

Puppet Script

(PJG020)

No-hell, no-hell!

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PUPPET SCRIPT: “NO-HELL, NO HELL!” (PJG020)

- Aim of script:** To share the Good news of Christmas; that Jesus came to earth to restore our relationship with our Heavenly Father.
- Use of Script:** This script could be used on Christmas Day. In an All Age Worship Service setting, this script could be preceded by inviting children to come and show people the gifts they have received.
- The script can be followed by teaching about the greatest gift ever given, in other words, Jesus; who was given to all people by the Father on the first Christmas Day. He was given to us as Saviour so that our sins could be forgiven and so that we could have an eternally restored relationship with our Heavenly Father.

Main themes: Christmas, The Gospel, Good news, Incarnation

Biblical references: John 3:16-17, John 14:1-6

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 wise old “Grandad” puppet who helps to sort him out. 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 James singing loudly to the tune of the carol, “Nowell, nowell”

James: “No-hell, no-hell, no-hell no-hell,

Enter Grandad

Grandad: James, ssshhh.....what a noise! You’ll wake your parents if you are not careful and it is only three o’clock in the morning. What are you doing?

James: Oh Grandad, it is so exciting.....look at my stocking....it is absolutely full of presents.....

Grandad: I can see that it is full of presents....but they all seem to be unwrapped.....

James: I just couldn’t wait Grandad.....I have been awake most of the night and by two o’clock I could hear my presents calling out to me saying that they were fed up with being cooped up in all of that wrapping paper.

Grandad: I see.....so you just had to undo them all?

James: Yes Grandad....and it is really exciting....you won’t believe what I have got.

Grandad: Come on then James....tell me a few of the things you have been given.

- James: A bouncy ball, a packet of felt tip pens, a whoopee cushion.....I'm going to have such a lot of fun with that with one of my teachers....Miss "Bossy boots."
- Grandad: I didn't know you had any teachers called by that name James
- James: We don't...it's what I call my Science teacher because she is always telling me off....well I shall have a lot of fun when she sits on my whoopee cushion in my next science lesson.
- Grandad: Oh dear....you would have thought that Father Christmas would have known better than to have given you one of those. What else have you got?
- James: Empty bags of maltezers, skittles, smarties, jelly babies and wine gums.
- Grandad: Empty bags James?
- James: Grandad it's Christmas day.....the one day of the year when you can't get into trouble....so I ate all of my sweets in one go so that I wouldn't get into trouble for not sharing them with anyone.
- Grandad: Are you feeling alright James?
- James: A little bit sick but never mind.....I enjoyed my middle of the night sweet feast. And look Grandad.....do you like the colour of my toe nails?
- Grandad: What on earth have you done James.....they are all black?
- James: I painted them with my new poster paints.....don't they look just cool?
- Grandad: I'm just wondering what colour your sheets have become....your poor mum. Well I'm looking forward to a bit more sleep James.....but before I go back to bed, can I ask you what you were singing when I came in....it sounded like "no-hell, no-hell?"
- James: It was Grandad....I didn't think that I could get into trouble for singing a carol.
- Grandad: No...and that is a wonderful carol....but it isn't "no-hell" James, but "nowell".
- James: Oh....I see Grandad....but what does "Nowell" mean.....it sounds like a very funny word to me?
- Grandad: Nowell means Christmas James.
- James: Oh...that makes sense now....and I love Christmas.....so many presents and lots to eat and the Nativity play.....that was fun.
- Grandad: I love Christmas too James.
- James: Why do you love Christmas Grandad because you don't seem as bothered about the presents as I am?
- Grandad: I love the fact that Father God sent us all a very special present.

James: So you are bothered about presents after all Grandad?

Grandad: This particular present James is so wonderful that of course I'm bothered about it.

James: Go on Grandad....tell me what it is.

Grandad: Father God sent us all the present of His precious Son Jesus.

James: Jesus?

Grandad: Yes James Jesus. Jesus came to earth to put right our relationship with Father God by dealing with our sin once and for all. He came to open the door of heaven for each one of us and that is very wonderful.

James: So if Jesus came to open the door of heaven for us, we don't have to go to hell even if we have done bad things Grandad?

Grandad: That's right James....we don't have to go to hell because Jesus came to be our Saviour. In fact you were right when you sang "No-hell, no-hell".....Jesus has come so that we might spend eternity with Him in heaven if we choose to accept Him and love him while we live on earth.

James: Wow that is a good present Grandad!

Grandad: It certainly is James.....now young man....I'm off to my bed or I won't be able to enjoy celebrating later on today. Goodnight or should I say Good morning James.

James: Goodnight Grandad.

Exit Grandad. James starts to sing

"No-hell, no-hell, no-hell, no-hell, I can go to heaven as well!"

Exit James