

Moses And The Great Escape.

Drama 5: Tablets Of Stone.

Characters

Moses
Aaron
Hebrew 1
Hebrew 2
Hebrew 3
Hebrew 4
God (Over mic)

Props

Tablets of stone.
Step ladder for Moses to climb

Scene: In the wilderness.

(Moses and Aaron enter)

Aaron: Well Moses, everyone has pitched their tents. The camp is ready for your inspection.
Moses: Well that was quick, is everyone all right?
Aaron: Well there are a few things that people are worried about. In fact there are a few people to see you now.

Enter Hebrews 1,2,3,4. They are pushing each other and arguing)

Moses: Hey stop that! What's going on?
Heb 1: He's stolen my goat.
Heb 2: No I didn't, that was my goat!
Heb 1: You've had your eye on it for ages, I knew you were going to steal it one day.
Heb 2: Rubbish. I've had that goat since it was a kid! My grandfather gave it to me.
Heb 3: Forget about smelly goats, what about my cooking pot! She's swopped my nice shiny one for her dirty old black and burned one!
Heb 4: You liar. I've polished that pot every evening for the past twenty years. As for you You wouldn't know a scrubbing brush if it jumped up and bit you!
Heb 3: Why you...
Heb 1: What about my goat.

(Heb 1,2,3,4 all speak at once., making a terrible din! They carry on doing this as Moses starts to call for quiet. He does this 3 times with no effect and on the fourth shouts very loudly and all goes quiet)

Moses: QUIET!!!!
Hebs: (together) Ooooooooo Keep your hair on Moses!
Moses: What's wrong with you people? You mustn't argue like this or we will all end up fighting. What we need are some rules to help us get on with each other.
Heb 1: Well that's simple. Rule one: He should give me my goat back!
Heb 3: And rule two: She should give me my cooking pot back!
Heb 2: But that's not fair!
Heb 4: Not fair at all.
Heb 1: Well rule three could be: He (points at Moses) should give us ice cream every day.
Heb 2,3,4: Ummmm... that sounds better.
Heb 2: And a bottle of vintage wine.
Heb 1,3,4: Yes!
Heb 3: And air conditioning in every tent!
Heb 1,2,4: (fanning themselves) Phew! that's a good one.
Heb 4: And a Nintendo DS for all the children!
Heb 1,2,3: Yea, that'll keep them out of our hair!
Moses: No, no no! That's not right at all. You can't go on like this or everything will go wrong. I need to go and talk to God. Just stop arguing!

(Heb 1,2,3,4, leave the stage arguing together again)

Moses: Aaron, go and sort them out will you

(Aaron leaves)

Moses: Oh this is terrible. It's all going wrong. We were supposed to escape from slavery and live happily ever after. And now ...now it's all going wrong.
God: Oh Moses what are you whining about now?
Moses: Ah, I wondered when you would turn up God. Well all that burning bush, and plagues and Red Sea stuff was very nice, but now it's all gone wrong.
God: Gone wrong, what do you mean?
Moses: I mean, they are all arguing and fighting and
God: Oh that! Well you see what they need Moses, are some rules to live by.
Moses: I know that God, but when I suggested it they just wanted rules for themselves and not others.
God: Well Moses what they need are my rules. I've got them all ready for you here. All I need you to do is to nip up that mountain over there with a couple of tablets and I'll let you have them. Writing on tablets is one of my specialities!
Moses: Tablets, what do you mean? There can't be many rules then, either that or you've got very small writing! I mean, I've got a couple right here.

(takes 2 smarties out of his pocket and holds them up)

God: Oh Moses! I mean a couple of stone tablets about 2 foot square, OK! Now, get a move on and get up the mountain will you!
Moses: Coming God, coming.

(He picks up stone tablets from the bottom of the ladder and climbs up several steps)
(Aaron, Hebs 1,2,3,4 enter)

Aaron: I'll ask Moses, he'll know what to do... (Looks around) ...
Heb 1: Well where is he?
Heb 2: He's gone.
Heb 3: Swanned off and left us.
Heb 4: Left us to do whatever we want.
Heb 1: Well? What are we waiting for?

(Disco music starts and Heb 1,2,3,4 start dancing, They keep pushing each other and trying to show off.)

Aaron: No stop it, this isn't right.
Heb 2: Ah! push off.
Aaron: But .. but..... Oh but what the heck. (joins in the dancing)

(Sound effect of loud clap of thunder, music stops)

Heb 1: Wha... Wha... What's that?

(Moses comes down from the ladder with tablets)

Moses: Don't you mean, who's that?
Heb 2: B.. B... But.
Heb 3: But you disappeared
Heb 4: You left us on our own.
Moses: Well I've been to see God, and HE has given me the rules. Just have a quick read of them then things will be better.

(Heb 1,2,3,4 peer at the tablets)

Heb 1,2,3,4: (make remarks) Ah, O I see, that's sensible, that's a good one etc etc.
Moses: Well I'm glad that this all makes sense. Now if we live by God's rules then everyone will get on with each other. No more fighting, no more arguing, no more stealing, all right? And who has to be number one?
Heb 1,2,3,4: (chanting) Moses Moses Moses.
Moses: (exasperated) No No ... will you never learn. (points to rule 1)
Heb 1,2,3,4: Ah, (chanting) God God! God!
Moses: That's better. Now I think this calls for a real party, don't you.
Heb 1,2,3,4: Hurray!

(Music starts and all start dancing together)

God: Now that's better, much better!

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