A script from



"Christmas For Sale"

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What Two vendors offer their very different versions of Christmas to hungry shoppers,

but only one will truly fill the need the shoppers are looking for. This is a perfect

script for a sermon intro. **Themes**: Salvation, Eternal Life, Free, Gift

Who Person 1

Person 2

Customers 1,2,3,4,5,6

When Present

Wear Person 1- wears classy Christmas attire, carries fancy, large presents

(Props) Person 2- wears simple, casual clothes (i.e. jeans, red or green t-shirt); carries

simple presents with a bow on top

Two tables

Why John 4:13-14; John 3:16

How Person 1 is a used car salesman type, while Person 2 is genuine and sincere.

There should be a very distinct difference in each character. Be sure to practice the time and stay on top of your queues. The dialogue should build towards the

end of the script.

Time Approximately 4 minutes

Person 1 and **2** enter and greet each other.

- Person 1: Happy Holidays.
- **Person 2:** Happy Holidays. (*Noticing Person 1's presents*) Looks like you've got a great product there.
- **Person 1:** Thanks! This one is a big seller. Hope the shoppers come with full wallets today.
- **Person 2:** I think most do this time of year.
- **Person 1:** What do you have there?
- **Person 2:** We give this product away every year.
- **Person 1:** Give it away? I'm not sure how I feel about being placed next to a retailer with a free gift. My business might not do as well.
- **Person 2:** Well, we give it to those who want it. Believe it or not, not everyone wants a free gift.
- **Person 1:** Maybe they're suspicious of what's inside a free package.
- Person 2: Oh, I'm happy to show them.
- **Person 1:** You open the gift?
- Person 2: Of course. I want everyone to know exactly what they're receiving.
- Person 1: Interesting.
- **Person 2:** What are you selling there anyway?
- **Person 1:** Christmas.
- Person 2: You're selling Christmas?
- **Person 1:** That's right.
- **Person 2:** There must be some mistake.
- **Person 1:** Why is that?
- **Person 2:** Because I'm selling Christmas.
- **Person 1:** Actually, you're giving it away. I'm *selling* Christmas.



Offstage Voice:

Vendors please return to your stations, as the Department Store is ready to open its doors to customers.

Person 1: Well, good luck to you!

Person 2: Thanks.

Both actors stand behind their tables. **Customers** enter. They are 'shopping' and listening to the Vendor's speeches. **Person 2** stands speechless as **Person 1** turns on the charm.

Person 1: (Shouting to the customers) Tinsel, garland, and multi colored LED lights, all for one low price.

Customer 1 approaches Person 1's table.

Person 1: (*Cont*) That'll be \$999.99.

Customer 1 hands **Person 1** money, takes a gift and exits.

Person 1: (Cont.; shouting to the customers) Snowflakes, candy canes, and Christmas trees.

Customer 2 approaches the table and hands **Person 1** money, takes a gift and exits.

Person 1: (*Cont.*) Thank you for your business. (*Shouting to the customers*) Holly, mistletoe, and presents! Get them while supplies last!

Customer 3 approaches the table and hands **Person 1** money, takes a gift and exits.

Person 1: (*Cont.*) Thank you. Merry Christmas. (*Addressing Person 2*) What are you waiting for?

Person 2: Oh...umm. Right. (*Shouting to the customers*) Joy, peace, and the promise of eternal life.

Person 1: Santa, reindeer, and Frooosty the Snowman.

Person 2: Prophecies fulfilled, prayers answered, the Son of God revealed to man.

Person 1: Ornaments, candles, and Christmas cookies.

Person 2: Hope, salvation, and all your sins forgiven. And it's all absolutely free to those who believe.

Person 1: Stockings, jingle bells, and did I mention preeeeesents?



Customers 4, 5, and 6 approach **Person 1's** table. They exchange their money for a gift and exit.

- **Person 1:** (Cont.) Have a nice day. Thank you for your business. Merry Christmas. Well, that does it! Sells out every year. (To **Person 2**) How did you do?
- **Person 2:** I don't understand. You're selling material trinkets and I'm giving away eternal salvation. How did you sell out?
- **Person 1:** It's all about your delivery.
- **Person 2:** My delivery?
- **Person 1:** Perhaps you should be a little more...what's the word? Flashy? Showy?
- **Person 2:** Don't you think eternal salvation and everlasting hope is enough?
- **Person 1:** Perhaps if it was jazzed up a bit more. You know instead of a baby born in a manger, a baby born in a mansion surrounded by...by.
- **Person 2:** Tinsel and presents?
- **Person 1:** Exactly.
- **Person 2:** I just thought the Son of God being revealed to man was powerful enough.
- **Person 1:** Well, we all get it wrong sometimes. See you tomorrow. Happy Holidays.
- Person 2: Merry Christmas.

The end.

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