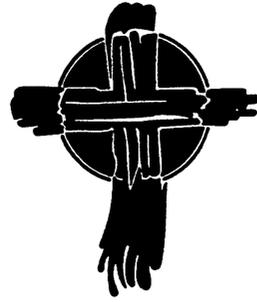


Examination of Conscience



Actors (4 teens):

- The Teenager
- Narrator
- "Good" voice
- "Bad" voice

Script:

Narrator: You see before you an average Catholic young person, wading through the waters of life. One day flows into the next with only holidays dividing the sea. Life is boring, until the little voices within begin to talk and argue. And that takes you into the...twilight zone.

Play Twilight Zone music.

The narrator will stand off to the side. The teenager will sit in the middle as if he is sitting at the lunch table at school. The voices will stand on opposite sides of the teen. Perform skit as if in reader's theater.

Teen: Wow. I've got that test next period. I didn't study.

Good: That's not good. Now you'll only get a "C".

Bad: What's wrong with a "C". It's not failing.

Good: Hey, God gave him the gift of intelligence. Sure he can just get by with a "C", but that's like burying the treasure. With just a little hard work, he could get an "A".

The "Good" voice puts a piece of trash on the teen. Every time he does something wrong, a piece of trash is added to the teen, the bad guy says, "Yes!" or claps.

Teen: Hi, Mary. Sorry I couldn't study with you last night. I had to help my mom with chores.

Good: That's a lie. You went with your friends to the lake and hung-out. *(Add trash)*

Bad: Big deal. What difference does it make which friends you hang-out with?

Good: It makes a big difference. Those guys drink brewskies like it's no big deal.

Teen: Hey, I don't drink with them.

Good: Hey, but you go driving with them afterwards. They're no friends of yours. They don't build up the body of Christ by building you up. They tear it down everytime they tear you down.

Bad: Well, at least your dumb mother thought you were with Mary studying.

Good: You lied to your mother! Shakes head in disbelief. *(Add trash)*

Bad: You were doing her a favor so she wouldn't worry about you. That was nice of you.

Good: That was deceiving her. *(Add more trash)*

Teen: Hi Jack. I like that outfit you have on.

Bad: That's the dumbest looking outfit you've ever seen.

Good: Why did you lie? You just told him that to make a conversation with him. You don't even like Jack. You used him to get to his sister. *(Add trash)*

Bad: Hey, scamming on cute (chicks/guys) is the favorite American pastime.

Teen: *(Stand up)* Mr. Ward, can I be excused from school? I don't feel well.

Good: You feel fine. You just don't want to go to practice after school. *(Add trash)*

Bad: What does it matter, you're Varsity. You'll play whether you go to practice or not. That Smith kid is your only sub and he stinks, so coach will put you in no matter what.

Good: Yeah, but Smith goes to all the practices and tries his best always. You're cheating him out of a chance to play by not being honest with your coach. *(Add trash)*