

Real World Skit

Effects of the Fall

Cast: Ryan, Sarah, Zoe

Ryan is sitting in a chair with his arms crossed. He appears angry. Sarah and Zoe enter.

SARAH: Hi, Ryan. You want to play with us?

RYAN: I can't. I'm grounded for the whole day!

ZOE: Oh, no. What did you do?

RYAN: Nothing! It's just not fair!

SARAH: Oh, come on. You had to do something, or you wouldn't be grounded.

RYAN: No, I didn't do anything. I just borrowed a piece of bubble gum from my brother's coat pocket.

ZOE: You mean you stole it.

RYAN: No!

SARAH: Well, if you "borrowed" it, you'd be giving back a piece of chewed gum!

ZOE: Eeeew!

RYAN: OK, I guess you're right. I stole it. But it was just a piece of gum. Everyone does stuff like that.

SARAH: That's right. Everyone does do stuff like that. The Bible says our hearts are wicked and sinful, and we all sin.

RYAN: If we all sin, why should God care if I borrow . . . I mean steal . . . a little piece of gum? I mean, I'm a pretty good person. I haven't killed anyone. And the gum wasn't worth very much. And I only took it from my brother!

SARAH: There are no little sins. God hates all sin. All Adam and Eve did was eat one piece of fruit. And God really cared about that! Their sin changed everything! Now we are all sinners—because of that one sin.

ZOE: That's right. God told them not to, but they disobeyed and did it anyway.

SARAH: And because God is holy, He could not let it go unpunished. So He punished them. And He has to punish all of us because we all sin.

ZOE: Adam and Eve's sin brought death, pain, suffering, sickness, terrible storms, and all sorts of crime and violence into the world.

SARAH: And, the Bible says people who die in their sins—without the Lord's forgiveness—go to hell when they die! God really hates sin.

RYAN: You are *some* friends—full of great news today! You say God has to punish all sin. And you say the world is a mess because of sin. And you say that I sin and I deserve God's punishment. It seems kind of hopeless!

SARAH: It sounds like that but really our situation is FAR from hopeless!

RYAN: Yeah? Why?

SARAH: Because of what Jesus did! He lived a perfect life and He died for sinners! Whoever believes in Him, like the Bible says, won't be punished because Jesus took the punishment for them! Jesus offers forgiveness to everyone who repents and trusts in Him.

RYAN: Well, that is good news. God provides a way for us to be forgiven in Jesus! But I still wish I could get Mom and Dad to forget about the gum so I could play!

ZOE: Hmmm. I wouldn't count on it.

SARAH: Yeah. We'll come by tomorrow and see if you can play.

Sarah and Zoe exit.