



Peter and Tabitha

Acts 9:36-42

Suggested setting: The Prophets & Promises 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: Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to learn more about Jesus and the Bible. The leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, a farmer, etc.) The leader helps children focus on the puppets and leads group interaction.

Props: Delbert arrives wrapped in a blanket.

Leader (Stands at puppet stage.)
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 window.) **"Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops head out of window.)

Delbert (Delbert is wrapped in a blanket.)
Hee Haw! Hello everybody!

Lello (bleats)

Yeah. Hello every-bahhh-dy. Look what we brought with us today!

Leader

What a beautiful blanket. Where did you get it?

Delbert

Haw! We helped Lello's grandma make it. It was so much fun.

Lello

Yeah. My grandma is the best at making blankets.

Leader

It looks so nice and warm that I want to cuddle up and listen to a story.

Delbert

Haw. I have one for you! Aunt Dora told me another great Bible story last night. It is about Peter and a lady named Tabitha.

Lello

Yeah. Tabitha. I think that is a pretty name. Please tell us, Delbert.

Delbert

Well, the Bible says Tabitha was always doing good and helping poor people, but one day she got sick and died.

Lello

Oh, how sad.

Leader

Keep listening, Lello.

Delbert

People came to Peter asking him to come at once to Tabitha's room, so he did.

Leader

Her friends showed Peter all the robes and clothes she had made for the poor.

Lello

What did Peter do?

Delbert

He sent everyone out of the room and prayed. He looked at Tabitha and said "Get up." She opened her eyes and sat up.

Lello

Wow! God healed her! Now she could help more poor people.

Leader

Yes! And when others heard she was alive, many believed in the Lord.

Lello

Oh! I want to be like Tabitha and help others.

Delbert

Me, too! Me, too!

Lello

I have an idea. We can give this blanket to someone who really needs it to keep warm.

Leader

What a wonderful idea, Lello.

Lello

Delbert, let's go see if we can help my grandma make more blankets! Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

Delbert

Haw! See you guys later! (braying)

Leader

We'll see you soon.

(All exit.)