SKITS-SO-FRANTIC

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DEDICATION

I would like to dedicate this book to the 1995-1996 drama group “In His Image:” Quentin Mack, Melissia Woitko, Daniel Burnell, Heather Fast, Destiny Vinley, Kindred Vinley, Holly Clough, Michelle McClellan, and my lovely wife, Melissa Fast. Guys, yo worked long and hard, put up with me, and were the first to bring these skits to life on the stage. I will never forget our time together and hope your memories are as fond as are mine. God bless you.

The Playwright

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SALVATION LOT

INTRODUCTION

"Salvation Lot" is a skit that takes place on car sales lot. The difference is, that it's a plan of salvation that you're buying. The skit outlines some of the different brands of Christianity that people want to live. Satan is always willing to sell us something less than Biblical Christianity, and many fall for his sales pitch. But some, like Andy in this skit, have read the manual and aren't settling for anything less than God's perfect will. A good scripture for this skit would be Matthew 7:13-14.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

(3 M, 3 F)

ANGELO LIGHT: Has a deal for everyone.
PENNY PINCHER: Wants the most for the least amount of effort.
MR. LUKEWARM: Is overbearing and obnoxious.
MRS. LUKEWARM: Is syrupy sweet, and a little snotty.
SALLY SEPARATIST: Is a Pharisee.
ANDY: A true searcher for truth.

COSTUMES and PROPS

ANGELO LIGHT: Should be dressed like a car salesman,.a cheesy one
PENNY PINCHER: Should dress casually
MR. LUKEWARM: Rich, should dress accordingly
MRS. LUKEWARM: Also dressed richly
SALLY SEPARATIST: Should dress casually
ANDY: Should dress casually, needs a Bible

PROPS: The cars can be made out of boxes

(AT RISE: ANGELO LIGHT is standing alone onstage, close to the back. PENNY PINCHER enters and acts as if she is looking at cars.)

ANGELO: Hi, there! And what can I do for you today?

PENNY: *(Startled.)* Oh, Hi! Well, I'm looking for a plan of salvation.

ANGELO: Well, my dear, you've come to the right place. I have a whole lot full of 'em. I have something for everybody. The name's Light ... Angelo Light. *(Shakes hand.)* What did you have in mind?

PENNY: I'm Penny. Penny Pincher. I want something economical. I want the most mileage out of my Christianity for the smallest amount of effort. I'm a very busy person.

ANGELO: Of course you are! Well, step right over here, young lady. *(Leads HER over to one side of the stage.)* This is the model for you. This is the Lazy Jane X. Isn't it a sporty little rig? It's just what you want. It runs on only ten minutes of prayer per week, and no Bible reading! Imagine that! And you won't feel guilty either because the radio plays all your favorite Christian pop musicians!

PENNY: That's me! That's just how I feel about it. How's the tither pressure? I really need my money. I have a very active social life.

ANGELO: Oh, there's almost no tither pressure at all. In fact, if you look at the odometer *(Points.)* you'll see that the last couple who owned this one gave only thirty-five dollars and ten cents. And they had it for two years. Some mileage, huh?

PENNY: Wow! You've just about sold me!

ANGELO: Really! Then check out this feature. *(Walks around to the back of the vehicle and points.)* Special mud-flaps for those pushy preachers who come up behind you and nose in your life.

PENNY: Oh, how cute! Little Yosemite Sam's saying, "Back off!" I'll take it. How much will it cost me?

ANGELO: Not much! But that was the point, wasn't it?

(PENNY PINCHER gets in the vehicle and drives off with a vroom. MR. and MRS. LUKEWARM enter.)

ANGELO: Good morning folks! How can I assist you?

MR. LUKEWARM: Ah, yes! Now listen, young man! We want a plan of salvation, see? But nothing too difficult to drive, understand?

MRS. LUKEWARM: Oh, Wilbur! Be civil. He seems like such a nice young man! What's your name, young man?

ANGELO: *(Looking at THEM like they're nuts.)* Light ... Angelo Light.

MRS. LUKEWARM: Angelo Light? Are you from the south?

ANGELO: Let's say I'm from down under.

MR. LUKEWARM: Australia, eh? *(Suspiciously.)* Don't have much of an accent, do ya? I'm Lukewarm ... Mr. Lukewarm to you.

MRS. LUKEWARM: Wilbur, don't be rude. Forgive Wilbur, dear. He's ever so bitter about our last vehicle. It was always demanding service! Just give us something with a nice, smooth, easy ride.

ANGELO: Well, ma'am. I have just the thing, if you'll step over here. *(Leads THEM to another part of the stage.)* Ah! Look at this ... the Laodicean 2000. This special luxury model has everything you need to live that poolside Christian life. Automatic transmission, power steering, brakes, air conditioning, and a very easy ride! And ... you'll love this ... a special radio filter that filters out nasty calls to repentance, prayer and fasting, and service of any kind!

MR. LUKEWARM: Well, what does it play?

ANGELO: Only the finest easy listening!

MRS. LUKEWARM: Oh Wilbur, it's divine! Let's take it!

MR. LUKEWARM: Maybe, but first, how well does it handle?

ANGELO: Well, my friend. It's so smooth, that most of the time *(Pauses for effect.)* you aren't even aware it's even there!

MR. LUKEWARM: Ha! This will do, Mildred. We'll take it.

MRS. LUKEWARM: Oh it will be so much better than our last one! It required so much service!

(MR. and MRS. LUKEWARM get in the vehicle and drive off. SALLY SEPARATIST enters.)

ANGELO: Now there goes a vehicle with dual airbags! *(Spies SALLY.)* Good morning, young lady. Interested in a plan of salvation?

SALLY: Hi. I'm Sally Separatist. I'm just a weak little saint who just can't handle all the sin and wrong in this world. I'm so scared that my ... almost perfect Christian life will be affected by the least little contact! *(Starts crying.)*

ANGELO: Aww! There, there now, my dear*! (Puts HIS arm around HER.)* I think I can hook you up with just what you want, and it's *(Drags HER along.)* right over here!

SALLY: *(Wiping HER eyes.)* What's *(Sniff.)* this?

ANGELO: The vehicle just for you ... the Pharisee LX.

SALLY: Really? Will it keep me from having to be around ... them?

ANGELO: Them? Oh! Oh, yes. That's what it's designed for. Look here. *(Gestures.)* It has a Christian code-a-phone so you only have to talk to your Christian friends, and a special soundproof body that keeps out all those annoying cries of the lost. The radio will always be uplifting, also. Young lady, in this vehicle you are completely covered.

SALLY: Oh! This is wonderful! I can't wait to call Barbara and discuss at length how Melanie just hasn't been living right lately ... *(Looks sheepish.)* ... and of course, how we should pray for her. Thank you, so much, sir! *(SALLY gets in the vehicle.)*

ANGELO: We aim to please! Just let me *(Runs around to back of vehicle and bends over as if attaching something.)* attach this filter to your exhaust.

SALLY: What's that do?

ANGELO: It just filters out all those accidental hints that you're a Christian that you might leave behind.

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