



hell house (halloween)

Attraction

A redemptive twist on the “horror house” idea, this house tells a frightening story but ends with eternal redemption.

Bridge

The issues of life, death, heaven, hell, judgment, and mercy make people think about eternity. This theme plays off the macabre atmosphere of Halloween, but not in an offensive manner. The drama is entertaining but thought-provoking, raising a question of where someone will spend eternity.

Communicating the Gospel

The options to the question are displayed in the drama—heaven or hell? The solution to the question is given in the last scene, with a clear gospel presentation that includes an invitation by response card or by talking to a counselor.

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Event-Specific Preparation

- Scene possibilities are endless, and there are ample helps for how to produce this, especially from Judgment House, whom you can contact via www.judgmenthouse.org.
- The drama is a room-to-room (possibly including outside scenes) presentation of a story in four to six stages, culminating with a crisis and salvation.
- Move people through the scenes in relatively small groups (10 to 20, depending on facility size)
- Attendees have seen the “crisis moment” and seen someone in the drama respond to a clear gospel invitation. In the follow-up room, which is the final stop for all participants, the hook of the presentation is used as a bridge to a brief, clear gospel invitation.
- Hint: many potential scenes include accident or police-related drama. Partner with local fire/police officials to use their vehicles, in addition to possibly needing their assistance in security.
- Be real without being grotesque—reality and good drama is important. Pray and consider carefully the fine line between realistic and offensive/disturbing.
- This is a great outreach to teenagers in particular. Many of the actors can be teenagers. You need full buy-in from the youth ministry.
- Advertise aggressively. This event can be a big draw. Depending on space limitations and actual physical arrangements, you might want to give away or sell tickets in advance, but leave allowance for walk-ins.

Enlist, equip, and mobilize the following ministry teams. Refer to the Ministry Team Preparation section of the manual for instructions on how the teams will function.

- Counseling/Follow-up Team
- Spiritual Preparation Team
- Promotion Team
- Effective Prayerwalking
- Creative/Worship Team
- Logistics Team
- Budget Preparation

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