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NEW CAR SMELL

by SCOTT CRAIN

GENRE: Light Drama

SYNOPSIS: A depressed car salesman takes a prospective buyer for a test drive and ends up sharing his dissatisfaction with his Christian walk.

DIRECTOR'S TIP: Take care that Sam doesn't come across as disturbed or threatening. Greg's discomfort should come as a result of the oddness of the situation, not out of real fear.

TIME: Under 5 minutes

CAST BREAKDOWN: 2

TOPIC: Christian Living

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: Matthew 24:12, Revelation 3:15

CHURCH YEAR SEASON: Any

SUGGESTED USE: Sermon Starter, Worship Service

CHARACTERS:

SAM—a car salesman

GREG—an enthusiastic car shopper

PROPS: 2 chairs (side by side to represent a car's front seat)

COSTUMES: Contemporary casual for Greg, business attire for Sam

SOUND: Two wireless microphones

LIGHTING: General stage

SETTING: The interior of a new car

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Lights up on SAM and GREG, seated side by side. GREG sits to SAM's left, his hands on an invisible steering wheel. He pantomimes driving throughout the scene. When SAM speaks, it's with a lack of enthusiasm that is almost comic:

SAM: Just...make a left up here, and that'll take you back to the expressway.

GREG: *(Beaming with awe)* Wow, this suspension is just—amazing! I can barely feel the road.

SAM: Yep.

GREG: The car I'm driving now—it's so bumpy it's like being on horseback.

SAM: Yep.

GREG: And it gets how many miles to the gallon?

SAM: *(Sighs, looking out the window)* Thirty-two.

GREG: *(Grinning)* Thirty-two! And these are the new 2005s, right?

SAM: I guess.

GREG: I mean, this is top of the line?

SAM: Top of the line.

GREG: And you guys are offering zero percent financing. *(This comes out almost as a question. SAM just stares back at him, expressionless)* That's what the, uh, commercial said.

SAM: *(Blankly)* Then—that's what we're doing.

GREG: *(Smiles)* In that case—*(Grinning with excitement)*—I'll take it!

SAM: *(Emotionless)* Super.

Beat. GREG frowns.

GREG: Is something wrong?

SAM: What do you mean?

GREG: I mean, is there something wrong with the car?

SAM: Nope. It's the best car we sell.

GREG: Well, it's just...I dunno...you don't seem very excited about it.