

Monday Skit 2019: God's Story

Characters:

Brothers Grimm #1

Brothers Grimm #2

Doc

Happy

Grumpy

Sleepy

Bashful

Audience members (optional)

Overview: We open on the Grimm Brothers presenting their new fairy tale idea to the audience (additional skit members or the campers in the seats). The Dwarves come home from a day at work and disperse to their homes. Doc goes around to check up on each dwarf where they each disclose their struggles with their identity and purpose within the story.

- Sleepy always oversleeps and never makes plans (some serious anxiety about missing out...aka FOMO).
- Happy tries to bring their happiness to the others but they can't.
- Grumpy is always angry; they want people to see the world through their eyes (no one understands).
- Bashful feels too scared and overwhelmed to approach their friends but wants to develop closer relationships (wanting to gain more confidence in themselves).
- Doc feels like he isn't doing enough to help his friends (not meeting his own perception of success).

The Brothers Grimm "break the fourth wall" and tell them what each of their purposes are, and how they are all a part of the bigger story.

Lesson: We are all a part of God's story. He created everything and everyone. We fell away from Him, but God sent Jesus into the world to live, die, and rise again for each one of us. Our stories are therefore tied into God's story, and we have a place in advancing the greatest story ever told.

Props: Story book, Pick Axes, Pillow, Clipboard and Pen, Watch (can make one with cardboard or use your own)

Dwarves, feel free to Ad Lib but maintain the same message. Grimms can split up their lines as they would like to)

*We open up with the Grimm Brothers at the front of the stage with a story book of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarves" and the audience of kids in front of them, while the Dwarves wait in the back.

BROS: Hellooooooo! We are the Brothers Grimm, and we'd like to share a new story that we wrote! We hope you enjoy it! Once upon a time, there were several dwarves ...

** The Brothers Grimm fade to the background. "Heigh-Ho" song plays to transition the dwarves entering from the back. They pause in the middle of the aisle.*

Music will fade out when dwarves get to middle of the aisle

DOC: Alright, everyone! What a great day down in the mines. Now that work is done, you're all free to go home and relax! I'll check in with you later to see how you're doing.

DWARVES: Thanks, DOC. See you later Doc. **Once they disperse, music will fade back in and fade back out when Doc gets to front of the chapel.**

NOTE: Doc should write down the main problem of each dwarf on the clipboard (as they present it to him if audience sees...ahead of time if not), this will come up at the end of the skit!!!!

**The dwarves all leave to corners in the chapel. Doc walks over to a visibly tired Sleepy. When Sleepy arrives at his corner, he yawns with an overly exaggerated stretch, and lays down on the ground. Doc tries to get Sleepy's attention, and he stands up with another overly exaggerated stretch.*

SLEEPY: **BIG yawn** What's up, Doc?

DOC: Hey, Sleepy! I noticed you were late to work today and you didn't bring in as many diamonds as you usually do. Are you doing okay?

SLEEPY: I dunno, Doc. I've just been really tired all day and I just can't seem to stay awake! I only got sixteen hours of sleep last night! I've missed out on so much because I've been sleeping through everything. I even ended up using a big rock as a pillow today! UGH I just feel bad because I'm not pulling my own weight like the others.

DOC: Wow... that sounds like a problem, Sleepy! Perhaps I might give you this watch with a pre-set alarm to keep myself awake. It seems you might need it more than I do.

SLEEPY: I appreciate it, Doc. Maybe that will help me stay awake tomorrow!

DOC: Okay, Sleepy! I'll catch you later!

**Doc then proceeds to Happy*

HAPPY: **Jumping up down** Hey, Doc! How is your day going? How's your week? Did you get enough sleep?

DOC: I'm good! I just checked up on Sleepy. How's your day going?

HAPPY: My day is absofruitly amazarific! I did my best at work today and I supported the others and... and... **NOBODY ELSE SEEMS TO BE HAPPY!!!** (**in a confused tone*) I tried to encourage my friends at work, I sang them songs, I gave them gold stars, and nothing seems to work!

DOC: Yeah, I saw you were helping out Grumpy, and I'm not sure why he wasn't happy about that. But don't let anyone get you down. Perhaps I should go check in with him... Bye!

(Doc proceeds over to Grumpy, Grumpy is clearly upset. On Doc's way over to Grumpy, take a deep inhale to prepare yourself for Grumpy's grumpiness)

DOC: Hey Grump- (*Grumpy shouts out in frustration*)

DOC: (*takes a deep breath*) You seem a *little bit* tense.

GRUMPY: I AM TENSE!! Nothing ever seems to go my way! Everything I do, even if it's good, I'm NEVER SATISFIED. No one understands me! They just don't get it! Happy tries to cheer me up and it just doesn't work!

DOC: Wow. (*taken back reaction*)

GRUMPY: I'm just always mad and grumpy and upset about everything even when I want to be happy!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

DOC: Um.....well I hope you feel better and not mad. I wish I could help you out a little bit more.

GRUMPY: (*eye roll*) Probably not.

**Bashful next. They are cowering all sad and embarrassed like*

DOC: Hi there, Bashful. How's it going? I just wanted to check in with you.

BASHFUL: Well...I guess I'm okay. I wanted to help out my friends down in the mine but I was too scared to offer to help. I didn't want anyone to think that I wasn't good at my job, but I just didn't know what to say.

DOC: Ooooooh that's pretty rough there, buddy. You might be being a little hard on yourself. I'm sure that confidence is in there somewhere! OH! I'm running a little late, I should probably get going. I'll see you later!

BASHFUL: OH WAIT! I had one more---nevermind.... **Doc keeps walking*

**Doc comes to centerstage*

DOC: Good gravy. Everybody seems so overwhelmed **Doc becomes more defeated after reading each problem**. Sleepy is always sleepy and lagging behind, Happy is confused why no one else is happy, Grumpy is never satisfied and upset because he's not happy, and Bashful has no confidence at all! I wish I could help them out more. But now that I think about it, maybe all my suggestions just weren't good enough. I didn't really listen and I just tried to get to my next person. I just don't know what my purpose is here.

GRIMM BROS: FOURTH WALL BREAK **kicks down fourth wall** Hey you guys!! Bring it in! We have something to say!!!

**Everybody gathers at front - MAKE SURE TO STAGGER*

DWARVES: Who are YOU?

BRO 1: We're the authors of this story. You need to understand that when we wrote this, we made each of you the way you are because you each have a special purpose in the story. You're all so concerned with your own stories, you're missing the big picture.

SLEEPY: Wait, so my sleepiness will be useful at some point?

HAPPY: And being cheerful will actually help someone out?

GRUMPY: And being mad all the time will be beneficial to the story?

BASHFUL: **Attempts to speak. Then smiles.*

DOC: And all I had to tell them was that they were meant to be that way?

BRO 2: YES. Sometimes the answer is just that simple! But this story (Snow White) isn't the only story you're a part of. God has written you into a narrative even bigger than you can imagine. You're all vital to the heart of the story and God has crafted the beginning and the end of it. You don't have to question who you are because God has written you the way you are for a reason.

**Dwarves come to a realization and nod their heads in agreeance*

**Bros close the book. THE END.*