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THE OLD MODEL GOSPEL

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy/Light Drama

SYNOPSIS: A woman goes to a car lot looking for the gospel and encounters several false gospels before she finds the right one—one much older and less flashy than the others.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Use decorations like balloons and flags to make the stage look more like a used car lot.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 4M, 2F

THEME: Christian Living

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Philippians 2:1-11

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Starter

CHARACTERS:

Brenda — a woman shopping
Jake — a car salesman
Jerry — a prosperity gospel pastor
Holly — a conservative political activist
Derek — a guilt-tripping preacher
Paul — a true disciple

PROPS: Chairs, sashes for the “cars”

COSTUMES: Clothing appropriate for a stereotype of each character described above.

SOUND: Wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A car lot

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Several chairs are set up on stage. HOLLY, JERRY, and DEREK are seated in chairs in the front. JAKE wears a sash that says "LUXURY." HOLLY wears a sash that says "NEW! LOOK!" PAUL sits in a chair behind them. Each one of them has a sticker on their arm, not unlike what you'd see on a car window on a car lot. A few others may also be on stage. BRENDA enters, starts looking at the people sitting in the front row of chairs. JAKE enters.

JAKE: Hi there.

BRENDA: Hi.

JAKE: Anything I can help you with?

BRENDA: I'm looking for the gospel.

JAKE: Take a look around. We've got several to choose from.

BRENDA: I can see that. Gosh, I didn't realize there were so many.

JAKE: Yes, there are quite a few to choose from.

BRENDA: Well, how do I know which one's right?

JAKE: It's not a matter of which one's right any more. It's all about which one's right for you? For example, (*points to Jake*) this is a very popular model right now.

BRENDA: Yes, I like the looks of that one.

JAKE: Here, let me start it up for you.

JERRY stands.

JERRY: The Lord wants to bless you, my child.

BRENDA: He does?

JERRY: Oh yes! Believe in the Lord, and all your troubles will be over. God will bless you abundantly with good health, a good wage, good friends, and a good family. Believe in the Lord, and you'll be living the good life, now and forever!

JERRY sits.

BRENDA: Wow, that's one heck of a message!

JAKE: Isn't it?

BRENDA: The price is rather steep, though.