Too Scared To Talk About Jesus

Recruit older volunteers to perform the skit.

Characters: Anna, Caleb, and Joshua

Teacher: Anna, Caleb, and Joshua have just heard a testimony by Mr. Michaels from their church. He is going to move to Albania, with Sarah and the rest of his family. He hopes to be able to share the gospel of Jesus Christ there. Mr. Michaels explained that it was the example of the Apostle Paul in the Bible that helped him decide to do this. We'll see what these three friends think of all of this.

Anna: Can you believe it? Sarah is going to be leaving! I can't believe her whole family is moving so far away!

Caleb: Man! They speak a completely different language in Albania! How will they even communicate? Did you talk to Sarah? What does she think about moving?

Anna: Well, she is sad and all. But she seems to be ready to go! She says the people in Albania just don't know about Jesus. There aren't very many churches there at all!

Joshua: She said she is looking forward to it! Even though she doesn't know the language. And she will be going to a public school there. She wants to meet other kids, and she really hopes she can share the gospel!

Caleb: So, what do you guys think about telling people about Jesus and being missionaries?

Anna: Well, I'm pretty sure my family will never go that far away! So I guess I'll never be a missionary!

Joshua: I don't think we'll ever go on the mission field either. But, Anna, you don't have to travel far away to tell people about Jesus!

Caleb: That's true. Jesus wants us to talk to our friends about Him. It is important that they hear that He died on the Cross for sinners.

Anna: I know! But I feel funny about it! I get scared to talk about Him!

Joshua: I think that is normal. We might feel bad or embarrassed. But we have to tell others!

Caleb: People might make fun of us because we believe in Jesus. But Jesus said to preach the good news to everyone!

Joshua: You know it can also be really discouraging. It seems like people don't want to hear about Jesus. They aren't interested at all.

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Anna: I agree! But you know, I guess that shouldn't stop us. After all, Jesus is the only way to get to heaven! How will they know about Him if no one tells them?

Caleb: But what about the people who get so angry when they hear about Him? Why do you think that is?

Anna: I guess they just don't want to know the truth and change their lives. After all, knowing and loving Jesus changes everything!

Joshua: You're right, Anna. And people don't want to change! They also don't like hearing that they need a Savior.

Caleb: And they don't want to hear that they are sinners and need forgiveness.

Anna: Sometimes people feel like they are being judged. Like we're saying they are wrong, and we are right. I think that makes them angry, too!

Joshua: That is all so sad though, because the Bible says there is only one way to be saved! Jesus Himself said you are either for Me or against Me.

Caleb: We don't want to make anyone angry. We're just telling them what the Bible says! What Jesus says! What God says! I wish they would listen!

Anna: I do, too! But what I really wish is that I would not be so scared to tell them. It is so important!

Caleb: I know! I think sometimes I am afraid to say anything because I'm afraid I won't know how to answer them, like if they have questions.

Joshua: I feel the same way, but that isn't a very good excuse.

Anna: True! Because we know the gospel—that Jesus is the only way to heaven! He died on the Cross for sinners. And everyone who repents of his sin can be forgiven and saved! That isn't really too hard.

Caleb: You're right, Anna! We do know that much.

Joshua: But I think I could know a whole lot more! If I would just spend more time reading the Bible and studying it.

Anna: Me, too! Look at Sarah! She studies the Bible a lot. And she is ready to go all the way to Albania to talk to people about Jesus.

Caleb: I suppose that is the only way to get better at defending our faith and the truth in the Bible.

Joshua: What do you mean?

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Caleb: Well, we need to learn as much as we can from the Bible. Then maybe we would be ready to answer other people's questions.

Anna: That makes sense. The more we know, the more confident we will be!

Joshua: Yes! We should be confident that we believe in Jesus! We really shouldn't be ashamed of Him!

Caleb: I think I need to study more, so I can be prepared to answer the questions I get.

Anna: I do, too. But I also think I have to stop being so afraid! I know Jesus wants me to tell people about Him. I know I can tell others what He has done for me in my life!

Joshua: I agree! And we can't get discouraged while we're doing it. Some people will believe what we say and want to hear it, and others may laugh or run the other way. That's just the way it will be.

Caleb: But, we have to speak up! It is just too important! I really appreciate talking to you all today.

Anna: This has been great. Let's try to be more confident and bold about Jesus, and tell others about Him!

Caleb: And let's keep learning what the Bible says so we can be prepared to answer other people's questions.

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