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“god’s R us”

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What Bill walks into gods R Us with a pile of life problems. Mary helps him to find a god for every challenge, when Bill realizes that he really just wants one god who can help him with everything.

Themes: God, Challenges, Problems, Support, Dependence

Who Mary
Bill

When Present

**Wear
(Props)** Desk/chair
Computer/keyboard
'GODS R US' sign
Coupon flyer

Mary should be dressed for work in an office.
Bill is in casual clothes.

Why 1 Corinthians 8:6

How Keep the dialogue conversational. Mary is very energetic throughout the script, so keep her energy up. Bill is desperate for help and overwhelmed.

Time Approximately 4 minutes

Lights up, we see a computer terminal and phone at a desk center stage. A large sign, "GODS 'R US, is by a desk. Mary is typing at a computer when Bill enters and approaches Mary's desk.

Mary: (perky, with energy; to *Bill*) Hello there, welcome to god's R Us. I'm Mary, your god's R Us customer service representative. (*Bill tries to speak, is cut off*) Before we begin, I do have to say that, for the purposes of good customer service, our conversation may be monitored by the god of Quality Improvement. (*Bill looks around as if being watched*) Now, how may I help you?

Bill: Well, uh, I have a LOT of problems, and I need some help.

Mary: Oh, go no further. You've come to the RIGHT place. Our motto is "Got gods?" Tricky, huh? Now, what seems to be the matter?

Bill: Okay, to start with, I've been, well, a bit depressed lately and—

Mary: Depressed you say? Okay, okay let me type that into our searchable god's R Us database... (*types*) Oh, sir, you are in luck! There are 324,578 gods that can help you with depression!

Bill: Huh? How many?

Mary: 324,578. (*Scrolling, looking at computer screen*) Let's see. There's the god of perkiness. The god of boot-strap-pulling up. The god of smiley faces. The god of get over it. The god of—

Bill: Never mind! I get the picture.

Mary: Very well. We'll put those god's into your electronic shopping cart. (*Typing*) There. Anything else sir?

Bill: Ah, oh yeah. My family is in quite a lot of turmoil. We have a new baby, I'm working long hours, my wife's mother is ill, and—

Mary: Whoa there, big fella! Let me catch up. (*Typing*) Okay, let's see what deities are up. WOW! Are you in luck! We've got over half a million gods and lesser gods that do family problems!

Bill: Half a million??!! Wha—?

Mary: Uh huh! (*Scrolling*) Let's see. The god of poo-poo diapers. The god of watching too many Barney videos. The god of work stress. The god of home stress. The god of texting each other at meal times, the god of texting each other in the car. The god of texting yourself to remember to text your family member—

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Bill: STOP! Okay, I think I have it. (*Runs hand through hair*) Man, that's a lot of gods.

Mary: Well, the world is a troubled place, eh sir?

Bill: Yeah, guess you're right.

Mary: So, we'll add these family gods to your cart, too. (*Quick type*) There! Now, do you have any more problems our delightful deities can help with?

Bill: (*takes out list from pocket, reads from it*) Uh, got anybody for teen problems?

Mary: (*hits keyboard*) The god of Clearasil.

Bill: Marital problems?

Mary: The god of daytime talk shows.

Bill: Needing extra income?

Mary: Mcgod.

Bill: Elderly parents?

Mary: God of the Golden Girls reruns.

Bill: Lack of courage?

Mary: The god of (*makes a chicken sound- bock, bock, bock*)

Bill: Wow. Look, ma'am, these are just too much to keep track of. Isn't there...isn't there a God who, like, covers ALL my problems? Just one God that does it all?

Mary: (*long pause, big sigh*) Well! (*types*) Yes, there IS one God, BUT you don't want Him. He's MUCH too expensive, and his programming is a little, well, shall we say, old fashioned.

Bill: (*leaning in*) Tell me more.

Mary: (*scrolling*) Okay...yes, He is in stock, but sir...let me try and steer you away from this model. You have to go through so many hoops with Him. He's hard to get rid of when the problem's solved. He's always checking in with you. Paying attention, yadda yadda yadda.

Bill: Sounds great. Is He compatible with any system?

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Mary: Oh, no, I'm sure He's not... (*scrolling*) Yes, not very "I-Compatible" hmm. Strange. But listen, sir, instead of looking for such an expensive and old model, let me steer you to some of our internet specials. Go to www gods-a-plenty dot com and download Helper gods Version 4.0. It's free and will help you locate any god for any occasion.

Bill: You know what, I think I'll pass. But thanks for the help. (*Starts to exit*) I think.

Mary: (*calling after him*) How about our other specials? (*Holding up a flyer*) Buy 12 gods, get the 13th one free?

Bill: No thanks.

Mary: Wait! I didn't get to tell you about our free membership to our Bulk gods Warehouse. Buy your gods in bulk and save a ton!

Bill: Goodbye! (*Exits*)

Mary: Sir? Limited time offer! Don't forget about our moonlight madness god sale! Sirrr!!

Lights out.

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