" Rag Man "

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Suggested Song: I have always used "He holds the keys" I do not know though who sings that song. Tradition states that you should use the song "Agnus Dei" by either Third Day or Michael W. Smith.

<u>CHARACTERS</u>:

M/F Ragman

M/F Lame man

M/F Blind man

M Jesus Christ

THE DRAMA

The skit begins with each of the cast members with their backs to the audience.

As soon as the music begins the Ragman turns around and walks around the stage for about 20 seconds crying into a handkerchief that he is holding.

When the 20 seconds is over the Ragman freezes on his knees, and the lame man turns around and limps around the stage for about 20 seconds.

When the 20 seconds is over the Lame man freezes across from the Ragman.

The Blind man turns around and feels around the stage with his cane for another 20 seconds. When the 20 seconds is over the blind man freezes directly in front of the area set aside for the cross. Now each of the three people should now be in a row with about 4 or 5 feet between each one.

Jesus Christ turns around and walks up to each of the 3 people and looks upon them with compassion but does NOT heal them.

After looking at each of them he steps between the Ragman and the Lame person and kneels in prayer for about 5 seconds. He then gets up and steps over to the Ragman and takes the handkerchief from him, the Ragman should realize that he is healed and hugs Jesus and runs back to his starting position.

After he hugs the Ragman Jesus walks over to the Lame man but while he is walking Jesus should now cry into the handkerchief he took from the Ragman. When Jesus reaches the Lame man he then touches the knee that was injured, after he is touched the Lame man should hug Jesus and then run back to where he started.

Now Jesus limps over to the Blind man. When he gets to the blind man Jesus touches two fingers on the side of the Blind man's head up near the forehead. The Blind man then realizes that he is healed hugs Jesus and runs back to where he began.

Jesus is crying into the handkerchief and limping but he stumbles backwards to the area set aside for the cross and nails himself to the cross and hangs there for about 10 or 15seconds depending on how much time is left.

When Jesus wishes to be taken off the cross he drops the handkerchief as a signal to the Ragman, the Blind person and the lame person to take him off the cross and lay him on the ground. The Ragman, the Blind man and Lame man form a tomb around Jesus for the remainder of the song except for ten seconds.

When there is ten seconds left in the song Jesus then raises back to life and knocks over the Ragman, the Lame man and the Blind man Jesus then raises his arms out in front of him as an invitation to the audience to follow and obey him. The song should now be over and everyone should get up and exit the stage.