



Worship Illustration: Script
The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 6, Lesson 28

The Rich Fool

Luke 12:15-21

Suggested setting: The Kings & Kingdoms 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.

Characters: Ranger Ryan the Lion is the wise, fatherly forest ranger. He wears a badge and a ranger hat. He gathers everyone at the campfire to tell the lesson's parable. Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb love to sit around the campfire and listen to Ranger Ryan tell the stories Jesus told.

Props: Delbert brings trail mix to share with Ranger Ryan. Have trail mix bag (granola, nuts, dried fruit) sitting by the fire that Delbert refers to or have him pop out of the window holding it.

Leader (stands at puppet window)
Are you ready to hear a special story from Ranger Ryan? (Children respond.) **Let's call Ranger Ryan and invite him to join us. Can you all roar with me? Roooaar!** (Ranger Ryan pops up near campfire.)

Ranger Ryan
Roooaar! Ranger Ryan here. Hello, my little ones. Come on and let's gather by the campfire. Would you help me call our friend, Delbert, to join us?

Ranger Ryan, Leader & Children
Dehhhhhl-bert Dehhhhhl-bert!

Delbert (Delbert pops up.)
Hee Haw! Hi, everybody. I've brought something special with me today.

Leader
You have? What is it, Delbert?

Delbert
I brought some trail mix my dad and I made for Ranger Ryan.

Ranger Ryan
Yum! I love to eat trail mix. Thank you, Delbert. That was very generous.

Delbert
Haw... generous? What does that mean?

Ranger Ryan
Generous means you want to give and share with others. That's what today's story is about!

Leader
Can you tell us that story now, Ranger Ryan?

Ranger Ryan
I'd love to. Jesus said, "Watch out. Be careful to not want more and more things."

Delbert
What else did Jesus say?

Ranger Ryan

Jesus told a story about a rich man who had so many crops he had no place to keep them all.

Delbert

What is a crop?

Leader

Crops are plants that farmers grow for food. What did the man do?

Ranger Ryan

The man said, "This is what I'll do. I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. I will store all the grain from my crops and my other things in the new barns. I'll take life easy and not worry."

Delbert

Haw! You mean he's not going to share his food? That's not good.

Ranger Ryan

No, it's not. God said to the man, "You are foolish." God wants us to give and to share what we have.

Leader

Just like you gave by sharing your trail mix with Ranger Ryan, Delbert.

Delbert

I try to share as much as I can. In fact, I think I'll go share some trail mix with Lello. Haw! See you guys later.

Ranger Ryan

And I need to go check on the other campfires. See you arrrrround. (Pronounced with a friendly roar.)

Leader & Children

Bye, Ranger Ryan! Bye, Lello! (All exit.)