

**(AUCTIONEER & 2 CHRISTIANS UP)**

**AUCTIONEER:** Good evening everyone and welcome to the Wheeler Church of Christ Auction rooms. We are here today to cast our eyes over a number of lots that will be auctioned in a few hours' time. This is your chance for a quick preview before the bidding begins in earnest.

The items up for auction today are items that people think are worthy of worship. One of the rules of this auction is that you may only bid for one item, so you need to decide over the next few minutes which item you believe is worthy of your worship, because as the old saying goes, "The knee will only bow in one direction" unless of course any of you are double-jointed!!

So if I have all of your attention let's begin. Lot number one is **SPORTS:**

**(SPORTS GOES UP)**

**JAZ:** Can't beat this!!

**ETTA:** Let's go!

**JAZ:** There's always a loser, sorry!!

**AUCTIONEER:** This is a very popular item for worship as there is so much variety.....football, tennis, snooker, squash, rugby, hockey, rowing, baseball....

**(SPORTS DOWN)**

Sports is exciting, it is fulfilling, it takes your mind off your problems.

**ETTA:** Hey! What about cheerleading?

**(W-O-R T-H-Y WORTHY WORTHY WORTHY!!)**

**(THROW POMS)**

**AUCTIONEER:** Sports is accessible....it can be watched twenty four hours a day on television. There are personalities to follow, pin-ups for your bedroom to gaze upon adoringly, clothes to wear with your favorite team printed on. Sports can give you that adrenaline rush that nothing else can.

I suggest you get your bid in quick as this will be one of the most popular items for worship in our auction today.

**Moving on to lot number two which is MONEY AND POSSESSIONS!**

**(MONEY AND POSSESSIONS UP)**

**ETTA:** (throw your money) I love my diamonds!!! If only you could have some too, huh?!

**AUCTIONEER:** Another very popular item for worship is money....and oh what a lot you can do with money.....spend it on all those things that you want and want and want. Fill your house with lots and lots of possessions and the wonderful thing about this lot is that you will never get tired of it.....in fact like drinking salty water, you will always thirst for more and more and more. This lot is really worthy of your worship folks as there is a huge feel-good factor that goes with it. Get in quick with your bid today.

**Lot number three this evening is BEAUTY!**

**(BEAUTY UP)**

**JAZ:** Look at these lashes!! I just got them done, EKKK! Tomorrow I have an appointment for my nails and hair. I'm going PINK...hehehe!

**AUCTIONEER:** This lot may appeal more to the ladies. Ladies you know!! Make sure that you get your bid in quick. Hours must be spent doing up nails, hair, faces, buying the latest names in clothing....because beauty really is on the outside....skin deep.

**Lot number four is SUCCESS!**

**(SUCCESS UP)**

**ETTA:** Hello. What? Yes!! I said 2 million will go in the contract, not 2 thousand....

**JAZ:** Ok, so there's a meeting at 5. Do I need to bring all the files?

**AUCTIONEER:** Men, this lot may appeal more to you.....success in your job is what you really want isn't it? You want everyone to think well of you...to believe that you're the best thing since sliced bread....indispensable. This lot will involve considerable hard work and will probably mean that you will see precious little of your friends and family....but so what?!!

This lot is what life is all about isn't it?

Second to last we have Lot number five and it's a rather **TEMPTING** one.....it is **FALSE TEACHERS!**

**(FALSE TEACHERS UP)**

**JAZ:** Come to my church!!! You could win 2 TV'S!!!!

**AUCTIONEER:** This is an especially **TRICKY** lot for Christians to bid for....there are false teachers that promise all the fun and exciting things!! You have to be careful of the ones who promise you things that sound too good to be true, like perfect health and all the wealth! In 2 Timothy 4:3 it says, "For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear." Yikes!

And so we come to our last lot.....lot number six....oh I hadn't expected this one. Lot number six is the bible and all that's in it.

**(BIBLES UP)**

**Let's have a look and see if this item is worthy to be worshipped.**

**ASSISTANTS: (bring Christians up SING)**

**King of kings and Lord of lords, glory! Hallelujah!**

**AUCTIONEER: So the Bible says, God is the Lord of Lords, the King of Kings, our Father, the Light of the world, the Bread of life, our Shepherd, our Creator and our Provider. He is good, loving, trustworthy, faithful, truthful, kind, holy, generous and just. He is powerful and merciful.**

**JAZ: (SWING GOLBE)**

**ASSISTANTS: (SING)**

**He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands. He's got the whole world in His hands!)**

**AUCTIONEER: God gives us life, hope, joy and peace. He supplies all of our needs and gives strength to the weak. He helps us when tempted, comforts us when sad and heals our diseases. He forgives us our sins and sets the captives free. His yoke is easy and his burden is light. His love never changes and His grace is sufficient He is life itself.**

**JAZ: (SPOTLIGHT ON)**

**ETTA: Thy word is the lamp unto my feet, and the light unto my path.**

**In Revelations 5:12 it says, ...”Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!” So not only are you bidding on God you would also receive the Lamb. Who is the Lamb? Well the bible says that, every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea and all that is in them know that the Lamb is, Jesus. Gods son. The one who laid his life down for all of mankind. He has paid for your sins with His life. He is the only reason we can join this lot in Heaven one day.**

**Well there you have it folks – a preview of six lots that people think are worthy of worship. I wonder which one of these items you will bid for today. You can enjoy them all but remember, you can bid for only one item to worship – because the knee will only bow in one direction.**

**(ALL PUPPETS UP)**

**Auctioneer: So, let’s begin this auction!**

**Do I have any bids on Sports? Got a 5, can I get a 10. 10! Any more bids for the lot Sports?**

**Sold! We got 10!**

STANFORD: (2 MINUTES LATER SIGN)

AUCTIONEER: Well folks....that was the fastest auction I've ever witnessed!!! We have one final lot up for grabs. This lot is the Bible. So, can I get any bids?

JAZ: 5!

ETTA: 15!

AUCTIONEER: I have 15. Can I get a 20?

ETTA: YEP!

JAZ: 40!!

ETTA: I have 100!

JAZ: I'll double that for 200!

AUCTIONEER: Wow! OK! Sounds like y'all don't need me help! How much is this lot worth to ya?

ALL PUPPETS: **PRICELESS!!!**

(ALL PUPPETS DOWN)