

Real World Skit: One Truth

Characters: Moriah, Victor, Alyssa, Ben

Props: One sturdy chair or step stool for Victor to climb onto.

Moriah: There are so many things I don't understand about God.

Victor: I know what you mean, Moriah. I've heard so many different things. And everyone says THEY are right!

Alyssa: I know. People don't agree about who God is, who Jesus is, or how to get to heaven. I just don't get it!

Victor: There's Ben. He knows about God, let's ask him. HEY, BEN! Over here.

Victor waves Ben over. Ben joins the group.

Ben: Hey, guys. What's going on?

Moriah: We have a Bible question for you!

Alyssa: Yes, we do. How do you know what is true?

Ben: Wow! That's a pretty deep subject.

Moriah: We thought you could tell us! You seem to know about God and the Bible.

Victor: Yeah. Tell us.

Ben: OK. First of all, there can only be one truth. You can't just make up your own truth about stuff. Victor, get up on this chair for a minute. *(Victor climbs up and stands on chair.)* If you believe you can fly, and you jump off of this chair and flap your arms really hard, will you fly?

Victor: No, of course not. I'll land on the floor! Watch! *(Victor jumps off chair flapping arms wildly.)*

Ben: See? You can't fly just because you believe you can.

Victor: That's for sure!

Alyssa: So, what are you saying, Ben?

Moriah: Are you saying just because I believe something is true, that doesn't make it true?

Ben: Yes! Exactly.

Victor: But how do we know what IS true?

Ben: We have to find it in the only place we can find truth—the Bible! It was written by God. And He knows everything!

Moriah: But many people say they have a “holy book” that's true. How is the Bible any different?

Ben: Well first of all, God tells us that the Bible is His Word! And we know God can't lie!

Victor: That's a good point.

Ben: Also, some of the New Testament was written by people who lived and talked with Jesus and were eyewitnesses to the miracles He did. And other parts of the New Testament were written by men who learned about Jesus from eyewitnesses!

Alyssa: You know, I never thought about that, either. So, the Bible is like a real history book. It was written by people who were there, living in that time!

Ben: That's right. And don't forget that God was the one who inspired all the authors to write what they wrote. You know, if God can create the universe, I think He can make sure His Word is all true and correct.

Victor: So, the Holy Spirit, who is God, helped the writers—write—the right things!

Ben: Yep! God knew all the details. Even though there were many writers, we know there is only one book, one Author, one Jesus, and one God.

Alyssa: But if the Bible is true, why doesn't everyone believe it?

Moriah: Yeah. Most people laugh at what the Bible says. I'm not even sure I believe it!

Ben: Well, the Bible says that people don't believe God's Word because their hearts don't want to believe in the one true God. If they believed in God, then they would have to believe that God created them . . . and that He is the ruler of their life and the whole universe!

Victor: And people don't like that idea?

Ben: No. Because we are all sinners; it's hard to humble ourselves, admit we sin, and admit that we need God.

Alyssa: What does sin have to do with it? I thought we just had to be pretty good to get to heaven. You know, do more good things than bad! Isn't that true?

Ben: A lot of people think that. But it's not true. The Bible says that we could never work our way into heaven because we are all sinners—none of us is good enough. God is holy, and He hates all sin. Even when we do our very best works, they still aren't good enough to please God.

Moriah: Then what can we do? It sounds like it is hopeless!

Ben: Well, the answer is in the Bible! It tells us the truth about ALL of this stuff. And it tells us about Jesus. And what He did for us!

Victor: Do you mean dying on the Cross?

Ben: Yes! Jesus came to earth and obeyed His Heavenly Father perfectly. He did not sin. And He took the punishment for sinners when He died on the Cross. Because Jesus came and died on the Cross, we now have a way to get to heaven.

Alyssa: Even though we still sin sometimes? How does that work?

Ben: Jesus died for sinners. And we are ALL sinners! But the gospel tells us that we need to repent—in other words be really and truly sorry for our sins. We need to turn away from our sins and turn to Jesus! He is God. And He died so we could be forgiven.

Victor: But what if we don't believe? What if we aren't that sorry for our sins?

Ben: The truth is, if we don't believe in Jesus and accept the truth about Him and what He did for us, we will not be forgiven, and we will be separated from God forever. Jesus is the only way to God. There is only one God and one truth—and that truth is found in the Bible!

Moriah: Wow! Thanks for talking with us, Ben.

Alyssa: This is serious! I have some things to think about! Thanks, Ben!

Ben: You know, a lot of people say they don't believe the Bible. Or they are confused about it. But if we ask them, we might find out they haven't even tried to read it. So I'd like to challenge all of you to start reading your Bible . . . just a little every day. I think you will begin to learn a lot. It is a good book—and the only truth.