



Harvest Children's Ministry Presents "Rock The World"

"24-7 Episode 11: Commandment Number Five Honor Your Father and Mother"

07/29/07

Character List:	Sunday Morning First Service	Sunday Morning Second Service	Sunday Morning Third Service	Sunday Evening Service
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Worship Leader
 Terry
 Felix
 Terry
 Randy
 Mom
 Angel #1 & #2 (puppets)
 Angel #3
 Stevie
 Kelly

Prop List:

School Locker backdrop stage right	Yellow House stage left
Bandanas for gang kids (4)	Street sign on pole 'C Street'
School books for Randy	Street sign to change to 'Commandment #5'
Two bags of groceries	

SFX / Music List:

I Walk By Faith	Video: 24/7 World and Copy	BG: raunchy rap music (not recognizable)
Think About These Things	Video: Commandment #5	
Ditty: Write Upon My Heart	SFX: loud thunder, lightening, rain	
The Honor Roll	SFX: freeze frame sound	
His Kids		





Opening Song: I Walk By Faith

WORSHIP LEADER: Today we are talking about one of the most famous commandments... Why is it famous? Well, let's find out!

Cue Video: 24/7 World and Copy

Cue Background Music: 24/7 Show Theme Music

KELLY: Welcome to 24-7. I'm Kelly.

STEVIE: ...And I'm Stevie. And today we will talk about one of the most well known commandments - commandment number 5.

Cue Video: Commandment #5

KELLY: Kids, let's read this commandment. Repeat after me.

KIDS: After me.

KELLY: Honor your father
And your mother
That your days may be long
Upon the land
Which the Lord your God
Gives you.

STEVIE: How many of you have heard your mom or dad say, "you need to obey me!" (Kids raise hands) Most kids know that God wants them to obey their parents because when we obey our parents, we show them love and honor.

KELLY: Yeah, but Stevie, I didn't know that this commandment has a promise attached to it... Look, it says that if we honor our parents, God will give us a long life!

STEVIE: Wow, most of us didn't know that part!

KELLY: Kids, how do we show our parents that we love them?

KIDS: Obey, tell them, help them...

STEVIE: Let's watch a teenage kid named Randy. This kid has choices to make. I wonder what he'll do.

Cue Background Music: raunchy rap (nothing recognizable)

Gang of three kids all walk in from stage right to school lockers





TERRY: Okay, guys, this is Terry, your leader talkin' so listen up. This is what's happening: tonight, if you want to be in the "C Street Gang", meet at... (Stops when he sees Randy) Oh, hey, Randy.

RANDY: (Walking up from stage left) Hey, sorry I'm late, Terry. Had to get my make-up homework.

FELIX: Make up homework! What are you, a sissy boy?

RANDY: (Indignant) What? I was sick last week; and I need to catch up. I want good grades, Felix, so I can go to college.

FELIX: Yeah! College! (Snicker, snicker)

TERRY: Okay, you two, stop wasting time. Are you guys in or not?

RANDY: In on what?

TERRY: The initiation. If you want to get in the "C Street Gang," you got to prove it.

RANDY: Prove it?!? What are you talking about?

FELIX: I told you he was nothin' but a chicken mama's boy.

RANDY: (Getting tough, pushes against Felix) You take that back, Felix.

FELIX: (Pushing back) Oh, yeah... Make me... Make me...

Cue SFX: freeze sound

ANGEL #1: (Puppet pops up) It's so much more peaceful when humans are frozen in time!

ANGEL #2: Oh, dear, what kind of mess did Randy get into this time. Didn't his mother tell him to stay away from those boys?

ANGEL #1: I guess he's not listening to her. I thought he loved his mother. He said he'd never want to hurt her.

ANGEL #2: Yeah, but that was before he met the "C Street Gang."

ANGEL #1: What can we do to help?

ANGEL #2: The Lord will give us an idea! Let's go to our think cloud and... Think about it... (Exit down)

ANGEL #1: (Exiting) I think Randy's the one who needs to think about it...

ANGEL #2: Oops, I forgot to unfreeze them...





Cue SFX: unfreeze sound

RANDY: Of course I'm in! I told you... This is the only place I feel like I belong. So, whatever it is, count me in. (Looking at Felix) There, are you happy? (Looking at Terry) What time do we meet? And where?

TERRY: Meet at the city library at midnight. We're gonna check us out some books... If you know what i mean... Heh, heh, heh...

RANDY: (Not excited, worried) Ahh, sure... I'll be there... (Exits stage left)

TERRY: (Exiting stage right) Now we'll see if he's really one of us...

FELIX: I wouldn't bet my life on it... He's too much of a mama's boy. (Exiting stage right)

WORSHIP LEADER: Every time we open our 24-7 program, Kelly says, "We've got good news, you can choose to do right." Well, that's what these commandments can do, they can help you choose to do right because God tells us what's wrong and what's right. Then, we choose to obey or... not obey. Kids, do you think Randy should meet the "C Street Gang" at midnight?

KIDS: No!

WORSHIP LEADER: I hope he thinks about this!

Cue Song: Think About These Things

Mom enters from center aisle, and Randy comes out stage left, meet at foot of stage.

MOM: Son, help me carry these groceries in the house.

RANDY: Alright, Mom! Hey, you finally got food! We're completely out!

MOM: Well, I finally got my pay check. So hopefully this will last about a day or two the way you're growing! Listen, I saw you today...

RANDY: What do you mean? Were you spying on me?

