

A script from



“A Christmas Do-Over”

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What Dan wants to make up for the mistakes he’s made in the past year and thinks having a "perfect" Christmas for his family is the key...until he meets Joe, "The Toy Man". Themes: Christmas, Redemption, Grace, Mercy, Marriage, Wise Counsel, Priorities, Family

Who Dan – father 30’s-40’s.
Joe - owner of a toy store and a grandfatherly type- 60’s-70’s.

When Christmas Eve

**Wear
(Props)** Box that says “X-Station”
Wooden toy truck
Phone

Note: This sketch is set in a toy store, so depending on how far you want to go with the set, you can have many props or keep it simple.

Why Luke 15:24

How This dialogue should come off as natural. The actor playing Joe should be warm and jovial and exuding wisdom. Within this short sketch, Dan makes a transition, so how he comes into the store should be different than how he leaves.

Time Approximately 4-6 minutes

Joe is already on stage as Dan enters.

- Dan:** Excuse me, sir?
- Joe:** We're closed.
- Dan:** Yes, I saw the sign, but I was wondering...
- Joe:** Sorry son, we're closed.
- Dan:** Yes, but see there's this toy I need to find...
- Joe:** *(Finishing for him)*...that your kid asked Santa for and you waited until the last minute and all the stores are out of it and your wife will lock you out of the house if you don't come home with it. Is that about right?
- Dan:** That's about right, yeah. How'd you know?
- Joe:** I'm no ordinary toy man.
- Dan:** *(Skeptical)* Okay.
- Joe:** You see, Son, I know all about you and I've made it so you've never been born.
- Dan:** I what?
- Joe:** I'm just messing with you. I've had a string of you fellas in here all day who waited till the last minute trying to find that one last toy.
- Dan:** Right. Well, you don't happen to have one last X-Station, do you?
- Joe:** No, I'm sorry. Sure don't. I do, however, have this handcrafted, one-of-a-kind, toy truck. Made it myself.
- Dan:** Oh. Thanks, but I really need to find that X-Station.
- Joe:** Yeah, I figured. Kids want the gadgets these days.
- Dan:** I just wanted everything to be perfect this year. Well, thanks anyway.
- Joe:** Sure thing, Son. Oh and good luck with your wife.
- Dan:** Right. Thanks. *(Starts to leave.)*
- Joe:** And don't be discouraged, Dan. Max is just happy that you're home for Christmas this year.

- Dan:** *(Stops cold)* What did you say? Oh I get it. You're doing your little Clarence the Angel thing again. That's pretty good. You had me going. *(Starts to leave again, but then realizes...)* Except I didn't tell you my name. And you knew my son's name.
- Joe:** Oh I know a lot about you, Dan. About how you're trying to rebuild your family and gain some trust back from your son. How you and your wife have been struggling to make your marriage work and this time last year you just gave up and left. And how you've been running from God.
- Dan:** This is crazy. How could you...? Am I being punked? Where's the camera?
- Joe:** I'm right, aren't I?
- Dan:** Yes. You're right. But how do you...?
- Joe:** That's not important, Dan. What's important is that you quit spending your time running around trying to find something that you know isn't out there. You should be home with your family.
- Dan:** I just thought maybe if I could find the toy I'd be the hero, you know? Just to see the looks on their faces would be all I need. I've just made such a mess of things.
- Joe:** Do you think Max will still love you if he doesn't get the toy?
- Dan:** *(Thinks for a second)* Yes.

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ENDING:

- Dan:** So, really, how did you know all that stuff about me?
- Joe:** Hmmm...I guess you'll just always have to wonder, huh?
- Dan:** You're really not going to tell me?
- Joe:** *(Teasing)* I think I just may have saved your marriage with that game system *(gesturing to the box Dan is holding)*, now count your blessings and go home.
- Dan:** Yes sir. *(Beat)* Merry Christmas, Joe. *(Dan exits)*

Joe: Merry Christmas, Dan. *(Phone rings)* Hello? Oh, hi Lori. Yes m'am, he just left. No, I think he found what he was looking for. He'll be home soon. I enjoyed our conversation this afternoon. You have a Merry Christmas too, dear.

The End.