

A script from



“Bad Ways to Witness”

by

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- What** Telling others about Jesus is one of those non-negotiable things in the Christian faith. Some of us have our tried and true ways of sharing our faith and others just try and wing it. Maybe you don't have any method at all. Here are just a few of the *bad* ways we witness. (Themes: Evangelism, Faith, Witnessing, The Great Commission)
- Who** 2 males
- When** Present
- Wear (Props)** Witnessing tract
- Why** Matthew 28:16-20
- How** Tommy and Eddie put so much of themselves into their skits, so really make this your own. Keep the pacing up and really give each character a personality. Feel free to add your own ad libs and make it fun and personal for you.
- Time** Approximately 10 minutes

Eddie and Tommy enter and Eddie addresses the audience.

Eddie: We'd like to show you some bad ways of witnessing. The first bad technique is the "relationship method".

Scene 1

Tommy: God, I am really not good at this whole witnessing thing, so would you just make me a servant? When people come by, what's mine should be theirs. So just make me a servant. *(takes a drink of his coffee and spits it back out in his cup)* I hate cold coffee! That's nasty.

Eddie: Hey, Jake, you ready to go to the meeting?

Tommy: Yeah.

Eddie: Okay, they're waiting for us. Is that coffee?

Tommy: Well...it is...

Eddie: Can I have a sip of your coffee?

Tommy: Oh you don't want a sip of this.

Eddie: No, seriously. Give me a sip of your coffee.

Tommy: No, no really.

Eddie: Okay, Jake, I didn't want to say this, but people around the office are talking about you and they say you're a "taker". Is that the reputation you want to have? To be a "taker"? Taker, taker, taker! Why don't you be a "giver" for once? I've been working all night on this presentation and I just want a sip of your coffee! Quit being a "taker" and be a "giver"! Come on; give me sip of your coffee!

Tommy: Okay.

Eddie: *(takes a drink)* Is there half and half in here?

Tommy: Kinda.

Eddie: Is this a mocha?

Tommy: It's more like a "mewka" (like mucus).

Scene 2- Eddie becomes Sunday School teacher and Tommy becomes Billy

Eddie: *(to audience)* The next bad way is called the "musical method" *(becomes the Sunday School teacher)*. Alright class, I'm going to be your substitute Sunday School teacher this morning.

Tommy: Hi Teacher! Hi! Hi!

Eddie: Hi. I'm glad you all are here. Your regular teacher couldn't be here. I guess she needed a "time out".

Tommy: Yeah, she's been bad. She needed a "time out".

Eddie: And what's your name?

Tommy: My name's Billy. Like the goat *(makes the sound of a goat)*. But I'm not really a goat.

Eddie: Why don't we just sing some songs?

Tommy: Oh I love to sing songs to God! *(sings "Jesus Loves Me")* I'm the next American Idol.

Eddie: I'm sure you are. Okay, Fantasia, I'll teach you a song and you can share it or use it to **witness**. Now that's a big word, but it means to share it with your friends. You can use this song as a witnessing tool.

Tommy: Oh that's so cool! Let's sing the song! Let's sing it! Let's do that!

Eddie: Billy, I'm going to take a stab in the dark here, but did you skip your Ritalin pill this morning?

Tommy: Yeah, I fed it to my dog. And do you know what? Now he ate his tail.

Eddie: Is that right?

Tommy: Yeah, and you know what? Now he ain't got no tail! Just a bottom.

Eddie: Okay. Here's how the song goes. You ready? It goes like this: *(sings)* "If I had Jesus in a little bitty box, I'd take him out and mwah, mwah, mwah *(kissing sound)* and share him with a friend."

Tommy: Oh that's a good song! I like that song! It's a really good song, I like it and I can sing it to my friend some time.

Eddie: Okay. Very good. Let's all sing the song class. Okay?

Tommy: Okay. Not you. *(points to another "child")*

Eddie: What's your name? Eric can sing. It's okay. Okay here we go.

- Tommy:** *(points to child again)* Not you.
- Eddie:** Billy, Eric can sing. It's fine. Eric, you can sing. Okay here we go...
- Tommy:** Not you.
- Eddie:** Billy, why are you doing that?
- Tommy:** Eric's the devil.
- Eddie:** No! No he is not! Eric you're not the devil. *(Tommy makes devil horns)* Stop, Billy! You're making him cry!
- Tommy:** Yeah, he's crying. He's the devil and he's in Sunday School. Hello!
- Eddie:** Okay, stop. You're not the devil, Eric. Billy, stop it. You're going to give him a complex and he's going to wind up on Dr. Phil.
- Tommy:** Okay.
- Eddie:** Okay. Let's sing. *(sings)* "If I had Jesus—
- Tommy:** *(sings loudly...and badly)* "If I had Jesus in a box!" *(raises his hand)*
- Eddie:** Billy, what are you doing?
- Tommy:** I'm getting my praise on.
- Eddie:** Oh, I see. Okay, let's sing. *(they both sing)* "If I had Jesus in a little bitty box, I'd take him out and mwah, mwah, mwah"
- Tommy continues to kiss "Jesus"*
- Eddie:** Billy, what are you doing?
- Tommy:** I really love Jesus.
- Eddie:** Share him with a friend, Billy. Share him with a—what are you doing? *(Tommy puts "Jesus" in his mouth)* What are you doing, Billy? No don't eat him! What are you doing?
- Tommy:** I'm trying to get Jesus in my heart.
- Eddie:** That's not how we get Jesus in our heart! Spit him out! *(taps Tommy on the back of the head and Tommy spits "Jesus" out)*
- Tommy:** That was a long fall for a little guy. Hope he's okay!
- Eddie:** Put him back in the box, Billy.

Tommy crawls out and reaches to get "Jesus"

Tommy: He was runnin'. He didn't want to go back in his box. He's really fast in sandals. I bet he can't run backwards fast in sandals.

Eddie: Put the box down. Put him in the box and set it down. I'm going to teach you the next part of the song. Okay? Billy?

Tommy: *(to the "box")* I'm sorry, Jesus.

Eddie: It's okay. Billy? Back to the song, Billy.

Tommy: I'm sorry he's such a mean man. I'm glad you took away all his hair. *(You can change this last line to fit your team)*

Scene 3

Eddie: This next bad way of witnessing is called the "in your face method". Hey, God? *(hold up tract)* I think I have a great way of witnessing, so you just bring people my way and I'll show them the love and I'll share everything with them. *(Tommy walks by)* Excuse me? *(Eddie punches Tommy and Tommy falls to the floor)* Jesus loves you! *(Eddie throws the tract on Tommy)*

Scene 4

Eddie: The next bad method is the "Heaven vs. Hell" method.

Tommy: Excuse me, sir?

Eddie: Me?

Tommy: Yes, you. Can I have a moment of your time that I might ask you a pertinent question or two?

Eddie: Sure. What's your name?

Tommy: Steve Stevenson.

Eddie: Okay, what's up?

Tommy: First, *(looks at his hand)* habla ingles? That means "do you speak English" in Spanish.

Eddie: Yeah, I've been talking to you in English.

Tommy: Oh, I don't know what I was thinking. That's good because I don't know Spanish. The next word to you would have been "adios". *(reads something very fast and unintelligible)* If you were to die to night and