

Puppet Script

(PJL005)

Keep on going

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PUPPET SCRIPT: “KEEP ON GOING!” (PJL005)

Aim of script: To encourage people to keep on going in their Christian faith even when things get difficult

Use of Script: In an All Age Worship Service setting, this script could be introduced by saying that sometimes it is really hard to follow Jesus and we may be tempted to give up.

The script could be followed by encouraging people to be like St Paul, who sees the Christian journey as a race that we need to keep running until we reach the end.

Main themes: Perseverance, discipleship

Biblical references: Philippians 3:12-14, Hebrews 10:36

Characters: The script is a dialogue between a young boy puppet called “James” who wants to follow Jesus but keeps getting things wrong, and his female friend “Lucy” – a girl puppet, who is also a follower of Jesus. For this script, James is dressed in a white t-shirt. Each puppet is operated by one person from behind a screen and so it is essential that the voices are heard; radio-microphones are ideal. Puppets and puppet screens can be purchased from many sources including <http://www.onewayuk.com/>



Enter Lucy

Lucy: James, James where are you.....I hope you are ready

Enter James dressed in white t-shirt

James: Lucy you’ve just woken me up! *(Yawns loudly)*

Lucy: Come on James it’s time for church.....we are going to be late.

James: I’m not going today Luce.....I’m giving a church a break

Lucy: What? Why James.....I thought you really enjoyed coming along?

James: I do but I’m tired of all the kids at school saying I’m in the..... “God squad”.....

Lucy: Why listen to them James? They don’t know what they are missing....we have such a great time together. Don’t let them stop you James.

James: I suppose so...but then Billy invited me to go and play football with him and you know how much I love playing football.

Lucy: But you’ve got the rest of the day to play football with Billy.....church is only an hour in the morning.

- James: And I need some sleep Lucy....you go.....now leave me alone.
- Lucy: Come on James you can't give up that easily.....
- James: But I've had such a hard week Lucy. Everything seems to have gone wrong....I failed my maths test on Monday and so had an after school detention on Tuesday.
- Lucy: Oh poor you!
- James: On Wednesday my hamster escaped and chewed a big hole in my bedroom carpet. Dad is so cross that he is thinking about getting rid of Smudge.
- Lucy: I'm sure he won't....sometimes parents say things they don't mean when they are cross.
- James: I hope so....anyway on Thursday Elliot kept calling me a sissy because he saw me reading my Bible, so I thought, "I'll show him who the sissy is around here." He now has a dalmatian shirt.
- Lucy: A dalmatian shirt?
- James: A white shirt spotted all over with black ink!
- Lucy: I can guess what happened on Friday...
- James: Another detention, and the kids in the playground saying, "hope you enjoy your God squad on Sunday".....I could have punched them.
- Lucy: Just as well you didn't James
- James: I know....I have already lost my pocket money this week to pay for Elliot's shirt
- Lucy: Oh dear...Sounds like you need to remember what our Sunday school teacher said to us last week.
- James: I cannot remember anything apart from it being a bad week.
- Lucy: Mrs Simmons warned us that sometimes it is hard to follow Jesus because other people will make fun of us, or try and stop us.....but we need to keep going and not give up.
- James: Well Elliot and those kids in the playground certainly gave me a hard time.
- Lucy: I'm sorry James.....hey, why don't you get dressed quickly and come to church with me and then let me treat you to an ice-cream? We could go on to the park and join in with the youth group rounders game.....are you up for that?
- James: Alright Lucy.....thanks for being such a good friend and putting up with my grumps!
- Lucy: Just don't bring along your hamster to church this week James....I couldn't cope with that again!

James: Don't worry Luce.....Smudge is grounded!

Exit James and Lucy