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## A TOTAL LOSER

by JOHN COSPER

**GENRE:** Comedy

**SYNOPSIS:** A man with an unfortunate name reminds us that having the reputation of Christ is what's most important.

**DIRECTOR'S TIP:** Keep the energy up and the lines driving forward for maximum comedic effect.

**TIME:** 5 minutes

**CAST BREAKDOWN:** 1M, 1F

**THEME:** Christian Living

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:** Proverbs 22:1

**CHURCH YEAR SEASON:** Any

**SUGGESTED USE:** Seeker service; sermon illustration

**CHARACTERS:**

CARRIE  
LOSER

**PROPS:** Microphone

**COSTUMES:** Contemporary

**SOUND:** Wireless mics if desired

**LIGHTING:** General stage

**SETTING:** Unspecified

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*Lights up. Carrie is at center.*

**CARRIE:** Good morning. Today we're talking about having a good name. Over and over, the book of Proverbs reminds us that a good name is more important than gold, silver, or any other treasure. Here to discuss that with me is a special guest.

*Loser enters from stage left.*

**CARRIE:** Sir, what is your name?

**LOSER:** A. Total Loser.

**CARRIE:** Come on, sir, I'm sure you're not a loser.

**LOSER:** Yes I am.

**CARRIE:** No you're not. You're a handsome man, and I'm sure very smart and intelligent.

**LOSER:** And a loser.

**CARRIE:** You are not a loser.

**LOSER:** Sure I am. Here, let me show you. *(pulls out his wallet)* See? A. Total Loser.

**CARRIE:** That's your real name?

**LOSER:** Yeah.

**CARRIE:** How did you get a name like that?

**LOSER:** Well, the Loser part comes from my father. He was a Loser too, and his father before him, and his father before him. They came over from Europe, my great-grandparents, and they changed their name to Loser.

**CARRIE:** They changed it to Loser?

**LOSER:** Yeah. It used to be "Krankenkopf."

**CARRIE:** What does that mean?

**LOSER:** Sick head.

**CARRIE:** Well, that sounds reasonable.

**LOSER:** Then my mother's maiden name was Total, so they made that my middle name.