

A script from



“Because He Loves Me”

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- What** This skit shares three stories: one old man who never knew love, a girl who wants to hear her father say “I love you”, and a girl who finds forgiveness and love from Her Maker. Themes: Unconditional Love, God’s Love, Forgiveness, Dad, Abba, Children, Acceptance
- Who** Narrator
Horace
Vern
Jennifer
Dad
Megan
Jesus
- When** Present
- Wear (Props)** Scene1- Vern and Horace can have on cardigan sweaters. You can use as many or as few props here as you want. Everything can be mimed.
Scene 2- Jennifer is dressed in typical teen clothes. If Dad is being played by a teenager, he can wear a tie to indicate his age. He should be holding a newspaper.
Scene 3- Megan needs a cell phone. She should be dressed in casual clothes. “Jesus” character should be dressed in neutral clothing or a white shirt. No t-shirts with logos or “loud” colors.
- Why** John 3:16, Romans 5:8, Ephesians 3:17-18, Hosea 2:19-20
- How** If your team is small, you can have actors double up on roles. The first scene is meant to be funny, so really play up the characters and have fun with it. With the last two scenes, be careful not to “over-act” the dramatic scenes. Be real. People will identify more with you if you take the time to really think through and process the characters.
- Time** Approximately 5-7 minutes; This script is 5 pages long.

Two old men, Vern and Horace, are sitting onstage facing the audience. They are frozen until the **Narrator** finishes his lines. The **Narrator** addresses the audience.

Narrator: Why do we follow Jesus? One of the most compelling reasons I follow Jesus is because He is the only one who loves me unconditionally. A lot of people go through their whole life without ever experiencing love.

Scene 1

Two older men, **Vern** and **Horace**, are in a retirement home in wheelchairs contemplating life.

Vern: Horace, what are you doing today?

Horace: You crazy chowder head. You gonna sit there in your wheelchair and ask me what am I gonna do today? For the last three years, we've been sitting right here looking at nothing and doing nothing. And today you ask me, "What am I going to do today?" I have half of mind to...oh look, we're having peas again. I hate peas!

Vern: Why you gotta be so negative and complain? That's all you do is complain, complain, complain...

Horace: All you do is nag, nag, nag. And don't you judge me until you've walked a mile in my shoes...

Vern: You haven't walked in years.

Horace: I can walk, I can walk... *(Almost falls and then gets oxygen)*. Never mind, it's a figure of speech.

Vern: You want me to call the nurse?

Horace: Brenda is a hot little number. She doesn't look a day over 51...

Vern: Yeah, if you don't mind chicks with beards...

Horace: Beggars can't be choosers. Don't you just love adult diapers?

Vern: Depends!

Vern: Horace, Horace, how come nobody ever comes to see you?

Horace: I prefer it this way. People come here in here and mess everything up with all their opinions and emotions. The only opinion that matters is the one in this body.

- Vern:** You're a bitter old man. Look at yourself. You're filled with hate and bitterness and...hate.
- Horace:** Well, thank you Dr. Phil. Hey, everyone, Dr. Phil is here giving out free advice. You're an idiot.
- Vern:** You can make jokes all you want but you're missing out on the most important thing in life - love.
- Horace:** I don't want to hear about love. It's a sham. Don't you lecture me. When you're my age, maybe you'll understand a thing or two about the world.
- Vern:** I'm 94.
- Horace:** You're just a baby. I don't wanna hear what you have to say.
- Vern:** Well you're gonna. Your wheelchair brake is on so you listen to this...
- Vern:** You listen and you listen good. Look at me...look.
- Horace:** Ok...hang on a second... *(Gets glasses, hearing aid)* Ok, now tell me.
- Vern:** Here's the deal with love. You gotta experience the most amazing thing in the world. Quit acting all tough like you don't need anybody. You gotta let someone love you. You hear me? You gotta let someone love you! It's just this, I don't want you to die a bitter old man who never knew love. You gotta let someone love you.
- Horace:** Ok, ok. Hey, look, Jeopardy is on! *(He falls asleep)*
- Vern:** Love is the most important thing... *(He also falls asleep)*

End Scene

Narrator: How sad is that? Some live their whole life and never experience love. Some understand love as an earthly love relationship. Even then, true love can only be found in Christ. Earthly relationships aren't perfect and can leave us disappointed with the concept of love.

Scene 2

Dad and daughter, **Jennifer**, get into argument over college and scholarships. This is not to say that parents don't love us. This is simply an illustration of how our love on earth isn't perfect.

Dad is reading a newspaper. **Jennifer** sits down next to **Dad** and begins to share about her day.

Jennifer: Hey Daddy!

Dad: Hey there.

Jennifer: Dad, I haven't seen you all week and I have a lot of news to share with you. First, I don't know if Mom told you but I made the cheerleading team. It's going to be so awesome. I get to go to the football games and pep rallies and I have met so many new friends. We're working on a new cheer... "I'm a raindrop, I'm a raindrop, I'm a raindrop in the sky, I'd rather be a raindrop than a drip from Coker High." It's so exciting, Daddy.

Dad: That sounds great honey, just ask your mother.

Jen: I didn't really ask you a question...

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ENDING:

Jesus: You may have disobeyed me but there is forgiveness at the cross. I have already paid for all your sins at the cross. I love you no matter what you do. You messed up. I want you to learn from this mistake. I love you and nothing you do will ever make me not love you. There is always forgiveness and there is always love. I want you to understand that I am love. I am love.

End Scene

Narrator: Jesus is the only One that can love you unconditionally. So why do we follow Jesus? Because knowing Jesus is the only way you can ever experience true love.

Lights out. The end.