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HE IS

by MATTHEW REITHMAYER

GENRE: Drama, Reader's Theatre

SYNOPSIS: A variety of youth voices bring us from creation to fall to redemption by retelling the place of Jesus in history, primarily through the use of Biblical quotes and paraphrases.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: First, decide whether or not you want to do this script in a Reader's Theatre style or have your actors memorize it. Three important factors which may affect your decision are: how much time your actors have to learn lines, how large a cast you will work with, and how much space you have. In any case, focus on words, not movement. The effectiveness of this piece largely depends on the actors delivering their lines quickly and sincerely.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 8

TOPIC: Youth, Salvation

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Romans 5:12-17

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Youth Group, Worship Service, Evangelism

CHARACTERS:

This sketch is currently set for eight voices of any gender. By doubling, the sketch can be performed by as few as four voices, or as many as thirty.

PROPS: None needed

COSTUMES: Contemporary clothing

SOUND: Microphones for each cast member

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: General

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Lights up.

ONE: *(Slowly)* In the beginning, God created man-

TWO: *(Female, looks at ONE)* And woman.

ONE: Right. And woman.

THREE: And God loved us so much and wanted to have an awesome relationship with us.

FOUR: Everything was perfect.

FIVE: A perfect man.

SIX: A perfect woman.

SEVEN: In a perfect garden.

EIGHT: But...we sort of messed it up.

ONE: Hey. We're only human.

ALL look at audience and shrug.

TWO: And boy did we ever mess up.

THREE: People started killing.

FOUR: And lying.

FIVE: And cheating.

SIX: And kneeling before replicas of false holy deities.

SEVEN: *(Looks at SIX)* What?

SIX: *(To SEVEN)* Worshiping idols.

SEVEN: *(Smiles at audience)* Oh.

EIGHT: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God..."

ONE: By one human, sin entered the world.

TWO: Fools laugh at sin. They make a mockery of it.

THREE: But the Bible says that sin waits for you, just outside your door.