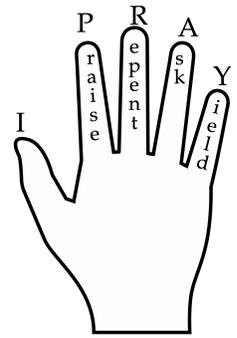


Repent Skit

Characters 1. Child (seen) 2. GOD (unseen)

Stage Setting - No particular setting is necessary - you could have a plant with holes in the leaves and with weeds as an illustration.



Child: *Our Father, who art in heaven.*

GOD: Yes?

Child: Here we go again.

GOD: Keep going.

Child: *Okay, Hallowed be thy name. Lord, your name is holy. You are so good to me. I loved the rainbow you put in the sky yesterday. Thank you for your love.*

GOD: You're welcome. Thanks for noticing.

Child: *Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*

GOD: Do you really mean that?

Child: Of course!

GOD: Good! We will talk about My will a little later. Keep going.

Child: *Give us this day our daily bread. Wait. Why am I praying for bread?*

GOD: It just means to pray for things you need. Keep going.

Child: (Disappointed) *Oh, okay. Where was I? Oh yes. Forgive us our trespasses...*

GOD: Ahh! Here we go! Which ones?

Child: Huh? Which ones what?

GOD: Trespasses. You said, Forgive us our trespasses.

Child: Yes, but it's just part of the prayer. (pause) What are trespasses?

GOD: Well, if you walked into someone's house and poured trash in their house, you would be trespassing.

Child: What? I would never do that! That's awful!

GOD: Remember when you cheated on your spelling test?

Child: Wait, you know about that?

GOD: Ye-e-es. Every time you break one of my commandments, you trespass. It's like having garbage in your heart. That garbage separates you from me.

Child: Do you mean trespasses are sins?

GOD: Yes, trespasses are sins. Everyone sins.

Child: Everyone? Even my parents?

GOD: Yes. Even your parents. Think about that plant we have talked about. It is rooted and grounded in My love. You have praised me and the softened seedling was able to reach to the light. My spirit within you is like that plant.

Child: Yes, I remember.

GOD: As my spirit leads you, your heart allows my spirit to grow. When you read your scriptures, pray, listen and watch for my love, it feeds and fertilizes my spirit within you.

Child: That's good, right?

GOD: Right. But, things happen. Life happens. When you stop watering and feeding a plant, it starts to wither. It gets weak. Bugs come chew on it. Diseases begin to take over. That is like what sin does to your heart.

Child: So, I have bugs in my heart?

GOD: Well, kind of. Bugs are like temptations to sin. Diseases are like selfishness and dishonesty.

Child: Like cheating on a test. But...but what can I do about it? How can I fix it?

GOD: You can't.

Child: I can't?

GOD: Nope.

Child: Wha-at?

GOD: No, you can't fix it — — But, I can.

Child: Ohhhh! You can?

GOD: Of course! My son Jesus already paid for your sin. All you have to do is ask!

Child: Yay! Wait! How do I ask?

GOD: Just say, Please forgive me for (pause) . Name the garbage. And really mean it. Be specific. One of my friends in the scriptures wrote: *Create in me a clean heart, oh God and renew a right spirit within me.* Do you want a clean heart?

Child: Yes, I do! Okay, here I go... Dear God, I want a clean heart with no bugs and no disease. I'm really sorry for cheating. I know it was wrong. Please forgive me.

GOD: Done! You're forgiven.

Child: Really?

GOD: Really. The next step is to tell your teacher that you are sorry and make things right. Will you do that?

Child: Yes, if you help me.

GOD: Sure! All you have to do is ask! But, wait! There's more!

Child: More?

GOD: Yes. There's always more! When you repent, it's like plant spray to kill the bugs and diseases from your plant. A healthy plant can resist disease and pests. A clean heart can resist temptation and sin.

Child: Wow! It can?

GOD: Yes, it can! My son, Jesus, covers you with His robe of righteousness and your sins are no more.

Child: Wow! That's awesome! It's like a bullet proof vest! (pause for a bit)

Hey, God?

GOD: Yes?

Child: Could you help me to know when I need to repent?

GOD: Absolutely! All you have to do is ask!