

The fabulous sweets

Fruit of the Spirit: goodness

Puppet Characters:

Kanga Joe (kangaroo puppet or soft toy)

Wally Wombat (Wombat puppet or soft toy)

Charlie

Charity

Snake (sock puppet)

Owl (Owl puppet or soft toy)

Props:

mock eggs

tinkling bells

key of Life

lolly sack

book

lolly wrappers

fruit

cut-out of a cave (held up on a stick)

Scene 1

The Australian bush

Kanga

Hi everyone.

Wally

Hi everyone.

Kanga

You're such a faithful friend, Wally. I can always depend on you.

Come on. Let's show everyone our routine. (applause)

Now let's try the egg balancing act again...

O no, Wally. You've dropped the eggs and smashed them!

Wally:

Sorry Kanga. I didn't mean to.

Kanga Joe

It's alright, Wally. I'm not going to lose my temper because I've just been to the King's Garden and picked some special fruit. Have a look at this!

G-O-O-D-N-E-S-S (holds up fruit)

And do you know what I learned from the King's garden? Goodness is just doing the right thing. That's what the Good King wants. He wants us to be good just as He is. Why don't we go and find Charlie and Charity and we'll all go to the King's Garden together!

Wally

Good idea!

Animals exit**Charlie and Charity enter with Kanga and Wally****Kanga**

Hey Charlie and Charity! Do you think you could take us to the King's garden?

Charlie

Do you remember what to do to get there?

Kanga

Yes! Take the key of Life, and 1,2,3, Put on love! Come on. Let's go!

Gets key of Life

(magical sound – tinkling bells)

All exit

Scene 2

Outside the King's Garden, at the gates

Enter Charlie, Charity and Kanga
Snake enters from opposite side

Charlie

Well, here we are at the gates. But look! There's someone new. I haven't seen him before.

Charity

It looks like a snake. Excuse me sir. Are you a snake?

Snake

y..e..ssssss. I sssupposse I am. I'm here to tell you that you don't need to go to this garden. There's a much better garden. You can do whatever you like there. Look in my fabulouss ssurprise ssac. I'll show you some of the goodies that are there. Put your hand in and sssee what you can find. Take whatever you want.

Kanga

OK. I love surprises. I'd love to put my paw in that sack.. Let's see...I'll feel around a bit. Ah...here's something interesting...It's a bag of lollies, with a sign on it...

"Eat these sweets, so nice and yummy,

All you can to fill your tummy.

No need to be good and follow the rule

Eating sweets is really cool."

Charity

Don't listen to him, Kanga Joe. Don't you remember what the King taught us about self-control? Eating a whole bag of lollies at once is just too much.

Kanga

But I love lollies.

Snake

Well, come with me, and I will give you lollies for FREE!

Kanga

You three go to the King's Garden. I'm going to get the lollies.

Charity

But Kanga! You can't go with the snake!

Kanga exists with snake

Oh no! He's gone!

Charlie

We'll have to rescue him. Have you two got any ideas?

Charity

We could go into the Garden and ask the wise old owl what to do.

Charlie

That's a great idea. Come on. Let's go!

All exit

Scene 3

Inside the King's Garden

Charity

Look. There's Mr. Owl over there.

Charlie

Mr. Owl, we've got this problem. Our best friend, Kanga Jo, has been tempted by the wicked snake to go with him, all because of a bag of lollies!

Owl

Who..who-oo. Take this guide book with you and it will show you what to do.

Charlie and Charity

Thanks Mr. Owl.

Charlie

Look! It says, "The King's Guide Book, the Bible. Let's see if we can find something in it to help Kanga Joe.

Charity

Ah, here we are... "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, kindness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22"

Goodness...That means doing the right thing...Following the snake is not good at all.

Charlie

And self-control...eating all those lollies is not having self-control. That's what Kanga Joe needs. He needs the fruit of goodness and self-control. Let's go and pick the fruits of goodness and self-control and take them to Kanga Joe! There's the tree over there.

Charity

Now we've got the fruits, we've got to find Kanga Joe.

Scene 4
Outside King's Garden, near the cave

Snake lies asleep in front of the cave

Charlie

Look! Here's a trail of lolly wrappers dropped by Kanga Joe. Let's follow it. Along here, past the trees, and over there I can see a cave. And there's a sign that says "Snake's Hollow. Free lollies."

Charity

I'm not going in there.

Charlie

Maybe we can call Kanga Joe and he might hear us.

Charlie and Charity

Kanga, Kanga, we've got something for you....fruits from the King's Garden.

Kanga (muffled voice)

Is that you Charlie and Charity and Wally? OOOOh....help me! I've got a tummy ache... and a toothache. I should have gone with you in the first place. Thank you for coming to save me from the wicked snake. You're such good friends.

Charlie

What about the snake?

Kanga

He's asleep. If I'm really quiet I can creep past him without waking him up.

Charlie

I hope he's quiet.

Charity

Look! Here he is. Well done, Kanga. You made it! Here's the fruit from the King's Garden.

Kanga (voice no longer muffled)

Mmm. That's the most delicious fruit I've ever tasted....even better than the lollies. And do you know what? My toothache is getting better, and so is my tummy ache!

Charlie

Come on. Let's get out of here before the snake finds us.

Snake

Hey! Come back!

Charlie

Oh no! He's seen us. Let's get out of here.

Scene 5

The Australian bush

Kanga (panting)

I sure have learned a lot about goodness and self-control today.

Charity

Yes, but you did learn the hard way. It's much better to obey the King in the first place and follow the advice in His book.

Kanga

You're right Charity. If I had gone straight through the gate to the King's Garden, and not followed the snake, I wouldn't have been in so much trouble.

Charity

And when we follow the King's son, Jesus, we belong to Him. He helps us to have goodness in our lives, as we become more like Him.

Kanga

Yes, I know.

Goodness is... obeying the advice of the Good King and doing the right thing.

Charlie

Well done Kanga!

All exit

