

THE CROWD

A puppet script from Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian Church. "Trial and Crucifixion: Praising Puppets." 2002.

MARCUS: "Look at this birthday card, Grandpa sent me! And there's money in it-- \$10!!! I can't believe it. Grandpa has never sent me money before!"

MOM: VOICE OFFSTAGE—DOES NOT REQUIRE A PUPPET ONSTAGE.
"Marcus, It's time to go to school now."

MARCUS: "Ok, Mom, I'm going to take this money Grandpa sent me to show to my friends. It's a brand new \$10 bill! They won't believe it."

MARCUS MOVES TO ANOTHER PART OF THE STAGE AND SEES RYAN.

RYAN: "Hey, how's it going?"

MARCUS: "Great, I got a brand-new \$10 bill from my grandpa! See?"

RYAN: "Cool, but that looks just like the \$10 I lost yesterday. I think you took it out of my lunch box."

MARCUS: "Ryan, I wouldn't take your money. Besides, one \$10 bill looks just like the next one."

RYAN: "Well, it doesn't matter. That's my \$10 bill and I want it back."

MARCUS: "Come on, Ryan. I'm sure you left your money in your pocket or something. Have your mom check the wash."

RYAN: CALLING OUT TO CROWD "Hey, listen everybody—Marcus stole my money."

CROWD: "Marcus—give it back."

RYAN: "Yeah—that's my money!"

CROWD: ** "It's Ryan's money. It's Ryan's money."

TEACHER: "What happened here?"

RYAN: "Marcus stole my money!"

CROWD: ** "Give it back! Give it back!"

TEACHER: "Did anyone see Marcus take Ryan's money?"

CROWD: ** "Make him pay. Make him pay."

RYAN: "I had \$10 in my lunch box and now it's gone. See?"

CROWD: ** "Stealer. Stealer. Stealer"

TEACHER: "Marcus, even though I didn't see you take the money, the other kids sure are convincing. It sounds like you're the guilty one. I don't like to punish you—but give Ryan his \$10 now."

** CROWD NEEDS TO SAY THESE LINES IN SING-SONGY OR CHANT-LIKE TONE OF VOICE.