

WISDOM – Week 1 Skit

Definition: An understanding of God’s truth that guides my actions

Verse: JAMES 3:17 (NLT) – “But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere!”

WEEK 1 FINISH LINE (7/5): All wisdom comes from God

Scriptures: Proverbs 2:1-8

At Home Stage Suggestions:

- Choose an area inside or outside of your house as the stage. Since the drama talks about a forest, you may want to perform this one outside.
- For props you will need a laptop, picnic basket, phone, map, a “5 cents” sign (like in Charlie Brown), and a Bible.
- Don’t forget to add costumes! You could have the Owl wear a fluffy jacket or something with feathers, or you could make an owl mask. For Little Red Riding Hood, she could wear a cape or red clothes.

Helpful Hints:

- Stage directions (what the characters are supposed to do) are written in *ITALICS*.
- Owl is supposed to be perched in a tree so you could use a ladder, stool, or chair to be the “tree.”

Scene opens. Owl is standing by tree and sign.

Little Red Riding Hood (LRR) is walking across the stage toward the owl. She is disheveled, distracted, trying to keep up with her picnic basket, her laptop, her glasses, map etc. She is a mess.

LRR: Sigh. Ugh. I cannot get a WIFI signal in here. Oh there's a password. Oh no. What's the password? Okay, let me try my phone. *(Hold the phone up to the sky)* Oh great! This isn't working either. It's this forest! All the trees! I'm never going to get to my grandmother's house! And she's so sick and I made her all this chicken soup. And it's getting cold. My computer isn't working, and my phone is running out of battery. And this map is just useless...because I can't read it. I don't know which way is the right way to go. I need something to guide me and NONE of this is working!

LRR walks into or bumps into the owl's tree because she isn't paying attention.

LRR: Oh sorry, I didn't see you there. I mean, you aren't on my map. Well, I don't think you are. I'm Little Red Riding Hood and I made this chicken soup for my sick grandmother and I am trying to get to her house.... but I can't find it. And...I don't know if you can help me, but...

Owl: Whooooo are you?

LRR: Oh me? I am little Red Riding Hood! See my hood? It's red. So yeah. Little Red Riding Hood.

Owl: That's a lot of stuff you have there with you, Little Red Riding Hood.

LRR: Right? And it's all so heavy. This picnic basket alone weighs close to twenty pounds. I know, because I weighed it.

Owl: You weighed it?

LRR: I did! See, I really want to help my grandmother. You see she isn't feeling well and so I did a ton of research and I gathered together everything that I could find to make her better.

Owl: What's wrong with your grandmother?

LRR: How should I know? I'm a kid. I'm not a doctor! So I just looked up every sickness I could find on Web MD and I gathered up everything she could possibly need. Chicken soup and Kleenex in case she has a stuffy nose, popsicles in case she has a sore throat, Gatorade in case she has a tummy ache, some band aids in case she skinned her knee, I wanted to get some crutches in case she has a broken leg but I couldn't fit them in here and so yeah, I just thought that I knew EVERYTHING that I needed to know about helping my grandmother. But THEN I got out in this forest and I got all

turned around. And now all this work that I have done will be useless because I don't know which way to go, and this STUFF that I usually trust to guide me isn't working!!!

LRR takes a deep breath and sighs.

LRR: Hey! Wisdom 5 cents? Wait, let me look up wisdom! Ugh. I can't...this computer! Do you know the wifi password?

Owl: No.

LRR: Okay, do you have place in your tree where I could plug in my phone, because I need to call my grandmother and I'm running out of battery.

Owl (*looks around tree*): Nope. No electricity here in the forest. But I can tell you the definition of Wisdom... free of charge.

LRR: Perfect! Okay. Wait I am going to write this down. (*Pulls up laptop or phone*) Ok, what is it?

Owl: Wisdom is an understanding of God's truth that guides your actions.

LRR: YES! YES! A guide! That is what I need! Yes! Ok, If wisdom guides me then I'll take 4 wisdoms please!

Owl: That's not really how it works.

LRR (*exasperated*): Okay well, can you read a map?

Owl: No, not really, they have GPS these days.

LRR: Listen no offense, but I'm not gonna pay you 5 cents. You don't seem to have any wisdom at all.

Owl: I have a great deal of wisdom.

LRR: Okay... Well... then where is your computer?

Owl: I don't have a computer.

LRR: Okay, Mr. Owl, sir. I don't mean to be disrespectful, but everyone knows that the best place to find an understanding of truth to guide our actions, is by Googling our questions, and if you don't have a computer, or internet access, or electricity... well then I really don't think you should be selling wisdom. It's sort of false advertising, if you don't mind my saying so.

Owl: Little Red Riding Hood? There's really only one source of true wisdom, and I get all the wisdom I need from it. It's this, right here.... *(Owl hold ups a bible)*

LRR: A Bible?

Owl: Yes, the written word of God! Listen, if you're looking for wisdom, this is where you go to find it. You see, ALL WISDOM COMES FROM GOD.

LRR: ALL WISDOM COMES FROM GOD?

Owl: It sure does! And James 3:17 talks about how the wisdom from above is pure and peace loving and gentle and sincere. So, we know that it's wisdom that can be trusted.

LRR: Woah... does the Bible saying anything else about the wisdom from God?

Owl: ABSOLUTELY! Proverbs is a whole book about wisdom. And Proverbs 2 says that when we ask for understanding and insight from God, that He gives us knowledge. It's the Lord who gives us wisdom! Verse 8 even says this, listen... *(reads from bible)* "He guards the paths of the just and protects those who are faithful to him."

LRR: OH! So wisdom is an understanding of God's truth that guides my actions. And when I ask God for knowledge, He gives it to me. All wisdom comes from God!

Owl: Exactly!

LRR: Thanks, Mr. Owl. You know, now that I think about it, I asked you if you could read a map, and if you had electricity, but I didn't really ask you if you could tell me WHERE I could find electricity... Can you help a girl out?

Owl: Now we're talking! Yes, if you follow this path straight through, you'll find a Grandy's. Not the grandmother you're looking for, but you won't be lost in the woods anymore AND there's electricity there so you can plug in your phone and call your grandmother.

LRR: Wow! Thanks Mr Owl. I am so glad I uhhhh "ran" into you!

Owl: Me too! You take this *(hand her the Bible)* no charge! Remember, God's wisdom will guide you when you're making decisions AND when you run into anything... ummm... unexpected *(more to himself)* like at your grandmother's house, for example.

LRR: Gee, thanks, Mr. Owl! See ya later! *(as she's now carefully watching her steps off stage)*

Owl: Bye bye!

Both exit