

TRUSTWORTHY – Week 2 Skit

Definition: Being dependable without a doubt

Verse: Hebrews 10:23 (NLT) – “Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep His promise.”

Week 2: God helps me be trustworthy

Main Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30 (Parable of Three Servants)

Additional Scripture: 1 Timothy 1:12

Characters:

- Second Mate Sal (or Sally) – understands the importance of caring for what God has given us
- Third Mate Theo – restless, does not see the importance of taking care of the little things, anxious for next big adventure at sea

Props:

- Boat scene (rope, buckets, nets, etc.)
- Broom with a bite taken out of it
- Spray bottle and rags

At Home Suggestions:

- Choose an area in or around your house for the stage. This month the skit is set on a boat. Create a makeshift boat at home; you can try using old cardboard boxes or your couch!
- Put together your best sailor costume! Try nautical colors like red, white and blue.
- Both roles can be played by a boy or girl, switch up the roles as necessary for your family.

Helpful Hints:

- Stage directions (what the characters are supposed to do) are written in *ITALICS*.
- Read through the story of the 12 spies after the skit. Then read Joshua 3, help your kiddo see through the two stories - God always keeps His promises.

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3rd mate Theo: *(On stage sweeping the deck, kinda bored/restless)*
Sigh...I am out here on the deck sweeping for the THIRD day in a ROW. Every morning the Captain sends us to our chore stations to clean the ship. I mean, I get it, we need to keep the ship in tip top shape, so it's safe and ready to go whenever we're sent out on an exciting mission. But...it reminds me of when my mom asked me to make my bed every morning! UGH. So far, the most exciting thing that's happened aboard *this* ship is when a giant pelican flew after me because he wanted my sandwich! Let's just say I fought a pelican, and the pelican won.

2nd Mate Sal/Sally (*Walks on from behind stage, holding a spray bottle and rag...carefree, happy, humming a tune, walks to front of stage and squirts audience a couple of times and pretends to clean a window*)

3rd mate Theo: There goes' 2nd Mate Sal with his/her dust rag like always, the same ol' window spray in hand. *Every morning's just the same since the morning that I boarded this ship. Sal washes the windows, swabs the deck, clears the ropes...I feel bad for him cause it seems like the Captain gives him the most chores.*

2nd Mate Sal: (*Turns to 3rd mate Theo*) Oh, hey 3rd mate Theo! I did not see you there. Deck is looking nice today. Run into any more birds lately?

3rd mate Theo: Hey thanks, Sal! And no...thankfully...no pelican dive bombs so far.

2nd Mate Sal (*Laughs & sets down spray bottle to grab mop & bucket*)

3rd mate Theo: Hey Sal? I was just wondering when are we going on our next exciting adventure? It's been *several* weeks, and I am beginning to wonder if I became a sailor only to perfect my sweeping skills...

2nd Mate Sal: Well, Theo, I try and think of everyday on this ship as an exciting adventure.

3rd mate Theo: Even when we're just doing work around the deck?

2nd Mate Sal: Sure! The Captain has entrusted us with a mission to keep the ship's windows clean so he can see to steer...he asks us to mop the deck so that no one slips and falls when the salt from the ocean sticks to it! In fact, I enjoyed doing that so much, I just started clearing the ropes so no one would trip, and oiling the anchor so it would always work properly! There is plenty of action for me each day!

3rd mate Theo: Wait a minute...you mean to tell me, you chose extra chores?! Are you CRAZY?!

2nd Mate Sal: (*Laughs*) No, no, I just want to be dependable without a doubt.

3rd mate Theo: Ohhhh? I heard one of the other sailors talking about that. Being dependable without a doubt means you're TRUSTWORTHY, right?

2nd Mate Sal: Exactly. The Captain asks me to be trustworthy in caring for his ship, and I take that pretty seriously. If he can't trust me to be dependable in the little things...how is he going to trust me to be dependable with the BIG things...like when we're in the next battle or something?

3rd Mate Theo: Hmm...yeah, I guess when you put it that way, that does make sense.

