

FAST FOOD FAITH

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: A fast-food worker challenges a minister to make a deeper connection with God when she prays.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Almost all humor is rooted some way in irony—things are funny when they are the opposite of what we would have normally expected. Fast Food Faith presents a delightfully ironic situation when a fast food worker doesn't follow the typical 'script' of day to day life, and the poor customer is left foundering. The tone is reminiscent of Monty Python, and a little homework from the Flying Circus may not be a bad idea.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 2

TOPIC: Prayer

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Matthew 6:5-15

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Seeker Service, Stand-alone comedy skit on prayer

CHARACTERS:

BILL—a fast food worker

CAROLYN—a youth minister

PROPS: A counter, cash register

COSTUMES: Modern dress for Carolyn; fast-food uniform for Bill

SOUND: Two wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A fast-food restaurant

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BILL stands behind the counter in a fast food joint. CAROLYN enters briskly.

BILL: Hi, welcome to...

CAROLYN: I'll take a number three, no lettuce, with a diet.

BILL: Excuse me?

CAROLYN: Did I stutter? Number three, no lettuce, diet!

BILL: I heard you. I just don't get you.

CAROLYN: You don't get me? It's pretty simple. I'm hungry. I order food, I give you money, I get food.

BILL: And that's all you want?

CAROLYN: What else is there?

BILL: Nothing that matters to you, I guess.

CAROLYN: Look, I don't know what you're selling, but all I want is my value meal.

BILL: You're not curious to see if you're missing out?

CAROLYN: What could I be missing?

BILL: You missed my charming greeting.

CAROLYN: I heard you.

BILL: No, no, you cut me off in mid-greet.

CAROLYN: Is that what you want? You want to greet me?

BILL: It would be a start.

CAROLYN: Fine. Let's just start over then.

CAROLYN turns, steps away, then walks back to the counter.

CAROLYN: Hi.

BILL: Hi, welcome to Big Guy's. My name is Bill. How are you today?

CAROLYN: Number three, no lettuce, diet.

BILL sighs.