAH! JESUS ROSE! HE ROSE AND SAVED US FROM ALL OF OUR SINS!

SERVANT 3: THAT'S RIGHT, OUR GOD IS AN AWESOME GOD!

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 AV SONG - HE REIGNS/OUR GOD IS AN AWESOME GOD (4 minutes)

 YOUTUBE - <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QCqf7L9dm\_0">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QCqf7L9dm\_0</a>

 Awesome God- kirk franklin w/Lyrics
 (posted by SBCYAM)

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## 11:55

Servant 3 and Servant 1 help the kids gather there things and finish up any coloring or crown decorating and prepare for dismissal.

Servant 2 and Classroom Teacher set up at the front door with desk for dismissal. Please be sure to match tags as parents are picking up children.

#### NOTES:

**Classroom Teacher** – Throughout skit please roam around room handling kids, behavior, and bathroom breaks if needed. You may want to do a bathroom run at the beginning of class while the kids are working on their crowns and you have Worship Leaders available.

**Worship Leaders** – Please make sure you are ready at the start of every song. You do not have to remain at the front of the room for the whole song. For the more upbeat songs feel free to move around the room and encourage kids to participate.

**Servant 2 & Servant 1** – Once dismissal is under way you can leave to go change out of costume for the Easter Egg Hunt.

**Actors** – Items within the skit in red letter are cue lines. Please make sure to use those lines as close to verbatim as possible.