

A GRADUATION TALE

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: This clever and witty piece depicts Lancelot, Juliet and Robin Hood (no, not him, they just have the same name) about to set out on their greatest adventure-graduation! But despite their reservations (and modern television references) they are reminded that they are each created by God with special talents and for a special purpose.

TIME: Over 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 3

TOPIC: Youth, Purpose

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Jeremiah 1:5, Jeremiah 29:11

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Worship Service, Youth or Children's Graduation Celebration

CHARACTERS:

NARRATOR

LANCELOT

JULIET

ROBIN HOOD—not to be confused with that other guy

PROPS: None

COSTUMES: Medieval dress

SOUND: Wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: Outside the school/castle

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NARRATOR: Once upon a time there were three friends who found themselves on the brink of a great adventure. They lived in a distant time, between fantasy and reality, between the Roman Empire and the Renaissance, and between Cosby and Family Ties.

ROBIN, LANCELOT and JULIET enter.

JULIET: Cosby? Family Ties? What is he talking about?

LANCELOT: Best as I can recall, they were shows from the olden days. The dark ages when our parents were young.

JULIET: Was that before or after the dinosaurs died?

LANCELOT: After the dinosaurs, but before Moses. Or was it Jacob?

NARRATOR: Excuse me, can we settle this issue after the drama?

LANCELOT: Gee, sorry, Mr. Pushy.

NARRATOR: As I was saying, these three students had grown up together, learned together and studied many long hours together.

JULIET: He never said that stuff.

NARRATOR: I would have if you all didn't go on your tangent about Moses and dinosaurs. Anyway, they had braved many long hours of school together as students at Sherwood Forest High School*. Their names were Lancelot. . .

**Can be changed to elementary, middle, junior high, etc.*

LANCELOT: That's me. How are you doing, folks?

NARRATOR: Juliet. . .

JULIET: Juliet Capulet. How's that for an unfortunate alliteration?

NARRATOR: And Robin-Robin Hood?

ROBIN: Yeah, that's me.

NARRATOR: Wow, you're Robin Hood?

ROBIN: Yeah.

NARRATOR: Any relation to—

ROBIN: No, it's just a coincidence.