

FRUIT Skit

Characters

1. Child (seen)
2. GOD (unseen)

Props: White board and markers or large poster board a Book of Mormon and Bible

This skit would be good with audience participation reading the scriptures. Or have a small group praying together and taking turns reading the child's part.

Child: "Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name." Thank you God for taking care of me and loving me. Praise you Lord!

GOD: You're welcome.

Child: Create in me a clean heart, so I won't sin against you. Please show me bugs and weeds in the garden of my heart so I can repent.

GOD: I will.

Child: And, thank you for helping me to remove the rocks of unforgiveness in my heart.

GOD: You are welcome. Do you have fruit?

Child: What? Fruit? Like apples and bananas?

GOD: Not quite. Fruit in the scriptures is a little bit different. Can you spell it?

Child: I. T. — it. (laughs at his own joke) Oh, you mean spell fruit? Let's see, I think it's tricky.

F.

R.

U.

I.

T.

GOD: Good! Now, there's a word that goes with each letter. Do you know the first two?

Child: Well, we've been talking about forgiveness and repentance, so I'm guess those come first. (Write on board next to F. and R.)

F orgiveness
R epentance

GOD: Good! You are on the right track. The next word is what you have to do to open something that is locked.

Child: Unlock!!

GOD: Yes!

Child: Oooh. Forgiveness and Repentance Unlock... This is like a treasure hunt!
(Write Unlock on board next to U.)

But, Unlock what?

GOD: Here's your next clue. The scripture says, "I would that ye should repent..."

Child: (Interrupts) Ooh, repent, we've been talking about that!

GOD: Yes. "...and forsake your sins...or ye can in no wise INHERIT the kingdom of God." Did you catch the word?

Child: Inherit! We inherit the Kingdom because you are the King and we are your children, right? (Writes "Inherited" on board or has a helper write it)

GOD: Right!

Child: Okay, so... We have (have audience help read what is up there so far)

Forgiveness and Repentance Unlock Inherited, what?

GOD: One more clue. Proverbs 15:6, the first part of the verse.

Child: Hmmm. Here it is, "In the house of the righteous— wait, righteous means repented and forgiven, right?"

GOD: Right.

Child: Ok. "In the house of the righteous is much **treasure**" TREASURE! Ohhh! How exciting! (Write Treasure. Read list again) Wow! Wait. What is the treasure?

GOD: The first one is in the scripture we read. It said IF YOU DON'T repent, you won't inherit it.

Child: Ohhh! The Kingdom of God!

GOD: Yes! That is life with me and others who love me.

Child: Wow! What else?

GOD: Ephesians 5:9 says the Fruit of the Spirit is in all what?

Child: Ummm. Let's see...goodness, righteousness and truth! But what is fruit? I still don't get it.

GOD: Look up Galatians 5:22

Child: Okay. Let's see. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance; against such there is no law."

Wow!! 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9! That's a lot of fruit!!

GOD: That's right! You are known by your fruits. If you have these fruits, people know that you are my child and that I am your King!

Child: So, after I forgive someone and I feel so much joy way down deep that bubbles up, that's a Fruit of the Spirit?

GOD: Yes! That's it!

Child: And when I love people so much I want to share or be kind to them, that's a Fruit?

GOD: Absolutely! You've got it. Fruit is for sharing. It doesn't do any good just staying on the plant.

Child: But, I don't feel that way all of the time. I don't always have fruit. Sometimes, I'm selfish and grumpy.

GOD: Yes, all of my children are like that sometimes. But when you don't have fruit, you know what to do, right?

Child: I guess I do. Forgiveness and Repentance Unlock Inherited Treasures. I need to spend time with you, pray, repent and forgive all over again.

GOD: That's right! Just like a plant that needs to be watered and taken care of, you have to tend the garden of your heart. A healthy plant produces fruit. A healthy heart produces fruit. Fruit is for sharing and living in my Kingdom.

Child: Wow! I want to share your fruit!

GOD: Great! Just remember, the fruit comes from My Spirit inside of the garden of your heart. I grow it in you.

Child: Okay. Thanks for the treasure and the fruit!

GOD: You're welcome. There's more treasure to discover, but we will save it for another time.

Child: There's more?

GOD: Of course. There's always more!