A script from



"The Crazy Truth: Jesus is Born"

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What A show called The Crazy Truth is the setting in this interactive skit, where

Professor Imani and his sidekick, Zaney teach audiences (despite the meddlings of Dr. Doubt) the story of Jesus' birth and how God uses little things to make a big difference in the world. Note: This is Day 6, if using in The Crazy Truth series.

Themes: Christmas, Purpose, God Uses Small Things, God's Plan

Who Professor Imani Joseph

Doctor Doubt Jesus

Zaney Announcer Mary Sign Holder

When Present day laboratory and Biblical times

Wear Professor Imani has crazy hair, colorful clothes and a white lab coat. Zaney has zany hair and is dressed in a white painter's suit with science goggles. Dr. Doub

zany hair and is dressed in a white painter's suit with science goggles. Dr. Doubt is dressed in nice pants, white button down, red black or neutral tie and is clean cut and also in a lab coat. Your Sign Holder can be wearing similar attire to Imani and Zaney or be dressed like your audience. Bible people can be dressed in

period dress.

*See the end for a complete list of props and set.

Why Luke 2; 2 Corinthians 12:9

How *See the end for ideas on how to perform this script.

Time Approximately 6 minutes

Theme music/noises play

Announcer: Weeeeeelcome everyone to our show...The Crazy Truth!

Cheer Sign; Audience cheers

Announcer: And now...here's you awesomely amazing, stupendously splendiferous and electrically entertaining, the one...the only...Professor Imani!

Imani Sign; Audience chants:

Audience: Imani! Imani! Imani!

Enter **Imani**

Imani: Well hello there everyone! Professor Imani here and I sure am glad to

see all of you! Today is a very special show as we celebrate this great season for the very reason we're all here tonight! t's going to be

craaaaaaazy! Care to join me?!

Cheer Sign; Audience cheers!

Imani: But I can't do this alone. I need my never-let-you-down-always-be-

around-bestie-who doesn't know how to wear a frown, Zaney!

Cheer Sign; Audience cheers!

Enter Zaney. She's smiling and waving.

Zaney: Gee willikers, Professor Imani. Those are some really nice things you said

about me. But y'know...it's just little old me. I'm nothing special. I'm

just...Zaney.

mani: (moving toward Zaney) Are you kidding me, Zaney? You may be small,

but even the smallest of us can do big things! Just take my new

invention here.

Zaney: (looking at the Invention on the table. It is very small compared to his

other experiments. She really leans in and looks closely at it, squinting her eyes.) Gee, Professor...you're not kidding! This new invention of

yours is teeny tiny!

Imani: Don't let its small stature fool you. This little machine packs a big punch.

Zaney: How's it work?

Imani: (pulling out a sheet of paper and tearing it as he speaks) Watch, as it

takes this one tiny, small, little piece of paper and turns it into a ton of

confetti that can fill this whole room!



Zaney: Wow! Really? What a fun way to celebrate Jesus' Birthday...tons of

confetti! And this one little simple contraption right here can really do

all that?

Imani: Sometimes even the smallest, tiniest, littlest things in life can still touch

the masses in a big way. And this machine is no different. Whattya think

of that, everybody?

That's Crazy sign; Audience shouts:

Audience: That's Crazy!

Enter **Doctor Doubt**

Doubt: Crazy?! Why, that's impossible!

Dr. Doubt, Get Out! Sign; Audience shouts:

Audience: Doctor Doubt, get out!

Doubt: No, I will not get out! You get out! Get out now while you still can before

Professor Imani makes fools of you all! You can't really believe anything *(pointing to invention)* this small can do the big things he's talking

about.

Zaney: I believe it!

Doubt: (putting an arm around her shoulder and leading her as he talks)

Zaney... you of all people should realize this. You're so little. So tiny. So

small. Too small to do anything very big in this world.

Zaney: (a little discouraged) Well, I...uh...l'm not so...l mean...l am little but—

Doubt: See? What did I tell ya?

Imani: Zaney, don't listen to him. You know what you should listen to?

Zaney: No. What?

Imani: Listen to this story in the Bible about Jesus' birth!

Doubt: Oh, c'mon!

Sign Holder stands up and moves left and right in front of the audience a la "Wayne's World scene change" (Google it) saying "Doodley doo! Doodley doo! Doodley doo! Doodley doo! Doodley doo!" And the audience joins in.

BIBLE SCENE



Mary is talking to an unseen Jesus in a crib/bassinet. Joseph is sitting in the background scribbling intently on a piece of paper.

Mary:

(baby-talking to Jesus) You like this story, don't you? Don't you? I do too. Yes I do. Yes I do! (In a regular voice) The night you were born was a very special night. You see, mama was so tired from our long trip to Bethlehem and when we finally arrived, there wasn't room for us anywhere! Nowhere except a stinky old stable. (Baby voice) That's right! You were born in a stinky smelly stable. (Regular voice) But, God was watching over us. A beautiful star was shining high in the sky right above us. We wrapped you up and laid you in a manger. It was really quite cozy. And then some shepherds came to see you. God sent a whole sky full of angels to tell them about your birth. And then some Magi came to visit you from far, far away. They had seen that bright and beautiful star in the sky and knew that God had promised to send the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords into the world and, so they followed that star and came to see you...the Son of God. (Baby talk) My little boy. Yes you are! Yes you are my special little guy! (Noticing Joseph writing) Are you writing all of this down?

Joseph: No. I'm writing down all the reasons I'm a terrible father.

Mary: What?! Joseph! (Moving towards him) You're a wonderful father.

Joseph: Are you kidding me? I'm not a wonderful father. I mean compared to his real father. His Heavenly Father. (Holding up the list and shaking it a bit) And I have the list here to prove it.

