

Puppet Script

(PJL004)

Choices, choices

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PUPPET SCRIPT: “CHOICES, CHOICES!” (PJL004)

Aim of script: To encourage people to think about the choices that they make each day and to choose to do the things that please the Lord.

Use of Script: In an All Age Worship Service setting, this script could come after an introduction has been given about the different choices we make each day; with some choices being more important than others.

The script can be followed by the readings from Ephesians and Matthew and some practical examples on how to apply this teaching.

Main themes: Personal choice, living to please the Lord, loving others, discipleship

Biblical references: Ephesians 5:8b,10, Matthew 7:12

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. 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

James: Good or bad....right or wrong, we have to choose each day.....

Enter Lucy

Lucy: Hi James.....I need your help.

James: Go on then what’s the problem?

Lucy: Should I wear my pink dress to Bill’s party or my blue dress?

James: Wear what you like!

Lucy: Oh James that isn’t helpful....which dress do you think I look best in?

James: Well I suppose the blue one goes well with your eyes and the pink one works well with your hair

Lucy: James do try and be serious. This is a really important choice for me.

James: I suppose it is... cos you are a girl after all

Lucy: And what’s that meant to mean?

- James: I, as a boy on the other hand have a much harder choice to make today
- Lucy: Go on then, what's your choice?
- James: Whether to give my younger sister a live maggot sandwich to eat.....
- Lucy: Oh that is gross!
- James: Don't interrupt me Lucy.....I have a big decision to make.
- Lucy: I can see that....so what's the alternative to giving your sister a disgusting sandwich?
- James: Weeding the garden for my Grandad as he has got a bad back at the moment.
- Lucy: *(rather sarcastically)* Hard choice James
- James: It is rather Lucy.....you know how I love a practical joke.
- Lucy: Don't I know it?
- James: Ben gave his sister a live maggot sandwich at the weekend and he thought it was hilarious when she swallowed the first maggot before she realised what she had eaten.
- Lucy: Poor Hannah.....I bet she didn't think it was hilarious
- James: No she probably didn't....but it would be fun to see how my sister reacts!
- Lucy: Have you ever tried eating a live maggot sandwich James?
- James: Oh Lucy, don't be daft
- Lucy: I'm not James....I was just thinking of a memory verse we learnt in holiday club last summer.....it was something that Jesus said about what we do to others...I'm struggling to remember it.
- James: I remember it. Jesus said, "*in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you*" Matthew chapter seven, verse twelve.
- Lucy: Well remembered James....you have got a better memory than me.
- James: Of course I have.....I am a boy after all!
- Lucy: I shall ignore that.....anyway does that memory verse help you choose what to do this afternoon?
- James: Yes I suppose it does.....
- Lucy: So what are you going to choose James? Maggot sandwich for your sister or weeding for your Grandad?

James: Well....I am going to go and do some weeding for Grandad. If I had a bad back, I would want some help.....and I love my Grandad very much so I want to help him.

Lucy: Oh....that's kind James

James: And....

Lucy: Is there an and?

James: Yes Lucy. And I will give my sister an egg and cress sandwich

Lucy: For a moment I thought you were going to say something horrible

James: Of course not Lucy....what's wrong with a raw egg?

Exit James and Lucy