MOM: No, the principal called me in and I saw you talking to that gang.

RANDY: Mom, it was nothing... We were just talking... (To Audience) Right kids?

KIDS: No!

RANDY: (Upset that they aren't on his side) I know, you don't want me to hang out with them... But mom, they're my only friends...





MOM: Don't hand me that excuse, Randy. You can't make good friends if you're hangin' out with thugs. I told you to stay away from them. And if you continue to disobey me, I'm taking you out of that school and putting you in one closer to my work.

RANDY: No, Mom... You can't do that...

MOM: Look, I talked to your principal and he said you aren't working up to your potential, you should be at the top of your class... And Mr. Lunden is also your high school church counselor. He's concerned that you're not obeying me... If you're not obeying me, then, you're not pleasing God...

RANDY: I know the fifth commandment, Mom... Honor your father and your mother... It's not fair, Mom, Dad walked out on me so I'm not honoring him...

MOM: Randy, I'm not walking out on you... I love you... I'm here for you. Talk to the Lord, son. He'll never leave you or forsake you. He loves you so much, right, kids?

KIDS: Right!

RANDY: (Rolls eyes) Yeah... (Walks stage left with groceries. Mom follows.)

MOM: (Praying softly to the Lord) Oh, Lord, please help my son to make the right choices.

Cue Song: Write Upon My Heart (Cathy ditty)

STEVIE: It's amazing how God's commandments can stick in your mind and heart. In fact, Kelly and I challenge you to memorize the commandments.

KELLY: Yeah, we'd like to have a few of you come up here and tell us the commandments by heart. So start now to memorize. Maybe your teachers can help you and make it a class project!

STEVIE: Hey, who's that in the white dress?

Angel #3 enters stage right. Walks up and places a new sign over the C Street sign. It says, commandment number five. Then Angel #3 sneaks off stage left.

All three of the gang members enter stage right with rocks in hand and walk over to the C Street sign.

KELLY: Here comes the "C Street Gang." Where's Randy?

FELIX: I told you he wouldn't show, the little mama's boy.

RANDY: (Enters from center aisle) I'm here, Felix.

TERRY: I knew you'd come. We're all you've got. So I knew you wouldn't let us down. Randy's one of us, right kids?

KIDS: No!





TERRY: You'll see!

FELIX: So, like, what do we do with the rocks? Like I don't already know! Throw them in the library windows!!! (Funky laugh) Hah-guh, hah-guh, hah-guh...

TERRY: Nobody's in there... That's no fun... We'll go down the street. (Points to stage left) To old lady Brown's house.

RANDY: Hey, she's a widow and the only thing she has is that three legged dog she saved from the pound.

TERRY: Good, then we can definitely out run him. He'll make a great target!

RANDY: Target? (Sees the street sign, stumbles when he reads it... like he's dreaming) C Street? What happened to the sign. Commandment number five?

FELIX: (Looks back at the sign) What are you talkin' about? I don't see nothin' different...

TERRY: Quit stallin', Randy, are you in or not?

RANDY: I'm in alright...

TERRY: (Smirks at the audience, like, I told you so) Yeah! (Smiles)

RANDY: I'm goin' right in to tell Mrs. Brown what you're gonna do.

TERRY: Hey, you do that and you're out of the gang; and you won't have anybody. You'll be all alone! Ain't that right, kids?

KIDS: No!

RANDY: I was never alone, Terry. I just forgot who my real friends are.

FELIX: Oh, your mommy????

RANDY: Yeah, Felix, my Mom is a great mom; And she's always been a great example of God's love. The last thing i'd want to do is hurt her by doing something she'd be ashamed of. I know what the right choice is. Don't I kids?

KIDS: Yeah!

Randy starts walking to stage left.

TERRY: Hey, man, we were just jokin'. We wouldn't hurt anybody.

RANDY: Good bye, Terry. Oh, and one more thing. I have a best friend who'll never leave me or forsake me...

FELIX: Who's that, sissy boy?

RANDY: You tell em, kids!



KIDS: Jesus!

RANDY: That's right, Jesus! If you guys want a friend like that, come find me. I can fill you in on who he is...

FELIX: Oh, yeah, like we really want to meet a sissy friend of yours...

TERRY: Be quiet, Felix. He's talking about... (Kind of whispers) God! We don't make fun of Him!

FELIX: Why not?

Cue SFX: loud thunder, lightening rumblings and rain

TERRY: (Pulling coat over head) That's why! He's bigger than we are! (Begins to move fast stage right and out door)

FELIX: (Crying like a baby) I'm scared of thunder. (Follows Terry out stage right and down side aisle and out floor stage right door)

RANDY: (Face up to the rain and to the heavens) Thanks, Lord, and thanks for the message: Commandment number five has always been one of my favorites. I think I'll go home to Mom and give her a hug - she deserves it. You're the best, God. (Exits stage right)

KELLY: I'm glad he made the right choice, aren't you, Stevie?

STEVIE: Oh, yeah! I'm glad he remembered who really cares about him!

KELLY: Let's repeat that verse kids, repeat after me.

KIDS: repeat after me:

KELLY: Honor your father
And your mother
That your days may be long
Upon the land
Which the Lord your God
Gives you

WORSHIP LEADER: Let's pray:
Father in heaven,
Help me to honor You
By honoring my mother
And my father
In Jesus' name I pray,
And everyone said, "So be it!"

Cue Closing Songs: The Honor Roll / His Kids