2nd Mate Sal: But here's the thing, Theo. As much as I want to honor, obey, and respect the Captain, who I MOST want to please and serve is

God. And I know I honor God by doing my part to serve our crew and our Captain well.

3rd Mate Theo: I'll admit, the windows you're in charge of are the cleanest on the whole ship...

2nd Mate Sal: Really?! You mean it?! Thanks, Theo! We all have our own gifts and parts to play on this crew, though, you know?

3rd Mate Theo: I don't think I do...

2nd Mate Sal: Sure you do! Remember how I mentioned the tricky salt on the floor? You play a HUGE role in making sure we don't slip and fall each day. And don't get me started on your cooking skills. (*Rubbing belly*) Best meal I've ever had, not kidding.

3rd Mate Theo: Oh, well...thanks, Sal. I appreciate that. I do enjoy whipping up a meal for the crew (*Does the whip dance motion*) My grandmother always said I had a...oh well, what do you know? She called it a gift!

2nd Mate Sal: SEE! And we'd all be too weak to do our part around the ship if we didn't have the food YOU made for us to eat. God gave you a gift, Theo, and He gave you a grandma that taught you how to use it! And now, He's given you a place to use that gift to help others. **God's helping you be dependable...or trustworthy! Yea! God's helping you be trustworthy!**

3rd Mate Theo: I guess I had never thought about it that way...

2nd Mate Sal: Hey, can I share one of my favorite bible verses about trust with you?

3rd Mate Theo: Sure, Sal.

2nd Mate Sal: Great! It's from 1 Timothy 1:12, and it says, "I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work. He considered me trustworthy and appointed me to serve him." A guy named Paul wrote that to his apprentice, Timothy...I guess you could say Paul was kind of like the Captain, and Timothy was his First Mate.

3rd Mate Theo: Ok, I think that makes sense...but...why is that one of your favorite verses?

2nd Mate Sal: Because it reminds me of who's really in charge, and that He's trustworthy...and that I've been given work to do and the strength to do it.

3rd Mate Theo: You got all of that from one verse?

2nd Mate Sal: Sure! Look, I'll show you. The verse said, "I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work. He considered me trustworthy and appointed me to serve him." So, who chose Paul to serve?

3rd Mate Theo: Well, he said Jesus appointed him, so God did?

2nd Mate Sal: Yep! Now, who gave Paul work to do?

3rd Mate Theo: *(Thinking)* Still God...right?

2nd Mate Sal: You got it. And who gave Paul the strength and ability to do the work?

3rd Mate Theo: *(Thinking out loud to himself)* "I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength to do his work...." God did that, too!

2nd Mate Sal: Ding ding ding! See? God not only gave Paul work to do, but God gave Paul the strength to do the work. **God helped Paul be trustworthy.** In the same way God helps me be trustworthy with what He's given me, and you be trustworthy with what He's given you. Pretty rad, huh?

3rd Mate Theo: Yea!!!...I'm ready to...BE TRUSTHWORTHY! Haha!

2nd Mate Sal: Yea? Sooooo how are you feelin' about those chores then?

3rd Mate Theo: *(Sigh)* I'll admit, they're still not my favorite. But...I can see why they're important to the Captain. I know the Captain is helping to prepare us and the ship for our next adventure, so I want to be dependable without a doubt with what he's given me to do. And when it gets hard, I'll remember that **God helps me be trustworthy. I mean it! I'm ready to be trustworthy!**

2nd Mate Sal: That's awesome, 3rd Mate Theo! Way to go.

3rd mate Theo: Thanks, 2nd Mate Sal! *(looks up nervously)*

2nd Mate Sal: *(Looks back and forth from Theo to sky)* What are you looking for?

3rd mate Theo: Well, I'm great with keeping the deck clean. But I still need to keep my eye out for that giant, fire breathing, sandwich eating pelican.

2nd Mate Sal: *(Laughing)* What do you say we head inside before this pelican gets any bigger?! It's almost time for lunch/dinner anyway. C'mon! *(Both exit as Theo keeps exaggerating)*

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