

“UN-WELCOMED MEMBER”

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Synopsis

Satan follows Mary to church and constantly tries to distract her attention away from the service. Fortunately for Mary, her Guardian Angel is there to protect her.

Scripture

Acts 5:3-4

Ministry Lesson:

The tragic sin of Ananias was that he yielded to Satan's influence to lie to God and God's people. Satan is always trying to influence the people of God to be disobedient to Him. We must remain faithful and do what is right in the sight of God.

Ministry Focus:

Tithing/Giving

Genre: Comedy

Cast

- Mary - Innocent, easily influenced
- Angel (adult female) - Feisty and protective. Ready to mix it up with Satan.
- Satan (adult male) - Slick and conniving
- Church usher (youth or adult)

Costumes:

- Mary in normal church attire
- Usher in standard church usher uniform
- Angel in all white with a halo around head
- Satan in all black with 2 little horns on his head
(*you can get these little props at any costume store*)

Time: 8 mins.

Props:

Mary - bible, purse with pad, pen, cell phone, dollar bills
Satan - plastic bag of candy, cell phone
Usher - church programs, fans, and donation envelopes
Three (3) chairs

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INTERIOR - CHURCH SANCTUARY

Stage Setup: Three (3) chairs are aligned side-by-side. Mary will sit in the middle and the Angel and Satan on the ends. The usher is standing near the stage entrance to greet the characters as they enter.

CHURCH USHER IS HOLDING CHURCH PROGRAMS, FANS, AND TITHING ENVELOPES. ANGEL AND MARY HURRY IN.

ANGEL

C'mon Mary, church has already started.

You don't want to miss the praise and
worship time.

MARY

Oh my goodness, I didn't know it was so
late.

MARY IS GREETED BY THE USHER. THE USHER GIVES MARY A PROGRAM AND A FAN. SHE TAKES THE CENTER SEAT. THE ANGEL SITS TO THE RIGHT OF MARY.

MARY (CONT'D)

(fanning) Whew. Thank God you woke me
up this morning. I almost missed the
service.

ANGEL

Not a problem. You know I'm always here
for you.

MARY ACKNOWLEDGES A FELLOW CHURCH MEMBER

MARY

Oh Hi Sister Bennett [*or name of member
in church*]. I love that dress. (to
Angel) She's so sweet.

ANGEL

Yes she is.

MARY

I just love this church. Everyone is so nice and friendly.

SATAN RUSHES IN, WEARING SUNGLASSES

SATAN

Oh Man, what time is it? I hope I'm not too late.

SATAN IS GREETED BY THE USHER

USHER

Good morning. Welcome to [name of church].

USHER OFFERS SATAN A FAN

SATAN

Oh I don't need it. I like it hot.

SATAN REMOVES SUNGLASSES AS HE NOTICES MARY.

SATAN (CONT'D)

Well, Sister Mary. I'm surprised you tried to leave me home this morning.

ANGEL

(sarcastically) We were in a hurry and we didn't have time to wait on you!

SATAN

I wasn't talking to you.

ANGEL

Well, I'm talking to you!

SATAN AND ANGEL BEGIN TO ARGUE.

MARY

(interrupts) Do you mind! I'm trying to enjoy the service.

ANGEL AND SATAN RELUCTANTLY STOP ARGUING. THEY SIT DOWN.

ANGEL

You're right Mary. Pastor [name of your
Pastor] is about to start preaching.

MARY AND THE ANGEL ATTENTIVELY SIT UP. MARY TAKES OUT A
PAD AND PEN TO TAKE NOTES OF THE SERMON. SATAN SLUMPS DOWN
IN HIS SEAT (MARY'S LEFT) AND BECOMES FIDGETY. HE STARTS
TO DO SEVERAL THINGS TO ANNOY MARY:

FIRST, HE TAKES OUT A PLASTIC BAG OF HARD CANDY AND MAKES
AS MUCH NOISE AS POSSIBLE LOOKING FOR A SPECIFIC PIECE.

SATAN

Mary, I have some Halloween candy
left...want some?

ANGEL

(to Satan) Will you stop making all
that noise rummaging through that bag!
You're not supposed to eat in church.

SATAN

(fires back) Well, I'm hungry!

ANGEL

Well, go somewhere and eat!

SATAN RELUCTANTLY CLOSES THE CANDY BAG. BECOMES RESTLESS
AGAIN.

SATAN

(nudges Mary) Hey Mary, look at that
dress Sister Bennett [*or name of member
in church*] is wearing. Didn't she wear
that last Sunday?

MARY

(looking) Oh really! You know I thought
something looked familiar.

SATAN

And look at Brother Fitzgerarld. This is the 3rd Sunday in a row he's been sitting next to Brother Johnson's wife. If you ask me...

ANGEL

(To Satan) Well, no one is asking you. Just be quiet and stop trying to stir up trouble. (To Mary) Mary, don't listen to him. Let's just focus on the Lord.

MARY

You're so right.

SATAN SARCASTICALLY MIMICS THE ANGEL. SATAN TURNS ASIDE AND PULLS OUT HIS CELL PHONE. HE TYPES A TEXT MESSAGE TO MARY.

MARY'S PHONE BEGINS TO BUZZ.

MARY (CONT'D)

Is that my cell phone buzzin'? (*takes her phone from her purse*) Who would send me a text message during church service?

ANGEL

(*looking over at Satan*). Ummm. Oh let me see that. (*takes phone from Mary*) You just enjoy the service.

ANGEL CALLS THE NUMBER. SATAN'S PHONE RINGS AND HE ANSWERS. MARY IS DEEP INTO THE SERMON AS THEY ARE TALKING.

SATAN

Hello.

ANGEL

Look, I told you to stop bothering Mary.

SATAN

I'm bored.

ANGEL

Why don't you leave these people alone?

SATAN

I'm a member of [name of church] too.
Last week, I hooked up with Deacon [name
of deacon]. This week, I'm here for
Mary.

ANGEL

You get on my nerves! (beat) It's just
about offering time, why don't you leave
now?

SATAN

Leave! Oh no, this is the best part of
the service for me. (hangs up phone)

- End of Preview -

You will be surprised who will win this case and why.

There's a strong ministry message at the end

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