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CHRISTIAN GAS

by JOHN COSPER

GENRE: Comedy/Light Drama

SYNOPSIS: A convenience store worker talks about the rise of the Christian marketplace, how there's a Christian equivalent for everything, and how this has led to Christian hiding from the secular world and keeping Jesus hidden as well.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Video can be used with this skit for the side bits. Play up the humor, but make sure the serious point comes out at the end.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 7

TOPIC: Christian Living

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Matthew 28:18-20

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Starter

CHARACTERS:

TOM – a Christian

WALT – a convenience store owner

DAWN – a commercial spokeswoman

DEREK – a friend of Walt

An Atheist

A Mighty Morphin Power of God Ranger

KIM – another commercial spokeswoman

PROPS: A convenience store counter, a newspaper, a register/computer

COSTUMES: Power Ranger costume. Dress clothes for Tom, Dawn, and Kim. Casual clothes for Derek and the Atheist. Convenience store shirt for Walt.

SOUND: Wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: A convenience store

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The scene takes place at a convenience store counter. WALT is reading the paper when TOM walks up.

TOM: Hey.

WALT: How's it going?

TOM: Not bad, not bad. Gas on three?

WALT: *(Presses some buttons on his computer)* Thirty-eight fifty-seven.

TOM: *(Hands WALT a card)* Here you go, and I'll need a receipt.

WALT: Yes, sir. *(Looks out the window)* Is that a church van?

TOM: Yes.

WALT: Really?

TOM: Yes, sir. First Christian, down the street.

WALT: Hmm. That's interesting.

TOM: Why do you say that?

WALT: Well, I just didn't think you people used regular gas any more.

TOM: What else would we be using?

WALT: Well...I dunno. With all the products you people have available, I figure it's only a matter of time before there's Christian gas.

TOM: Christian gas, huh?

WALT: Yeah.

TOM: That's an interesting concept. What would make it Christian.

WALT: *(Shrugs)* Clean burning? No alcohol?

TOM: A ha. That depends on what denomination you are.

WALT: Well, ya got me there.

TOM: Hence, the plan falls apart. We could never all agree on what constitutes Christian gas, so why bother?

WALT: Well, you've done well with a lot of other things. Christian books.