

Worship Illustration: Script

The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis through Joshua
Unit 9, Lesson 45

The Wilderness

Deuteronomy 1:19-40

Suggested setting: The God of Wonders puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

<u>Characters</u>: Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.). The leader helps children focus on and leads group interaction with the puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet window.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.
Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert,
Dehhhhhl-bert!" (Children repeat and
Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a
window.) "Hellohhhhhhhhhhhh Lello!"
(Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops
out of a window.)

Delbert

Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!

<u>Leader and Children</u> Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert.

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah (bleat) Hello every-bahh-dy.

Delbert

Haw. I have some exciting news. Would you all like to hear it? (Pause for audience response.)

Lello

Yeah, what is it?

Delbert

My dad says I can invite a friend to come camping with us... and I want to invite you Lello!

Lello

Really! Wow that's great, but, um...(worried) ohhh, I don't think I can go.

Delbert

What? Why not?

Lello

Um, I don't have a tent.

<u>Delbert</u>

You can use ours!

Lello

Ohhh, but I like to sleep with my special blanket every night.

Delbert

You can bring it with you!

<u>Lello</u>

I um... I... ohhh...

Leader

Lello, I think I know what's the matter.

<u>Lello</u>

You do?

<u>Leader</u>

Are you afraid?

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah. (embarrassed)

Delbert

Haw. Lello, do not be afraid.

<u>Leader</u>

Hey, Delbert. Did you know that is just what Moses said?

<u>Lello</u>

Moses? When did he say that?

Delbert

Haw. I remember. Moses said that to the twelve men who were afraid to go when God sent them to spy on a new land.

Leader

That's right. Two of those men were Joshua and Caleb. They trusted God.

<u>Lello</u>

But Joshua and Caleb won't be with me on the camping trip!

Leader

That's true, Lello, but do you remember who is always with you?

<u>Le</u>llo

Um...I don't. Boys and girls, can you help me remember? Who is always with us? (Pause for response.)

<u>Leader</u>

That's right! God is always with us. And we can trust God when we are afraid – just as Joshua and Caleb did on their trip.

Lello

We can?

Delbert

Haw! We sure can. Moses did. Joshua and Caleb did. And we can, too!

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah! Oh Delbert, thank you so much for inviting me to go camping with you!

<u>Delbert</u>

Haw! You are my best friend! Come on, I want to tell my dad you said yes!

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah. Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.

<u>Leader</u>

Bye guys. See you next time. (exit)