

“GONE FISHING”

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Synopsis

Death, Sin, and the Grave take time out of their busy day to go fishing and celebrate their victory over Jesus. Unfortunately, their celebration is cut short when they notice Jesus on the shore frying fish.

Scripture(s)

1 Corinthians 15:55-57
John 21:1-9

Ministry Lesson

Through the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ we have been freed from the bondage of sin; the sting of death; and the hold of the grave.

Ministry Focus

Impact of Jesus' Resurrection

Genre: Comedy

Cast

Death - Adult male
Sin - Adult male
Grave - Adult male

Costumes

Each character is wearing a tee-shirt with their character name printed on the front in large white letters.

Sin - Red tee-shirt
Death - Black tee-shirt
Grave - Green tee-shirt

Props

- Three chairs, center stage
- Three fishing rods
- Tackle box
- One small personal cooler
- Three can sodas (Coke or any name brand)
- Pair of binoculars

Sound Effect

None

Time: 12 min.

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EXT. DAY - IN A FISHING BOAT

DEATH, SIN, AND GRAVE WALK OUT ON A DOCK PREPARING TO FISH. THREE CHAIRS ARE POSITIONED SIDE-BY-SIDE ON STAGE. EACH MAN HAS A FISHING ROD. SIN ALSO HAS THE SMALLER COOLER;CONTAINING A PAIR OF BINOCULAR AND SODAS. (YES, PUT THE BINOCULARS INSIDE OF THE COOLER)

SIN

Well guys here we are, fishing on the Sea of Galilee. Taking time to relax and celebrate our victory over Jesus. That was a Good Friday for us!

DEATH

(confused)

(Fumbling with the fishing rod) I can't figure out how to use this thing.

GRAVE

(Holding rod upside down) This is the weirdness stick I've ever seen. What is it?

SIN

It's called a fishing rod. People use it to catch fish.

DEATH

I've never seen anything like this before. Is this from Rome?

SIN

No, it's from the future. I got it at a store called WalMart.

DEATH

(Frustrated)

Well, I came out here to relax and celebrate, not to struggle with this fishing stick for 2 hours.

GRAVE
(Jittery)
Celebrate? (tries to act calm) Oh yeah,
that's right, celebrate.

SIN OPENS THE COOLER.

SIN
Well, let's celebrate! Look what I got.
(Gulls out a soda and hands it to Death)
This is for you. (Pulls out another
soda for Grave) And this is for you!
(Grabs a soda for himself)

GRAVE
Is this from the future also?

SIN
Yep! Just 3 shekels, or \$1.49!

THEY TAKE A DRINK

DEATH
I'll never catch any fish fooling around
with this thing (shaking the fishing
rod) I'm starved to DEATH.

GRAVE
(Still nervous)
Hey guys, maybe we should go back to
work. I have to keep an eye on everyone
in the tombs.

SIN
Grave, relax/ They're not going
anywhere. They're dead!

DEATH
(To Grave) Yeah, you haven't been the
same since Jesus raised Lazarus.

GRAVE

Well, no one ever escaped from me
before. (Takes a drink)

SIN

That was before Jesus started showing
off. It was bad enough He healed the
sick, and cast out demons, but he went
too far when he brought Lazarus back to
life. But you don't have to worry about
that happening again, 'cause we took
care of that!

DEATH GIVES SIN A HIGH-FIVE

DEATH

That's right, Jesus was tough, but I
finally got him. Now, He's deader than
a doornail.

SIN AND DEATH START LAUGHING, BUT GRAVE HAS A VERY "GRAVE"
LOOK ON HIS FACE

GRAVE

Look guys, I...I got something to tell
you...

SIN

Hey Death, remember when Jesus was
hanging on the cross. Just before you
arrived, I put all the sin of the world
on him.

THEY LAUGH HYSTERICALLY

GRAVE

(Trying to interrupt) Hey Guys,
there's... there's something I really
need to let you know...

DEATH

(To Sin) I was surprised He lived
through the soldier's beatings. But on
that old rugged cross, with His arms
stretched out wide, he looked up to
heaven, hung His head and died.

SIN

I'll drink to that!

SIN AND DEATH TAP THEIR SODA CANS TOGETHER AND FALL OUT
LAUGHING. THEN GRAVE NOTICES ANOTHER FISHING BOAT IN THE
DISTANCE.

GRAVE

(Looking out) Hey, are those Jesus'
disciples in that fishing boat over
there?

ALL LOOK OUT, CENTER LEFT.

DEATH

(Straining to see) Yeah, I think that's
Peter, so what? (Takes a drink)

SIN

(Shouting) Hey, Peter, Peter, it's me,
Sin. Oh, don't act you don't know me.
We were just talkin' a couple days ago.
It was just before you denied knowing
Jesus, remember?

DEATH

Oh he remembers.

DEATH AND SIN BURST INTO LAUGHTER.

GRAVE

(Extremely nervous) Look guys, there's
something I need to tell you!

SIN AND DEATH IGNORE GRAVE'S PLEA.

DEATH

Now that Jesus is dead, His disciples
don't know what to do (Shouting to
Peter) Hey Pete, catch any fish?
(Laughing) Hey, you better not fall out
that boat and drown, cause' I'll have to
come get you too.

SIN AND DEATH SHARE A LAUGH, HIGH-FIVE.

GRAVE

(Puzzled)

Hey, what is Peter doing? Seems like
he's shouting to someone on the shore.

SIN

(Curious)

Why are they pulling up their fishing
net? They didn't catch anything. Now
they are casting it out on the other
side of the boat.

DEATH

(Sarcastic)

Oh that's real smart. (Shouting) Hey
Pete, fish don't swim only under one
side of the boat, duh!

GRAVE

Hey, looks like they caught something.
(beat) Wow, look at all those fish.
They can hardly pull up the net.

THEY LOOK DOWN AT THE FISHING RODS THEY ARE HOLDING IN
THEIR HANDS, THINKING "THIS WILL NEVER WORK".

DEATH

(Upset) See, I told you these things
don't work. (Throws down his rod).

SIN

What in the world is Peter doing? He
just jumped into the water.

DEATH

(Taking off his shoes) That's it, I'm going after him. I tried to give him a break, but I guess he wants to die like his buddy Jesus.

SIN

(Holds Death back) No, he's swimming to that guy on shore. (Looking out center right) Who is that? Looks like he's cooking something. (Pulls out a pair of binoculars)

GRAVE BEGINS TO ACT REALLY NERVOUS.

DEATH

(Starring at binoculars) Let me guess...WalMart!

SIN

(Looking through binoculars) Oh no, it can't be.

DEATH GRABS THE BINOCULARS TO LOOK.

DEATH

It's impossible!

SIN AND DEATH TURN AND GIVES GRAVE A STERN LOOK. GRAVE ACTS AS IF HE DOESN'T NOTICE THEM, TRIES TO WHISTLE AS HE LOOKS AWAY.

DEATH

(Infuriated)

GRAVE! That's Jesus over there frying fish. How did Jesus get out of the tomb?

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