



Holy – Lesson 4

Order of Service (Skit)

1) Introduction

2) Welcome & Memory Verse

Welcome back to the Tree House! It's always fun to see you come into the Tree House. We all look forward to seeing you every week. We hope you have been practicing your memory verse at home. Let's all stand up and do it together.

"For the wages of sin is death (left hand palm up and right hand palm down, then flip them to where left hand palm down and right hand palm up)

but the gift (both hands palm up level with face then push out like you're giving someone a gift)

of God is eternal life (both hands "L" shaped side by side with thumbs pointed up, then move both hands up near face)

through Christ Jesus our Lord" (right hand "L" shaped start at left shoulder then move to right hip).

Romans 6:23

Let's try that one more time. (Repeat using motions above.)

That was awesome! Okay, everyone sit back down, please.

I can tell you have been practicing in your classes and at home. I love that we can celebrate God's Word together and continue to learn more about him. Let's listen and see what Willow is up to today.

3) Skit

Roles:

Storyteller

Willow

Willow: (Enters singing) **I'm so good, I'm so great! I'm going to Heaven because I'm so good! That's right, I'm good!**

Storyteller: **Whoa, hold on just a minute! What are you singing about?**

Willow: **I'm going to Heaven, and I'm excited!**

Storyteller: **That's great! You should be excited.**

Willow: **I know! I am going to Heaven because I am so good! I do what my mom and dad tell me to do, and I am so nice to my sister. I even helped my neighbor carry her groceries into her house and fed her cat for her when she went out of town. That is why I am going to Heaven. I deserve it! I earned it for all the good things I do all the time!**

Storyteller: **Whoa, slow down! Nobody can EARN her way into Heaven. Nobody really DESERVES to go to heaven.**

Willow: **Well I do, I really am sooooooo good.**

Storyteller: **Well, God did make you beautiful and wonderful, but sometimes you still sin, right? The Bible teaches us that we have ALL sinned.**

Willow: **Sometimes I still sin, but I don't really mean to. So that shouldn't count.**

Storyteller: **But God is perfectly holy and has no**

sin, and because we do sin, it separates us from God. We cannot earn our way to Heaven by being good. That is not how it works.

Willow: Well then how does it work?

Storyteller: There was only one way to fix our relationship with God, and he planned it from the very beginning. Jesus came to Earth and lived a life without sinning, and then he died on the cross to take the punishment for our sins away. Jesus makes our relationship with God possible again.

Willow: So there is nothing I can do?

Storyteller: Only one thing.

Willow: What's that?

Storyteller: Accept God's gift of grace and . . .

Willow: Who's Grace?

Storyteller: No, Willow. Grace is not a person. Grace is something given to us that we really do not deserve. We cannot earn it—it is God's gift to us. God forgives all our sin when we go to him and tell him we are sorry and ask him to forgive us. Because Jesus died for us, we can have a new life, but it is ONLY because of the grace of God.

Willow: So we cannot EARN our way into Heaven by being good? Only the grace of God allows us to enter God's kingdom? And I can ask God to forgive me for the times I am not good, and he will?

Storyteller: That's right!

Willow: That's a relief because I am really not that good sometimes.

Storyteller: None of us are; that is why we need God's grace and to remember all that he did for us on the cross.

4) Songs

Wow, isn't it exciting that God loved us so much that he sent us his Son, Jesus? Let's thank him by singing praises to him. Let's jump up and worship him!

5) Prayer & Closing

Thanks for worshiping God with me today. Let's sit and pray before we go back to our rooms. Dear God, we thank you again for loving us so much. Thank you for giving us Jesus and the gift of grace so that we could be forgiven! Amen.

