

Script – The Lord is my Banner

Opening Scene: The whole cast, with the exception of the enemy and the narrator, come slowly on stage, lead by Moses. They move across the stage, and then sit down in half circle on stage left.

Narrator: [comes to stage right] The people of Israel came out of Egypt and camped in the desert. An enemy came and began to hurt them.

Enemy: [appear briefly from stage right, looking angry and throwing a few stones, then retreat back offstage]

Moses: [stands up with his staff] Joshua! We need your help.

Joshua: [stands up] What do you want me to do Moses?

Moses: Pick some of our people and go fight the enemy tomorrow. I will go stand on that hill with the staff of God in my hands.

Joshua: [begins going through the people picking out the army]

Scene change: Moses, Aaron and Hur go to the top of hill and remain standing while Joshua and his army gather their weapons.

Moses: [holds up his hands with the staff]

[The actors in the battle scene must watch Moses' hands. When his hands are raised, Joshua wins and pushes the enemy back offstage. When Moses lowers his hands, the enemy wins and pushes Joshua's army offstage.]

Joshua's army: [move toward the enemy]

Enemy army: [moves toward Joshua's army]

Narrator: As long as Moses held up his hands, Joshua and the Israelites were winning. [pause] But after a while, Moses' hands became tired.

Aaron: Moses, sit down on this rock.

Hur; Aaron and I will stand beside you and hold up your arms.

Moses: [sits or kneels down] Hurry, my arms are so tired!

Aaron and Hur: [stand beside Moses and hold up his hands]

Joshua's army: [pushes the enemy back for the last time]

Scene change: both armies go offstage, pause, then just Joshua and his army return are excited, happy and victorious. They look up to Moses on the hill.

Moses: [stands up and lowers his hands] Let's make an altar here. The Lord is our banner. He won the battle.

The End.