

“BAD HABITS”

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Synopsis

A young man (James) has been praying for a new job. He has finally been called for an interview, unfortunately, he's bringing his "bad habits" to the interview with him. God sends an Angel to let James know his bad habits are preventing him receiving blessings God has for him.

Scripture:

Deuteronomy 28:1 - *"If you indeed obey the Lord your God and are careful to observe all of his commandments I am giving you today, the Lord your God will elevate you above all the nations of the earth.*

Ministry Lesson

We often pray for God to bless us (or promote or elevate us), but often times we hold ourselves back because we hold on to bad habits, attitudes, and relationships that are not in line with God's word.

Ministry Focus

Obedience

Genre

Comedy

Cast

James Walters - (male 21-30)
Bad Habit - (male - any age older than James)
Angel - (female - any age older than James)
Secretary - (female - 17+)

Costumes

Shirt and tie - James
White clothing/dress - Angel
Tee-shirt with the words "Bad Habit" - Bad Habit
Everyday attire - Secretary

Props

- Thick rope tied between James and Bad Habit
- 3 waiting room chairs
- Cell phone (white cover)
- Personal resume

Screen Slides (optional)

If your church has visual projection capability

Slide 1 - James and Bad Habit gambling
Slide 2 - James and Bad Habit drunk
Slide 3 - James and Bad Habit flirting with a woman

Time: 10 mins.

Bad Habits

INT. OFFICE WAITING (LOUNGE) AREA

THE SECRETARY, JAMES AND BAD HABIT ENTER THE WAITING AREA.

*There is a thick rope tied between James and Bad Habit.
Everywhere James goes, his bad habit follows him.*

SECRETARY

(Ad-lib small talk as they enter)

Just have a seat Mr. Walters. Let me check to see if the manager is ready for you. Do you have a resume?

JAMES

Oh yes. (Hands Secretary his resume)

SECRETARY

Great. I'll just be a moment.

SECRETARY EXITS

JAMES AND BAD HABIT SIT DOWN. JAMES TAKES THE MIDDLE SEAT.

JAMES

(Nervously rubbing hands together) Man, my wife and I have been praying I get this job.

BAD HABIT

Me too. I wonder what time you'll need to be at work. You know we like to sleep late.

JAMES

Yeah, but I gotta do better. I lost my last job because I was always late.

BAD HABIT

Who cares! We didn't like that job anyway.

JAMES

True, but this job is much better. This will be a promotion. I'll learn a lot and make more money!

BAD HABIT

Yeah, but you'll also have to work more hours. You know how we like to go to Happy Hour at 5 o'clock to get half-price drinks.

THEY LAUGH

JAMES

Yeah, we've done a lot of crazy things, (Recovers) but I've been really praying for a good job.

WOMAN (ANGEL) ENTERS AND TAKES A SEAT NEXT TO JAMES.

ANGEL

Hi James.

JAMES

(Surprised) Well, hello. Uh, do I know you?

ANGEL

Maybe, but I know you. I've known you all your life.

JAMES

Yea right. How do you know me?

ANGEL

God assigned me to you. I'm an Angel.

JAMES AND BAD HABIT LAUGH

JAMES

Okay, so where are your wings?

ANGEL

Angels don't need wings to fly. We are not bound by the laws of gravity. It's a bit too deep for humans to understand.

JAMES

Okay, okay, I'll play along. So, what's up Miss Angel?

ANGEL

God told me to let you know, He has heard your prayer, but He can't elevate you as long as you are (looking at Bad Habit) "tied" to your Bad Habit.

BAD HABIT HOLDS ROPE.

BAD HABIT

Hey, James and I have been friends for a loooong time.

ANGEL

(Disturbed) Was I talking to you?

BAD HABIT

(Backs down) My Bad.

JAMES

Well, honesty, I don't think my bad habits are that bad. I mean, I haven't broken any laws.

ANGEL

God has a higher standard than man's law. Let's see what some of God's concerns are.

ANGEL PULLS OUT A WHITE CELL PHONE.

- End of Preview -

The laughs really start when the Angel begins to tell James about his many bad habits. Of course Bad Habit has an excuse for everything. Great sketch to teach that God will bless good behavior and not bad behavior.
