

Company

THE WISE & FOOLISH BUILDERS SKETCH



GET CREATIVE



1 HOUR



PREPARATION
NEEDED

AIM

Take the well-known parable of the Wise & Foolish Builders and rewrite it to tell the story in a modern setting. Film the sketch and enter it into our Spring 2023 video competition.

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- › Bible
- › Costumes & Props
- › Video Camera
- › Editing Software (Optional)

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THEME: SINGING, ACTING & DANCING




LEADER PREPARATION

Leaders may wish to collate some appropriate props / costumes for young people to use in the sketch. A camera will be needed to record the sketch, however a smartphone would be suitable for this.



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Challenge your young people to take the parable of the Wise & Foolish Builders and rewrite it for the modern day, with a drama sketch.

- 1 The Wise & Foolish Builders:** Start by exploring the parable, reading it from the Bible in  **Matthew 7:24-27**. As a group discuss the meaning behind the parable and what Jesus is trying to say with this story. Start thinking about what modern day context Jesus would tell this story in, if he were to tell it now?
- 2 Plan & Write a Sketch:** The challenge is to retell this parable in a modern-day context. As a group come up with a plan for the sketch and start writing a story/script. Make sure the meaning behind the story is clear and comes across in the script.
- 3 Rehearse:** Now the story has been written, start putting the sketch together. Young people should practise their lines and directions. You may also want to consider at this point what costumes / props (if any), you'll need too.
- 4 Film & Edit:** Once the group are happy with their sketch, then it's time to perform it for real. Set up a camera and film your young people performing it. If young people wish to, they could then also edit to footage to merge different camera shots or to add background music or sound effects. This isn't essential, a simple one-shot recording can be just as effective.
- 5 Enter our Competition:** Once everything has been completed then you can enter our video competition that is open throughout Spring 2023. Entries can be submitted via the competitions tab on the Programme Hub. The rules for the competition are as follows:
 - The sketch must only feature young people in the Company & Seniors age groups.
 - A recommended limit of 5 minutes for the video is suggested.
 - All entries must be submitted by Sunday 30th April.

The winning entry will receive a **£50 Amazon voucher** to spend on Company equipment.



IDEAS TO TAKE THIS FURTHER...

Consider performing this sketch, or showing the video, in a Church service or parents' night.



KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please ensure you have the appropriate permission to film young people.