

THE GARAGE SALE

by Rikki Schwartz

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: A shopper finds the greatest invention of all time at a garage sale.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: No need to make the roles into caricatures—keep the tone of the piece as natural as possible for maximum effect.

TIME: Over 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 2

TOPIC: Evangelism

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Matthew 28:19-20

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Service focusing on The Great Commission

CHARACTERS:

SELLER (Male)

SHOPPER (Male or Female)

PROPS: Garage sale items (including clock radio, picture frame, paperback books, and Barbie Doll) on display.

COSTUMES: Very casual

SOUND: 2 wireless mics

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: Garage/Yard Sale

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Lights up.

SELLER: *(Sitting behind table with “cash box” on it – reading a book)*

SHOPPER: *(Enters and begins to sort through items on display at garage sale – laughs when s/he picks up an item)* My Mom had one of these.

SELLER: *(Looks over at the item).* So did mine – that’s it. *(Smiles - Goes back to reading).*

SHOPPER: You got lucky with the weather. It rained all day the day we had our garage sale. It was miserable.

SELLER: I’m just glad it’s not too hot.

SHOPPER: *(Comes upon a clock radio)* How much for the clock radio?

SELLER: 75 cents.

SHOPPER: Will you take fifty?

SELLER: Sure.

SHOPPER: *(Comes upon a picture frame)* How much for this picture frame?

SELLER: 50 cents.

SHOPPER: Will you take 25?

SELLER: Yeah.

SHOPPER: *(Picks up frame and moves onto a large box of paperbacks)* How much for the paperbacks?

SELLER: 25 cents each.

SHOPPER: Will you take 20?

SELLER: *(Sighs)* Why not.

SHOPPER: *(Sorts through them for a few seconds, and grabs a couple to purchase)* Who’s the Grisham fan?

SELLER: Our daughter.

SHOPPER: *(Chuckles)* Ours too. *(Scans the area)* Speaking of which, I was really looking for small kitchen appliances – she’s starting college in the fall. Do you have any?

SELLER: Sorry, no.