Mary: Joseph, you *are* his *real* father. God chose you... *you* to watch over him and be his daddy here on this earth.

Joseph: What was God thinking picking little old me? I'm nothing special. I'm just a carpenter. Just an ordinary man. I'm just an...average Joe. (Holding up the list and shaking it a bit) And this list is all the reasons why God should have picked someone else for the job.

Mary: Joseph. (Taking the list) God didn't look at a list like this when he chose you. And in fact, our son, Jesus, he came to earth for lists like this. Not so he could (shaking it at Joseph) throw all our bad stuff back in our faces and tell us how bad we are but, so he could... (she takes it and tears it slowly in half)

Joseph: (he flinches a bit then gives a big sigh) Hey...that felt kinda good.

Mary: See? Now, come on...it's Jesus' birthday. We should be celebrating.

Joseph: Yeah, you're right. How do you want to celebrate?

Mary:

(tearing up the list into even more tiny pieces. She hands half of them to **Joseph** who looks at her with confusion. Then looking in on Jesus she throws up the little pieces of paper like confetti and says in a "whisper shout") Happy Birthday, Jesus!

Joseph:

(understanding now, he looks at Jesus too and throwing up the pieces of paper like confetti as well "whisper shouts") Happy Birthday, Jesus!

They hug each other and smile looking in on a sleeping Jesus.

LAB SCENE

Sign Holder stands up and moves left and right in front of the audience saying "Doodley doo! Doodley doo! Doodley doo!" And the Audience joins in.

Zaney: I guess big things can come in small packages after all, hey there Dr.

Doubt?

Imani: I think God sending Jesus as a little itty-bitty baby proves that. And even

though Mary and Joseph weren't perfect, nobody is! God chose them to

be Jesus' mommy and daddy here on earth.

Zaney: And God chooses us too! We may sometimes feel like we're not enough,

that we mess up too much or that we don't do more things right, but God looks at us with an open heart and a kind smile. Kind of like how

Mary and Joseph looked at their little baby, Jesus.

Doubt: (begins sobbing uncontrollably)

Imani: Dr. Doubt...? What's wrong?

Doubt: (sobbing) That's just...just so...so...wonderful! (Smiling) I so often feel

like all my doubting is just going to make God mad at me or something, and like I'm not really doing any good at all. But you're saying that God

loves me no matter what! Right?

Zaney: He sure does! There's nothing you could ever put on any list that would

make God love you any less. He will always love you! And me! God sent

Jesus to show us that.

Imani: Even when we feel small and insignificant...like there's not much we

can do right. Or that we're not very special...God says that we are important and that we *can* do big things! Whattya think of that,

everybody?

That's Crazy sign; Audience shouts:

Audience: That's crazy!



Zaney: That's Christ! The Crazy Truth is, everybody, that God thinks you are

pretty special. So special that he sent his son, Jesus to live with us and to

love us and teach us how to live and love God and others.

Imani: Yep! That's it. No one is too small or insignificant to do *big* things for

God! And I'll prove it with my itty-bitty, small but mighty invention here.

Are you ready?

Doubt: (jumping up and down giddy) I am! I am! I believe! I believe!!!

Imani: Watch as this tiny invention uses this one little piece of paper to fill this

room with Birthday confetti to celebrate Jesus' birthday!

Zaney: Let's countdown together! Starting with 5!

All: 5...4...3...2...1!!!!

Confetti is blasted from everywhere!

Happy Birthday Music begins to play. **Imani**, **Zaney** and **Doubt** lead the audience in a round of "Happy Birthday" to Jesus.

Theme music comes on.

Imani: Until next time everyone, remember...God loves you! And keep on

seeking to discover...

The Crazy Truth! Sign; Audience shouts:

Audience: The Crazy Truth!

Imani and Zaney and Doubt wave and EXIT

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HOW

Split stage presentation where Imani's Lab is on one part of the stage and the other stage is for the Bible story. If possible, rehearse with your Sign Holder/Adults/Counselors/Teachers prior to the presentation the interactive audience lines. Also, none of your "inventions" need to actually do what they say. They just need to appear to do what they say. The idea is to have the invention be a part of the interactive aspect and in this case the machine goes a little wacky and sprays water on the audience. You can have Zaney and Imani standing behind the invention spraying water. Adults in the audience, counselors/teachers/etc. could be equipped prior to the presentation with small water squirters to squirt the audience when it's time.

SET

Spinny wheels Tubes Colors Gears

Think of things that you could buy cheap and big at Home Depot/Lowes and paint and configure

Neon colored cutout shapes of test tubes, gears, springs Hula hoops with a ball in the middle made to look like an atom/molecule Biblical costumes for Bible story scenes

COSTUMES

Imani

White lab coat
Crazy hospital pattern pants or other brightly colored pant
Wacky tie/bow tie
Button down brightly colored shirt (not red)
Science goggles
Possibly an "Einstein" wig

Zaney

White painters coveralls
Science goggles
Pigtails with pipe cleaners sticking out of hair in curly springs

Doubt

Gray/white lab coat Black pants

White collared shirt Red tie



Large signs for audience that read the following:

CHEER! (or hands clapping may be better...like the ones on Facebook icon)

IMANI!

Dr. Doubt, Get Out! (or a pic of the words "Dr. Doubt" with red circle and line over)

That's Crazy! (or sign with just "crazy" on it or a swirly spinny crazy thing

Choose words or symbols based on the age of your audience.

PROPS

Table for contraption Confetti "cannons" or "tubes" Crib or bassinet Chair/lazy boy/armchair

Contraption

Get creative! They don't actually have to "do" what they say they do, they just have to have "working parts" that you can imitate that they do what they say they can do.

For this script, the contraption should be small.

Tech needs

Theme song
Lab sounds
Song: happy Birthday

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