

Worship Illustration: Script The Adventures of Delbert and Lello **Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts through Revelation** Unit 5, Lesson 23

A Letter About **Helping Others**

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. In Units 5 and 6, Posty the Parrot pops up from a mailbox or nest.

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. Units 5 and 6 introduce a new puppet, Posty the Parrot. He wears a lanyard to carry letters from Delbert's Uncle Donny to the mailbox (or nest).

Sound Effects (SFX): Bird chirps and/or flapping wings for Posty's entrance

Props: Printed letter folded and attached to Posty's lanyard:

Dear Delbert and Lello,

I have a letter from the Bible I'd like to share with you.

Love,

Uncle Donny

Dear brothers and sisters,

Let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Love.

Paul

Leader (stands at puppet stage)

It's time to call for Lello. Repeat after me, "Hellohhhhhhhhhhh Lello!"

(Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops up.)

Lello (bleats)

Yeah. Hello every-bahhh-dy.

Leader

What are you up to today, Lello?

Lello

Delbert asked me to come and meet Posty when he brings the mail today. (SFX: Bird chirps or flapping wings)

Leader

It sounds like Posty is here! (Posty the Parrot pops up at his nest or mailbox with the letter.)

Posty

You've got mail!
I deliver without fail!

Lello

Posty! Do you have a letter for Delbert and me today?

Posty

Uncle Donny sent this your way. Let's see what he has to say!

<u>Lello</u>

I can't wait to hear what Uncle Donny's letter says. (to leader) Can you read this for me?

<u>Leader</u> (takes letter from lanyard) It says,

Dear Delbert and Lello,

I have a letter from the Bible I'd like to share with you.

Love,

Uncle Donny

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah. I love to learn from the Bible. Can I read this part?

Leader

Of course. (Leader holds lanyard so Lello can read)

Lello (reads carefully)

Dear brothers and sisters, Let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

Love,

Paul

Leader

Great reading, Lello!

Lello

Who is in the family of believers?

Leader

Everyone who believes in Jesus is in the family of believers.

Posty

You and me and everybody. We're all part of God's family!

Lello

So, you, and me, and Delbert, and Uncle Donny, and the boys and girls...we are all in the same family?

Leader

That's right, Lello! And Paul's letter gives us all a message from God.

Posty

This letter from Paul Says, "Do good to all!" So long and goodbye! It's time to fly!

Lello

Bye, Posty. Thanks for the letter. Oh! I need to go take it to Delbert. Together we can think of a way to do good to others. Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

Leader

Bye, Lello. Bye, Posty.

(All exit.)