

HUMILITY – Week 3 Skit

Definition: Living with the right understanding of who God is, who I am, and who you are.

Verse: “Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.” PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4 (NLT)

WEEK 3 FINISH LINE (5/17): Humility helps us focus on others.

Scriptures: John 13:1-17

Catch Phrase: Be a HERO = **HE** is our perfect example, **R**espond Rightly, **O**thers focused

Characters:

- Chief Fire Fighter - Frank (Fran if played by a girl)
- Rookie Firefighter - Sam (can be guy or girl)
- Teacher

At Home Stage Suggestions:

- Choose an area in your house as the stage. Since the drama talks about cleaning and a stage, you may want to use your dining room or living room.
- For props you will need a clipboard/notebook, apron, fireman hat, dog leash, coffee cup, Bible, fireman clothes for Frank/Fran to be cleaning, HERO Award
- Don’t forget to add costumes! Maybe you could have the characters wear suspenders or matching clothes to show they work at the same fire station.

Helpful Hints:

- Stage directions (what the characters are supposed to do) are written in *ITALICS*
- If you don’t have a trophy or medal at home, choose something else to designate as the HERO award OR create your own that you can use each week. You’ll be at the same “Fire Station” all month.
- Have the people watching the skit be the “crowd cheering” on page 4.

Same runs in, holding clipboard, wearing apron, fireman hat, holding dog leash, and coffee cup

Sam: Oh man! Oh man! Today is the day, today is the day! Everything me and the other rookies have been working for is finally here! Ronnie, Tyler, and I could barely sleep last night!

Frank is on the floor, cleaning other firemen's jackets and boots. Sam almost trips over Frank in his excitement running in.

Sam: Woooahh! Chief! Uh, I'm sorry, sorry, sir! *(straightening self up, trying to "get it together")*

Frank: *(laughs)* Well hello there, Sam! You sure are in a hurry. What is the big rush? And my my, look at all you're holding... If I didn't know any better, I would have thought you walked the fire dog while making breakfast.

Sam: Close, sir! Close! Juuuuust **living with the right understanding of who God is, who I am, and who you are...** Well, you know, trying to... I'm still learning this whole HUMILITY thing, but uhhh, I made breakfast for everyone at the station, took the dog for a run, fed the dog, now I finished the dishes – and really enjoyed doing it all sir, but now I have to get to the HERO award ceremony now! It's starting!

Frank: *(chuckles)* Why yes it is.

Sam: Chief! We have to get there. Rookie Ronnie and Rookie Tyler are waiting on me to sit with them. Aren't you coming? Well, that's a silly question ... of COURSE you are coming! Everyone goes to the HERO award day. We have to see WHO is going to get the HERO award?! Maybe a rookie for the first time, ahem?

Frank: You know, Sam, I was planning on it, but after that big fire we had last night, I think it's more important that I spend time cleaning the fire equipment for some of the guys in our station. Their jackets got pretty stained in the smoke, and their helmets and boots need a good clean up too.

Sam: You are telling me that you are missing the HERO award presentation to clean SOMEBODY ELSE'S smelly ole' fire boots?

Frank: Yep.

Sam: Well that is something else.

Frank: What is?

Sam: Don't you want to know who got the award? Plus, those boots are stinking up this whole station... and YOU are cleaning them?! They aren't even your boots. Do you need a clothespin or something for your nose, Chief, or maybe gloves for your hands?

Frank: haha Sam... no, but thank you though. I noticed these here (holds up clothes, boots) as I was walking out the door. Those men worked hard all last night and I want them to have clean gear when they go out to fight another fire.

Sam: But Chief .. you are missing the presentation. Is this another HUMILITY thing?

Frank: It sure is. We have talked about the H .. the E .. the R .. and the only one you are missing is the O. Can you guess what O would stand for?

Sam: Ummm. Octopus? Octagon? Orange juice? Olives? Oil – cleaning the oil? Uhh... Ostriches? No, those can't be it. Those have nothing to do with fires.

Frank: (Chuckles) It stands for OTHERS... being OTHERS FOCUSED! **Humility helps us focus on others.**

Sam: SO, let me get this all straight...
HE – as in Jesus, is our perfect example
R – Respond rightly to sin
O – Others focused

Frank: Yep, HERO! Remember, your first day here, we talked to all the rookies about having the mind of Christ? How Jesus is the perfect example of HUMILITY for us to follow?

Sam: Sure I do, Chief. But what does that have to do with this week – OTHERS FOCUSED?

Frank: Well, Jesus was always OTHERS FOCUSED. There's a story about Him in John 13 where he washed His disciples' feet. Their feet were probably way dirtier and smellier than these fire boots here. They were so confused why Jesus would wash THEIR feet. You see, Jesus is the King, He is HOLY, He is Lord, He is GOD! How could HE wash THEIR feet... they should be washing *His* feet.

Sam: Yea! Why on earth would Jesus wash their feet when he is the King of Kings?!

Frank: Well, let's read exactly what Jesus said to them ... *(pulls out Bible to read)*

After washing their feet, he put on his robe again and sat down and asked, "Do you understand what I was doing? ¹³ You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and you are right, because that's what I am. ¹⁴ And since I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash each other's feet. ¹⁵ I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you. ¹⁶ I tell you the truth, slaves are not

greater than their master. Nor is the messenger more important than the one who sends the message. ¹⁷ Now that you know these things, God will bless you for doing them.

Did you hear that, rookie? Jesus just said that slaves are not greater than their master. He told them that He was setting an example for them... and to go and wash others feet. To SERVE THEM, no matter who they were.

Sam: Woah! Jesus is different than any King I've ever heard of. He serves others! And sets an example by doing it Himself.

Frank: He absolutely does! And I want to follow Him and the example He set for me. That's why I decided to stay and clean these stinky boots and dirty clothes. I want to serve others because Jesus served others. I want to be humble like Jesus.

Sam: Chief, I want to be more like Jesus too. I want to focus on others. Let me help you finish cleaning these boots.

SFX: Crowd Cheers

Sam: Do you hear that chief? I hear cheering! They must be coming back from the HERO award ceremony! Who do you think won?!

Frank: I don't know! Let's go greet them and welcome them back (*walks to end of stage where stairs are*)

Sam: (*Peering into "distance", hand over eyes looking*) Oh look! Look! It's the person who was going to give out the HERO award. I wonder why he/she is here!

Teacher: Hello! Well our HERO award winner this year was so busy being others focused that he missed the award ceremony, so we decided to bring the award ceremony to HIM! (looking at Frank – handing him award)

SFX: Cheering noises

Frank: What?! ME?!

Teacher: Yep, our HERO this year is Chief Frank! You have not only showed HUMILITY each day, but you even teach it to others!

Sam: Chief, you have taught me how to be more like Jesus... to be HUMBLE. You **live with the right understanding of who God is, who I am, and who you are!** You are a true HERO around here! Now, come on, let me take you out for donuts to celebrate! I will finish cleaning all of these boots when we come back.

Frank and Sam Exit Stage – THE END