

ARE YOU LISTENING?

by STEPHANIE WILSON

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: A young girl is discouraged because she feels as if God is ignoring her. But what she doesn't realize is that God is speaking to her; she just cannot hear Him.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Krista cannot hear God. It might help the audience to realize this by having her pause, as if she is trying to hear something, then looking disappointed when she doesn't hear anything.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 3

TOPIC: Listening to God, Youth

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Proverbs 1:5, John 10:27

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Youth Service, Worship Service

CHARACTERS:

KRISTA—a teenage girl

MOM—Krista's mother

GOD—an offstage voice

PROPS: A phone

COSTUMES: Casual attire

SOUND: Wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: KRISTA'S bedroom

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KRISTA enters.

KRISTA: Okay, what time is it? (*Looks at watch*) 6:45. Time for my daily devotions. So what did they say comes first? Oh, yeah, prayer. (*Bows head; closes eyes*) Lord...

GOD: Yes?

KRISTA: I've been thinking; well, lately I've been hearing a lot of stories of different people who hear You talking to them. They say they pray a lot about something and You answer them. They knew You wanted them to move. They knew it wasn't the right time to start a new business. They heard You speaking to them.

GOD: You see, I've been using those stories. I've been speaking to you, telling you that all you have to do is listen.

KRISTA: But I just haven't heard You. I've been waiting for You to speak to me but there's nothing.

GOD: That's only because you haven't been listening.

KRISTA: So I just wanted to let You know that I'm listening.

GOD: I'm glad you're ready to listen.

KRISTA: Lord, I ask that You show me who needs me today. Help me be a good witness to those who need You and help me do Your will no matter...

Phone rings. KRISTA hesitates, trying to decide whether to answer it.

GOD: Don't answer it. It'll just be Kayla from school; you can talk to her later. This is the first time in a long time you've talked to me....

KRISTA: Hello?

GOD sighs.

KRISTA: Oh, hi, Kayla...Well, let's keep it short—I'm kind of in the middle of something. My devotions...Really, then why'd you call?...Okay, I'll do the best I can...That's right. You must make Jesus the Lord of your life to go to Heaven. He's the only way...No exceptions...(Rolls eyes) It doesn't matter how cute you are...Not unless he's a Christian...Look, I...yeah...No, I missed it...No way!

MOM: (*Offstage*) Krista.