

# Drama Ministry®

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## A STUPID ACORN

by JOHN COSPER

**GENRE:** Comedy

**SYNOPSIS:** An ant tries to convince an acorn to embrace its destiny and die so it can become a tree, but the acorn is content being an acorn and doesn't want to give that up.

**DIRECTOR'S TIP:** Whether you choose to dress in costumes or simply T-Shirts, have actors (or puppets) emulate the physical motions for the ant and the squirrel to provide visual distinction between the characters.

**TIME:** Under 5 minutes

**CAST BREAKDOWN:** 3

**TOPIC:** Purpose

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:** John 12:24

**CHURCH YEAR SEASON:** Any

**SUGGESTED USE:** Worship Service, Youth, Bible Study

**CHARACTERS:**

An Ant  
An Acorn  
A Squirrel

**PROPS:** A dining table, silverware, plates, glasses, etc. for nine people

**COSTUMES:** Contemporary

**SOUND:** Wireless microphones

**LIGHTING:** General stage

**SETTING:** A dining room

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*The ANT leads the ACORN on stage. The ACORN is covering his eyes.*

**ANT:** Okay, buddy, open your eyes.

**ACORN:** (*Looks*) Uh huh. So what's the big deal, Ant? You promise me some great big surprise, a destiny that could be mine and all I see are some roots sticking out of the ground.

**ANT:** Look up, dummy.

**ACORN:** (*Looks up the tree*) Whoa! That's...that's just huge!

**ANT:** What did I tell you?

**ACORN:** Wow! That must have taken...well, a million years or so.

**ANT:** A hundred and twenty and counting.

**ACORN:** That's incredible. What do you call this?

**ANT:** It's called...a tree!

**ACORN:** Wow! Pretty name for it. Tree. Look, it's got brown stuff.

**ANT:** That's called bark.

**ACORN:** And twisting things hanging off it.

**ANT:** Those are branches.

**ACORN:** And pretty green floppy things.

**ANT:** Those are leaves.

**ACORN:** And it goes all the way from the roots up to the sky?

**ANT:** And down quite a way too. Those roots run pretty deep.

**ACORN:** Man, that is something. Okay, so you said all this could be me some day?

**ANT:** I surely did.

**ACORN:** Tell me. Tell me.

**ANT:** It's very simple. You gotta find yourself a nice, fertile plot of ground.

**ACORN:** Fertile ground. Okay.

**ANT:** Then you crawl in it.