

SKIT: JESUS IS ARRESTED AND PUT ON TRIAL

Parts:

- Narrator 1 & 2 (can be combined to one narrator)
- Jesus
- Peter
- Judas
- Guard
- Servant Girl
- Pilate
- Jewish Leader

Props:

- Plastic sword

Narrator 1: Jesus was in the garden with His apostles. He already knew Judas would betray Him. Soon, Judas came with guards to arrest Jesus.

Guard: We are looking for Jesus.

Jesus: I am He.

Narrator 2: Jesus did not run away or hide. He stepped forward because He knew this was part of God's plan.

Jesus: If you are looking for Me, let these men go.

Narrator 1: Jesus protected His apostles, just as He had promised. Peter did not fully understand what was happening. He wanted to fight.

Peter: I will protect You!

Narrator 2: Peter struck the servant of the high priest with a sword.

Jesus: Put the sword away. Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given Me?

Narrator 1: Jesus was not going to win by fighting. He was going to obey God and go to the cross.

Narrator 2: While Jesus was being questioned, Peter followed nearby. A servant girl saw him.

Servant Girl: You are not one of this man's disciples too, are you?

Peter: I am not.

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Narrator 1: Peter was afraid and denied knowing Jesus. Jesus had said Peter would deny Him three times, and in the end he did. Then the rooster crowed. Jesus' words had come true.

Narrator 2: Meanwhile, the leaders brought Jesus to Pilate, the Roman governor. They wanted Jesus to be put to death, even though He had done nothing wrong.

Pilate: What accusation do you bring against this man?

Jewish Leader: He is an evildoer.

Pilate: Then take Him yourselves and judge Him by your own law.

Jewish Leader: We are not allowed to put anyone to death.

Narrator 1: Pilate went back inside and spoke to Jesus.

Pilate: Are You the King of the Jews?

Jesus: Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about Me?

Pilate: I am not a Jew, am I? Your own people brought You to me. What have You done?

Jesus: My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would be fighting so that I would not be handed over. But My kingdom is not from here.

Pilate: So You are a king?

Jesus: You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.

Pilate: What is truth?

Narrator 2: Pilate asked the question, but he did not wait for the answer. Jesus stayed calm, told the truth, and obeyed God, even when He was betrayed, denied, arrested, and falsely accused.