

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

by TIM BASS

GENRE: Comedy

SYNOPSIS: Larry encourages Linda to aim a little higher with her New Year's resolution, and rely on God to supply the strength to reach her goals.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Linda should be played as deadpan and sincerely as possible to heighten the ridiculousness of her "resolutions."

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 2

TOPIC: New Year's, Purpose

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Philippians 4:13

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: New Year's

SUGGESTED USE: Seeker Service, Sermon Introduction

CHARACTERS:

LINDA

LARRY

PROPS: A notebook, pen

COSTUMES: Contemporary

SOUND: Two wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A living room

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Lights up on LINDA. She sits on the sofa and is very intent on what she is doing, which is writing in a notebook. LARRY enters and sits.

LARRY: Hey.

LINDA: Hey.

LARRY: How are yah?

LINDA: Good. I'm good.

LARRY: Good. That's good.

LINDA: Yeah.

LARRY: Whatcha doing?

LINDA: This?

LARRY: Yeah.

LINDA: Nothing. New Year's resolutions.

LARRY: Ah.

LINDA: Yeah.

LARRY: Can I hear 'em?

LINDA: I don't know. I mean they're not like any big...

LARRY: C'mon. Let's hear 'em.

LINDA: Okay. Here goes. Number one: lose two pounds.

LARRY: Wait. I'm sorry. That was what? Lose what?

LINDA: Lose two pounds.

LARRY: This year. Lose two pounds this year?

LINDA: Right. Okay, number two: work out three times, no, wait...make that four times.

LARRY: A week?

LINDA: What?

LARRY: Work out. Four times a week?