

SKIT: Who gets to talk?

Characters:

Chicken, Cow, Donkey, Pig, and Sheep – all with paper masks to identify who they are – All but the donkey make only their animal sounds

Angel – in white?

Balaam – in Bible costume – he has a leash for the donkey

Mask making links:

<http://www.pinterest.com/emilyduryea/paper-plate-animals/>

<http://www.dltk-kids.com/animals/mplate-chicken.htm>

http://www.firstpalette.com/Craft_themes/Animals/paperplateanimals/paperplateanimals.html

Animals come in from everywhere, making their sounds to stand in a line on stage. They noisily chat among themselves, wondering why they are here. Angels enters.

Angel – Good, you are all here. I called you to this meeting because God has a plan.

Animals respond with a questioning mode

Angel – Quiet down, I need to listen..... OK, so God is going to have one of you talk like a human.

Animals respond like young children that want to be picked for a treat

Angel – Please quiet down, I'm trying to listen!.... OK, so God says you'll pick straws and the one with the long straw will be the one to talk like a human.

Angel holds out straws and each animal picks, but doesn't look yet. When they all have their straws they look and the donkey breaks out in animated song. Tune is to "Standin' in the need of prayer". The other animals make their noises, either in or out of key, in beat where there is an X.

http://www.hymnary.org/text/not_my_brother_nor_my_sister_but_its_me

Not the chicken or the cow but it's me, oh Lord
Gonna get the chance to talk X X
Not the pig or the sheep but it's me, oh Lord
Gonna get the chance to talk X X

It's me, X X It's me oh Lord X
Gonna get the chance to talk X X
It's me, X X It's me oh Lord X
Gonna get the chance to talk X X

Angel – SSHHHH! SSHHH! Someone's coming!

All animals resume doing their own quiet sounds.

Balaam walks up with a leash and puts it on the donkey and leads the donkey away as animals (and the donkey) say/wave goodbye with their own animal sounds.

After the goodbyes....

Angel – OK, Quiet! I need to listen! (talking to God) What? A sword? Really? Okay, I gotta go. God has another job for me to do.

Animals say goodbye to the angel and then make their sounds as they leave the stage.

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