

# **“LOVED ONES”**

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## **Synopsis**

A mother is temporarily reunited with her daughter after a tragic accident. Through ensuing dialogue we learn they are both deceased. Due to her daughter's lifestyle, the mother thinks her daughter can't get into Heaven, however to the surprise of the mother, she realizes that she is the one who can't enter Heaven (because she never accepted Christ), not her daughter.

## **Scripture:**

Romans 3:20; 10:9

## **Ministry Lesson:**

Salvation is not based on who we are, how nice we are, or what we do. Salvation is based solely on our faith in Jesus Christ.

## **Ministry Focus:**

Salvation

**Genre:** Drama

## **Cast:**

Daughter (Tonya) - Teenager  
Mother - 35-40  
Grandmother - 55+

## **Props:**

Wide black ribbon

**Time:** 5 mins.

## **Sound Effect:**

None

## **Costumes:**

Tonya - Very casual - Jeans and shirt  
Mother - Dress  
Grandmother - White dress

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EXTERIOR - HEAVEN'S GATE

THERE IS A WIDE RIBBON ON THE FLOOR/STAGE TO SEPARATE THE MOTHER AND DAUGHTER. NEITHER CAN REACH ACROSS THE LINE TO TOUCH EACH OTHER. THE MOTHER IS STANDING CENTER STAGE RIGHT OF THE DIVIDING LINE (RIBBON) WAITING FOR HER DAUGHTER. SHE IS FANNING HERSELF TO KEEP COOL.

**MOTHER**

My goodness, it sure is warm in here today. I just can't wait to see my baby. *(walks around looking at the room, still fanning)*

DAUGHTER ENTERS. SHE IS UN-NOTICED BY HER MOTHER. TONYA IS GLAD TO SEE HER MOTHER BUT HOLDS BACK HER EMOTION.

**TONYA**

Hi, ma.

**MOTHER**

*(holding back tears)*

Oh Tonya. It's been nearly a year. I've missed you so... baby, you been okay?.... you all right?.... *(ad-lib)*.

**TONYA**

Yea mama, I'm fine. I really like your dress.

**MOTHER**

Really! Your father bought this for me *(modeling dress)*.

**TONYA**

*(shocked)*

Dad?!

**MOTHER**

Yes. He actually picked it out himself.

**TONYA**

How is Dad?

**MOTHER**

He was okay, when I last saw him. He really struggled when you...left.

**TONYA**

I know.

**MOTHER**

He loved you so much; and so did I.

(Hurt)

**TONYA**

Why didn't you tell me before my accident?

**MOTHER**

Baby, I thought you knew how much I loved you. After your accident, I cried everyday for months. Your Dad too.

(Reminiscing)

**TONYA**

It was all so fast. My friends and I were driving home from the movies when the car hit us head-on. We never had a chance to get out of the way.

(Grieved)

**MOTHER**

I know. We learned that it was a drunk driver who killed you.

**TONYA**

Not just me, but my friends too.

(Pause) So Ma, what happened to you?

**MOTHER**

Well, I got really sick. I was in the hospital for weeks. The doctors did all they could do, but I guess it was just my time. Your Dad was holding my hand when I died.

MOTHER (cont'd)

(Awkwardly joking) You know, it's true what they say, "Tomorrow is not promised!" (Passionately looks at Tonga) But we're together now Tonya. (Holding out arms) Baby, I just want to hold you in my arms again

TONYA

That's not possible. I can't come over to you, and you can't come over to me. We're not in the same place.

MOTHER

You mean, you're in... you're in.... (Hysterical) No! No! You can't be! Why didn't you listen to me? All my life I tried to teach you right from wrong, but you just wouldn't listen. You were disobedient, you got in trouble all the time. Now look where you are!

TONYA

(Painfully trying to explain) Mama, remember Grandma's funeral?

MOTHER

(Still upset) What!?

TONYA

Grandma's funeral; three years ago.

MOTHER

Yes, yes, I remember, what about it?

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- End of Preview -

The mother will soon come to the heartbreaking realization that she is the one who cannot cross over into Heaven.

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