



SESSION 2

BIBLE STORY SKIT

Jesus Helps a Young Girl and a Sick Woman

Materials: Microphone, two business cards.

Preparation: Hand microphone to Cindy-Sue. Hand business cards to Jack.

Characters

Cindy-Sue Saddlesho: Pushy TV reporter

Jackie T. Carbunkle: Ambulance-chasing lawyer

Witness 1: Woman on the street

Witness 2: Man on the street

Scene: Outside a home in Galilee. A large crowd has gathered.

Cindy-Sue: *(Holding microphone, speaks to audience as if to a camera.)* I'm Cindy-Sue Saddlesho, ace reporter for Galilee TV News. For those of you just joining us, there's a sick young girl in this house. Her father is the synagogue ruler, Jairus. He has gone to ask Jesus, the famous teacher and healer, to help her.

Jack: *(Pushes his way through crowd.)* Excuse me! Pardon me! Important lawyer . . . gotta get through!

Cindy-Sue: *(Pushes microphone in Jack's face.)* Sir, wait! What's your name? Are you the sick girl's lawyer?

Jack: *(To audience as if to camera.)* Jackie T. Carbunkle, attorney-at-law. Hurt your back? Just call Jack!

Cindy-Sue: *(To Jack.)* Tell me, Mr. Carbunkle, how is your client feeling?

Jack: Well if you must know, she isn't my client yet! But I heard she's nearly dead, and I'm here to make sure she knows her rights! *(Sees Witness 1. Hands her a business card.)* Jackie T. Carbunkle, attorney-at-law. Slip 'n fall? Gimme a call!

Witness 1: Well, I'm not hurt, but I was sick for years! I went to doctor after doctor, and no one could help me.

Jack: *(Excited.)* Really? I can make sure you never have to worry about doctor bills again!

Witness 1: But that's the thing—I'm not sick like I used to be.

Cindy-Sue: *(To audience.)* You heard it here first! The sick woman is now . . . *(Looks at Witness 1.)* Sicker? *(Witness 1 shakes her head.)* Help me out, then! What happened?

Witness 1: Well, I heard that Jesus was in the area. And I knew that He has healed many people. I knew He could heal me, too!

Cindy-Sue: *(To audience.)* Aha! So this brave woman marched right up to Jesus, and He healed her!

Witness 1: Well, not exactly . . . Jesus was on His way here to see this young girl. There were crowds all around Him. But I thought, if I can just touch the hem of His robe, I'll be healed.

Cindy-Sue: *(To audience.)* Another tragic story of illness making people delusional. *(To Witness 1.)* So what made you think clothing can heal?

Witness 1: I didn't think His ROBE would heal me . . . I believed that because Jesus is so powerful, even touching His robe would save me. And I knew the crowd would never let me in if they knew I was sick. So I quietly slipped through the crowd and touched Jesus' robe.

Jack: (*Excited.*) So did the crowd get angry? Were you injured?

Witness 1: Not at all. Jesus stopped and asked who had touched Him. I was terrified! But I admitted I had touched His robe. Jesus was so kind and patient that He said because of my faith, I was healed!

Jack: (*Disappointed.*) Well, if you start to feel sick again, call me.

Witness 1: I won't! I'm all better. I'm right as rain! Healthy as a horse! My friends and family won't believe it! I'm on my way home right now to tell them all about Jesus and how He helped me. (*Witness 1 exits.*)

Cindy-Sue: (*Witness 2 enters as Cindy-Sue is speaking to audience.*) For those of you just joining us, on Jesus' way to heal a young girl, a sick woman sneaked through the crowd, touched Jesus' robe and was healed!

Jack: (*Sees Witness 2. Hands him a business card.*) Jackie T. Carbunkle, attorney-at-law. Is your donkey broke? I'm your bloke!

Witness 2: Actually, I don't have a donkey. I just know that when the young girl died—

Cindy-Sue: She's dead?! (*To audience.*) What a tragic turn of events! You heard it here first, folks. The sick girl is now dead.

Witness 2: No, no. You don't understand. She WAS dead, but she isn't anymore!

Cindy-Sue: (*To audience.*) You heard it here first, folks! The dead girl is now just sick!

Jack: Hold on! Is she sick or is she dead?

Witness 2: She was sick. Then she was dead. Now she isn't sick or dead.

Cindy-Sue: (*To Jack.*) How do you think this will affect your case?

Jack: I'm not sure. But I'll definitely look into it. (*To Witness 2.*) So what happened with the girl?

Witness 2: When the girl died, I went to get Jairus. I told him the girl had died. So Jairus and Jesus hurried here. But Jesus said that the girl wasn't really dead. She was only sleeping.

Cindy-Sue: So Jesus was confused?

Witness 2: No! He meant that He could still heal her—even from death! He went inside the house. She was lying on her bed, dead. But I hear that Jesus told her to get up, and she DID! She was completely healthy!

Cindy-Sue: (*To audience.*) You heard it here first, live on Galilee TV News! Jesus healed Jairus's daughter AND a sick woman, all in one day. This is Cindy-Sue Saddleshoo. Goodnight. (*Pauses for a moment, smiling widely and then exits.*)

Jack: (*Disappointed.*) So you mean to tell me that there are NO sick people here? (*Witness 2 shakes his head, no.*) And NO dead people? (*Witness 2 shakes his head, no.*) And nobody is even injured?

Witness 2: Well, it looks like you're not needed here.

Jack: (*Excited.*) That's alright. While I'm down this way, I'm going to talk to some fishermen. (*Witness 2 and Jack exit, as Jack continues talking.*) They want to sue the mayor because they didn't catch any fish all day! And one of them says he got seasick . . .