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## THE REAL ME

by John Cosper

**GENRE:** Comedy

**SYNOPSIS:** Two masked friends confront a peer who has decided to drop the masquerade and be himself.

**DIRECTOR'S TIP:** Masks held in front of the face by popsicle sticks would probably be better than those attached by an elastic string—makes it more awkward for the mask-wearers to keep them in place, and also easier to drop at the appropriate time.

**TIME:** Under 5 minutes

**CAST BREAKDOWN:** 3

**TOPIC:** Youth, Self Image/Self Esteem

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:** Ephesians 4:22-24

**CHURCH YEAR SEASON:** Any

**SUGGESTED USE:** Seeker Service, Worship Service

**CHARACTERS:**

ZACK and LISA—people living with masks  
DEX—a friend who no longer wears a mask

**PROPS:** Two masks (for Zack and Lisa)

**COSTUMES:** Contemporary

**SOUND:** Two wireless microphones

**LIGHTING:** General stage

**SETTING:** Neighborhood sidewalk

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*ZACK is standing on stage, holding a mask in his hand. LISA enters, carrying a mask. She sees ZACK, and holds the mask over her face.*

**LISA:** Zack! *(Instinctively, ZACK holds the mask over his face.)*

**ZACK:** Hey, Lisa, what's up?

**LISA:** Not a lot, ready to have some fun tonight?

**ZACK:** I hear ya. The gang's already gone, so if you're ready, we'll go ahead and go.

**LISA:** Not yet. We have to wait for Dex.

**ZACK:** Dex?

**LISA:** Yes.

**ZACK:** Who invited him?

**LISA:** Well...I did. I figured that was okay. After all, he's been our friend forever.

**ZACK:** Lisa, have you seen Dex lately?

**LISA:** Well, not for a few weeks. Why?

**ZACK:** Well...It's just that, Dex has changed.

**LISA:** What do you mean, changed?

**ZACK:** Just that. He's not the same old lovable Dex we always knew. In fact, I hardly recognize him any more.

*DEX enters, without a mask.*

**LISA:** Oh, whatever. I'm sure he's just the same old guy we've always known.

**DEX:** Hey, guys! Thanks for waiting.

**LISA:** Who in the world are you?

**DEX:** *(Laughs)* Come on, Lisa. Stop joking.

**ZACK:** Yeah, Lisa, you remember our good buddy Dex?

**LISA:** No way! Dex?

**DEX:** How's it going?

**LISA:** Dex, you look so...so...