

## Jesus in the Trunk:

Four Chairs are set up like a car; Jesus is crouching behind the second row of chairs.

Speaker talks of going on life's journey-down life's highway. Gets in, starts the car, drives along, admiring the world, saying how great it is etc.

Then something goes wrong. A flat tire. Speaker worries and then says "I know. I've got someone to help me at a time like this. Jesus, he is in the trunk. He goes and gets Jesus (who never speaks but only mimes). He obligingly goes and fixes the front wheel at the speaker's instruction. Meanwhile the speaker is telling the congregation how great it is to have someone fix your problems for you.

Jesus finishes and goes to get in back seat, but speaker stops him, saying that he has to get in the trunk because everyone would see Him and he would be embarrassed. It's great to have Jesus around for problems -but you wouldn't want to look too religious. Jesus gets in trunk obligingly.

Starts car again, etc. Then engine trouble. Gets Jesus, who fixes it, then when Jesus goes to get in trunk speaker puts him in the back-saying that he would be closer in a time of trouble and perhaps -it isn't too bad to have people see Jesus is with you.

Then driver has trouble with fork in road and asks aimlessly to self-which way to go. Meanwhile Jesus points. He is sitting in rear seat so congregation can see him. The driver tosses a coin and goes to the right. Trouble ensues (doesn't recognize area, etc) looks behind to Jesus and says which way should I have gone- Jesus points left. Driver makes comment about not seeing Jesus' instructions because he is in the back.

Drives on-another fork-asks self which way, Jesus points right. Driver says- looking left-well everyone else is going that way, I might as well go too. Gets lost/ etc, turns to Jesus who points to the right.

At this point, the driver says, well , You had better come up front-I can't see you back there and I need to have clearer instructions. Jesus moves up front.

Driver a little uneasy and says so to audience- Starts car goes on the road, trouble again. Driver asks for the way-Jesus points left. Driver says it looks too hard a road. It is too narrow, can't go anywhere and so he goes right. He has problems again.. Agrees with Jesus, turns back and then is driving along sees another fork-Jesus points right and driver says Jesus doesn't know life. He hasn't been this way before and driver knows best and takes the left fork.

Driver gets more and more worried. Suddenly, Jesus grabs the wheel, turns car to the left and screeches to a stop. Driver looks out window and says "Whew, we almost went over the cliff.

Driver says to Jesus, "You take over. I almost killed us and driver gets out to get into the trunk. Jesus stops him and motions to him to get into the

passenger's seat. Driver is amazed, says he always thought that if he let Jesus get in the driver's seat, he would put him in the trunk. Great surprise.

Jesus starts the car up, driver gets out a map etc. Says how wonderful life is now he is seeing so much more. Jesus points things out then puts his arm around the driver. Driver says how great life is with Jesus in the driver's seat.