

A script from



“Easter Awkward Invite”

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What Frank needs help taking a picture of his family, but when his neighbor offers to help, Frank gets more than he bargained for.

Themes: Easter, Invites, Outreach, Community, Church

Who Frank- 40's
Louise- 40's
Adam- 12

Bella-8
Neighbor
Host

When Present

Wear (Props) For the family, very formal church clothes. It should look like they stepped out of a magazine dedicated to what uptight families should wear for Easter. Conversely, the Neighbor character should look very casual. Sloppy almost. Think a house coat over a white undershirt with athletic shorts and slippers.
Phone
Hose

Why Hebrews 13:1

How Obviously, the tension here is between Frank as the church-goer and the Neighbor as the uninvited. Frank should stammer a fair amount and awkwardly try to navigate the conversation.

Have some fun with the neighbor. Give him a colorful personality but make sure not to make him unlikable. The audience should also be thinking, “Why didn’t they invite this guy to church?”

Time Approximately 2 minutes

A family- **Frank**, 40s, **Louise**, 40s, **Adam**, 12, **Bella**, 8- all stand stage right prepping for a picture dressed in their Sunday best.

Neighbor, should stand stage left, holding a hose and watching.

Frank frames the family for a picture with his phone.

Neighbor: Hey Frank! Need a photographer?

Frank: Uhh...sure!

Neighbor walks across the stage, dropping the hose midway. They exchange the phone.

Frank: Thanks.

Frank joins the family. They pose.

Neighbor: Look at you all. Looking so spiffy and what not. Where'd you guys get off to today so dressed up?

Frank: Easter service at church.

The **Neighbor** looks through the lens of the phone.

Neighbor: Is that right? Nice big smiles everyone.

Neighbor raises the camera for a beat, but then lowers it because he has a question.

Neighbor: I've always been a big fan of Easter myself. Say, so what did the Pastor preach about at church?

Frank: Say again?

Neighbor: You know--the sermon?

Frank looks a little unsure and a lot guilty.

Frank: Uhhhhhhh...well...you know. It was a lot of...several things actually...but in conclusion...I guess Jesus. Mostly?

Neighbor: Uh huh.

Frank: How he conquered death.

Neighbor: That's a good thing to conquer.

Frank: So that we could have life. (*Gulps/ clears throat*) More abundantly.

Neighbor: Frank, that sounds like a lot of good stuff right there. Very interesting.
Neighbor raises the camera again to finally take the picture. But he lowers it again.

Neighbor: So you didn't think my wife and I would want to hear about all that?

Super pregnant pause. Frank is trying to say something. Lots of stuttering and stammering.

Host enters the scene.

Host: And freeze. This year, Awkward Post Easter Moments like this will be complicating relationships in every neighborhood and every cul-de-sac across the world. Don't let it happen to you. Invite someone to Easter service.

Lights fade.

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