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RISEN AGAIN

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: Real monsters crash a church Halloween party and learn the gospel.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 5

TOPIC: Salvation, Halloween

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Isaiah 53:5, Romans 5:9

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Starter

CHARACTERS:

Vampira—a vampire

Adam—Frankenstein's creature

Dwight—a "living dead" zombie

Tori—a Christian, dressed in a biblical costume

Phil—a Christian, dressed as the Apostle Paul

PROPS: Food and drinks

COSTUMES: Biblical and monster costumes

SOUND: 5 cordless mics

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: Church Halloween party

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DIRECTOR'S TIP:

Risen Again provides a wonderful vehicle for incorporating youth into your church drama ministry! Although there are no age requirements in this script, and it's perfectly fine to cast adults, think of the impact of casting high school or college-aged youth! What's even better, if you want to involve a larger number of youth, you can cast "extras" as partygoers in nonspeaking roles. To help set the mood of the scene, the "extra" partygoers should be in costume (probably similar to those that Tori and Phil are wearing). They should be in the background doing what partygoers would be doing, such as eating and drinking, conversing and possibly dancing (without making actual sounds or overt gestures). Have some upbeat music playing at the beginning of the scene. Bring the music down to a background level during the dialogue, and then back up full at the end.

The setting is a Halloween party at a church. VAMPIRA, ADAM and DWIGHT enter. TORI walks up to welcome them.

TORI: Well, hello there! Welcome to the Risen Again Halloween Party.

VAMPIRA: Good evening.

TORI: Wow ... great bunch of costumes! They look so real. Let me see, you're a vampire. And you're Frankenstein.

ADAM: Frankenstein creator. Me Adam.

VAMPIRA: Yes, common misconception. Dr. Frankenstein was his creator.

TORI: Oh, so Frankenstein is not the name of the monster?

ADAM growls, lunges toward TORI. VAMPIRA holds him back.

VAMPIRA: Please don't use the "M" word. The politically correct term is "resurrected creature."

TORI: Ha, ha, that's cute. Good description of us all. And who are you?

DWIGHT: Brains!!! Need brains!!

VAMPIRA: Dwight, don't embarrass us! You'll have to forgive Dwight. He's been living dead for the last ten years.

TORI: Aww, you look hungry. Would you like some food?

DWIGHT: Brains!!