

Worship Illustration: Script

The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts through Revelation
Unit 6, Lesson 30

A Letter About Jesus' Return

Revelation 22:12

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,

The church we are building here is almost finished, so I'll be coming back soon. Did you know that Jesus is coming soon too? Jesus told John to write down what He said about that. Love.

Uncle Donny

John

Dear Family of God, Jesus said, "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done." Love,

Lello (bleats)

Yeah. Hello every-bahhh-dy. I can't wait for Posty to get here. (SFX: Bird chirps or flapping wings)

<u>Leader</u> It sounds like Posty is here!

Posty (Posty the Parrot pops up at his nest or mailbox with the letter.)

You've got mail!
I deliver without fail!

Lello

Yeah! Hi, Posty! A letter from Uncle Donny. Can I read it, please?

Leader

Of course. (holds letter for Lello)

Dear Delbert and Lello,
The church we are building here is
almost finished, so I'll be coming back
soon. Did you know that Jesus is
coming soon too? Jesus told John to
write down what He said about that.
Love, Uncle Donny

Lello

Yeah... I'm glad Uncle Donny will be coming home soon! I'd like to hear the part about Jesus coming back? Will you read the letter from the Bible?

<u>Leader</u>

Of course. It says,

Dear Family of God,

Jesus said, "Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done."

Love, John

Lello

How exciting! I can't wait to see Jesus. When is He coming back?

Leader

No one knows when it will be. But, the Bible says we will all see Him coming on the clouds of heaven.

Posty

One day we will see the Lord Coming soon with our reward!

Lello

Did you say, "reward"?

Leader

Yes, Jesus sees when we obey Him. He has a reward to give each one of us!

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah... I love rewards! My teacher gave me a beautiful sticker as a reward for obeying.

Leader

And when Jesus comes, He will give everyone an even greater reward!

<u>Lello</u>

Yeah! I can't wait! I'm gonna go tell Delbert. He'll be so excited to hear Jesus is coming soon!

Posty

So long and goodbye! It's time to fly!

Lello

Bye Posty. Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

Leader

Bye, Lello. Bye, Posty.

(All exit.)