

JUST A LITTLE TUMOR

BIG IDEA

In this skit both the doctor and the patient are being foolish. The doctor knows that Bob really needs Surgery (Jesus) but is unwilling to spend the time to help Bob. Bob, in the end, is more concerned about his social appearance than his health (salvation).

KEY VERSES

Romans 6:23

MEMORY VERSE

Romans 6:23

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE LESSON

- Cast: Doc (a white coat and stethoscope would be nice, but not necessary), Bob (Just an average patient)
- Setting/Props: Two chairs if available. Throughout most of the sketch the doctor is standing. Only sitting to drive a point home.

GAME

- Cotton balls
- Small items to create two identical obstacle courses

CRAFT

- White paper pre-cut 4x6 inches, or index cards (20 per child)
- File folders pre-cut to 4x6 inch rectangles, get a variety of colors and patterns (2 per child)
- Markers, crayons, stickers, etc for decorating

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)



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BIBLE LESSON • SKIT

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Bob: OK Doc give it to me straight. What is it?

Doc: Well, Bob, it's not to good, but it's not to bad, you see that pain you've been feeling is because you have a rather large cyst on your heart.

Bob: (obviously shaken up.) Large, well how large?

Doc: Well, I'd say that it's about the size of a (acts like he's lining up a golf shot) a small golf ball. ("watches" his shot go sailing) speaking of that I'm running late for a game, I'll see you in about two weeks.

Bob: Two weeks! Doc, I got a tumor on my heart, what are you going to do about it?!?

Doc: Well my nurse will give you a local for the pain, that should make it stop hurting for a while, then if it hurts again come back and we'll give you another one.

Bob: So you're saying that this isn't that bad, that I can just get a shot, and it will go away.

Doc: I'm sorry, did I say that it will go away, I meant that the shot would make that pain go away for a while, the tumor will still be there.

Bob: So I don't have to worry about the tumor, just the pain?

Doc: (obviously annoyed that he is still here lines up another golf shot) no, the tumor can kill you if it stays there.

Bob: Well, can't you take it out!?!?

Doc: Of course I can take it out, but I don't think that you really want that, I mean it takes so long, and I'd have to cut into your chest, and your stay in the hospital would definitely disrupt your lifestyle. No, I'll just keep giving you locals to keep out the pain; you won't know the difference.

Bob: Won't know the difference, I have a tumor on my heart that is going to kill me and you're saying that I won't know the difference, I'll be dead!!

Doc: Don't worry, it could be years before it kills you, besides, tumors are relative, they effect people in different ways.

Bob: What do you mean different ways

Doc: Well this is just a little one. I'm Sure that no one will even know you have it. You can go to work tomorrow, and no one will ever be the wiser. As long as you come back here

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BIBLE LESSON • SKIT (CONT.)

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every so often and take something for the pain you should be able to live a normal life. But if I take it out, everyone will know. You don't want that do you.

Bob: No not really, I don't want people pitying me, or thinking I'm not healthy. You really can just keep giving me something for the pain.

Doc: Well it might grow too big to deal with, but that's rare. More than likely it will just stay right where it is.

Bob: Well thanks Doc, I'm glad you set me straight. Even if this thing is going to kill me, I sure don't want people knowing that I have it. I can deal with a little pain if everybody thinks I'm OK.

Doc: Now you're talking sense. Well, I'm late for a game. (goes out swinging)

Bob: (gathers his stuff) And to think, I almost disrupted my lifestyle just for one little tumor. (gives a half laugh and walks out)

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What do you think the tumor represents?
- What is the right treatment for Bob?
- What is the right treatment for a person lost in sin?
- Why isn't the doctor helping him?
- Do Christians ever give good advice their friends, but never tell them about Jesus?
- What is Bob most concerned about, his health or his appearance to his friends?
- Do people ever put their friend's opinion higher than their need for Jesus?
- What would you do if you were the doctor?
- What would you do if you were Bob?

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CRAFT & GAME

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• CRAFT •

OBJECTIVE: JOURNALS

Kids will make personal journals to record their own thoughts, prayer requests, memory verses and drawings

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors, hole punches, staplers

DIRECTIONS

- Stack 5 sheets of paper at a time, punch holes 2-3 inches apart along the short side
- Continue punching holes until you have 20 pieces of white paper and two pieces of file folder
- Line up holes and run metal rings through holes
- Decorate with markers, crayons or stickers

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

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- File folder pre-cut to 4x6 inch rectangles, get a variety of colors and patterns (2 per child)
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EXAMPLE



• GAME •

OBJECTIVE: COTTON BALL COURSE

Kids try to blow a cotton ball through an obstacle course.

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Cotton balls
- Small items to create two identical obstacle courses

INSTRUCTIONS

- Separate children into 2 teams.
- Set up identical obstacle courses on two tables
- Teams take turns sending players to blow their cotton ball through the course
- After successfully navigating the course players run back and tag the next three players
- First team to send their entire team wins.

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