
ALL THINGS TO ALL PEOPLE
SCRIPT RELEASE



WATER OF LIFE

Synopsis: Karen has agreed to help out with the water stand at the faith race. Thirsty saints, tired from service, come by for a drink of Water of Life. Karen is excited to help at first, but quickly runs out of steam under the hot sun. When she loses her cool, one of the runners points out that she needs to be drinking the water, too. Of course, Karen goes too far and starts hoarding the water to herself. This allegorical drama speaks to the balance we must strike in pouring out and being poured into.

Scripture Reference(s): John 4:14, 7:37-38; Philippians 2:17; 1 Corinthians 9:24

Topic(s): Abiding, Christian Life, Dependence on God, Giving, Life, Loving Others, Ministry, Provision, Relationships, Service, Work

Characters

Karen
Brad
Runner 1
Runner 2
Runner 3
Runner 4
Runner 5

Props

table
large water cooler labeled “Water of Life”
several paper cups
chair for Karen
large pan or bucket

Costumes

Karen and Brad – comfortably dressed
Runners – running shorts, tees, trainers

Director’s Note: This allegorical drama could come off very “cheesy” if not carefully staged. Its success or failure rests on the shoulders of the actress playing Karen. If her lines are too “on the nose,” the whole thing will come off stilted and artificial. It is important to cast an actress who will bring a lot of personality to the role. This drama also presents an opportunity for creative staging. Consider using the whole room for the runner’s “track.”

Running Time: 5-6 minutes

Lights up on an outdoor scene. There is a table set with paper cups and a large water cooler. The cooler reads "Water of Life." BRAD and KAREN are having a conversation.

BRAD: First of all, Karen, let me say "thank you" for volunteering to help out with the race today.

KAREN: No problem. I'm really excited about it!

BRAD: Good! Because this is no ordinary race. Today's runners are running a faith race, and they're going to need plenty of this. *(Indicating the cooler)* Especially today. Things are really starting to heat up.

KAREN: So what do I do?

BRAD: It's fairly easy. When the runners come by, offer them a cup of water, and keep the cups filled. The race has already started, so you should get some thirsty saints coming by at any moment. Questions?

KAREN: Nope. I think I've got it.

BRAD: Great! I'll be by later to check on you.

KAREN: Okay!

BRAD exits. KAREN fans herself with her hand.

KAREN: He wasn't kidding. It is getting hot.

RUNNER 1 enters, out of breath and perspiring heavily.

KAREN: Oh! My first customer! Hi! How's the race going?

RUNNER 1: Pretty good. I've been witnessing to a friend of mine for months. Today he finally started asking questions about Jesus.

KAREN: Wow! That's great!

RUNNER 1: Yeah. Can I get some water, please?

KAREN: Oh! Of course! Sorry! I got so wrapped up in the story, I forgot why I was out here. Here you go.

RUNNER: Thanks. *(Drinks the water)* Well, here I go!

RUNNER 1 exits.