

## ARMY MEN

by JOHN COSPER

**GENRE:** Comedy

**SYNOPSIS:** A game of army men turns into an illustration about the army of God.

**DIRECTOR'S TIP:** The Army Men can be played by multiple actors or just one who does different poses. The important thing is that he/they are in solid green and, with props, look as much like the traditional army men figures as possible when posed.

**TIME:** 5 minutes

**CAST BREAKDOWN:** 2 or more M, 1F

**THEME:** Christian Living, Youth

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:** Ephesians 6:10-18

**CHURCH YEAR SEASON:** Any

**SUGGESTED USE:** Children's ministry

**CHARACTERS:**

GABY and TRENT — Kids  
ARMY MEN

**PROPS:** 3 toy guns, flame thrower, minesweeper, bazooka

**COSTUMES:** Green fatigues and makeup for the army men.

**SOUND:** Wireless microphones (optional)

**LIGHTING:** General stage

**SETTING:** A play room

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*GABY and TRENT enter.*

**GABY:** So what do you want to play today?

**TRENT:** I know. Let's play army men!

**GABY:** Nooooo!

**TRENT:** Come on!

**GABY:** I don't like army men!

**TRENT:** *(Looks around, then whispers)* I played Ken and Barbie with you at your house last time.

**GABY:** Yeah. And you turned it into this scary thing where my teddy bear mauled Ken in the woods.

**TRENT:** He took the bear's honey. He had it coming.

**GABY:** I don't wanna play army men!

**TRENT:** You need to see my new army guys!

**GABY:** I've seen your army men. They're all the same. They're green, and they're plastic.

**TRENT:** Yes, but this is no ordinary army. This is the Army of the Lord.

**GABY:** What?

**TRENT:** Honest! It's the Lord's army!

**GABY:** If this is some silly game to get me to play—

**TRENT:** I'm serious. My men are fighting for the Lord. Here, let me get them.

*TRENT runs off. He comes back with a bucket of army men.*

**TRENT:** Here we go.

**GABY:** Oh come on, Trent! That's the same silly bucket of army men you've had since you were five!

**TRENT:** I'm telling you that's the Army of the Lord.

**GABY:** It is not!