

Scene 4: On the Road to Emmaus Luke 24:13-35 **April 28**
Two disciples meet Jesus on the road to Emmaus. They don't recognize him until Jesus breaks bread as they sit down to dinner.

Scene 5: Thomas Believes John 20:19-29 **May 5**
Before he'll believe that Jesus has been raised, Thomas wants what the other disciples already had: evidence!

Scene 6: Breakfast with Jesus John 21:1-14 **May 12**
The disciples return to fishing. Jesus appears and serves breakfast on the beach. Peter is redeemed for his previous denials of Jesus.

ACT V – THE EARLY CHURCH

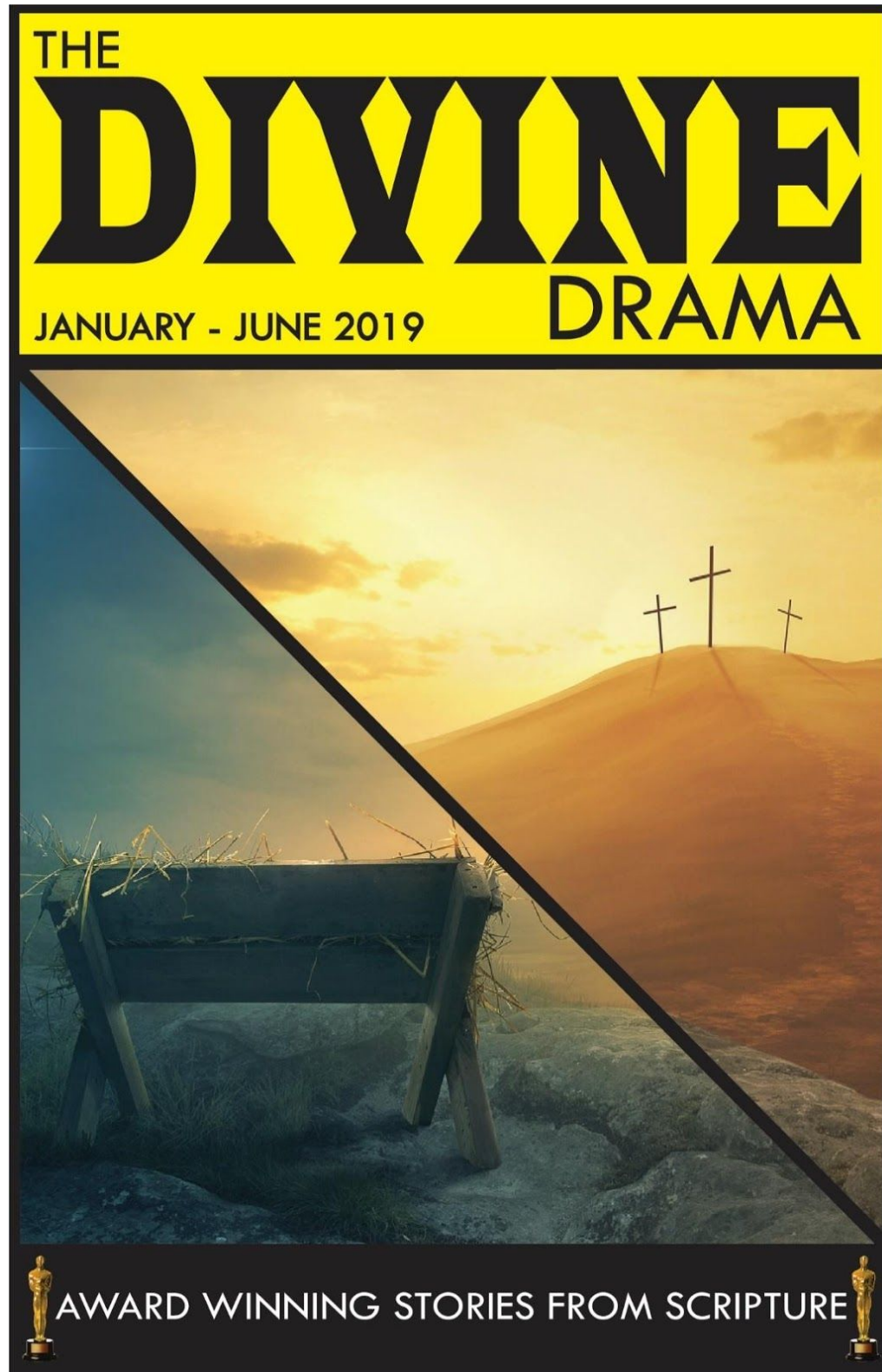
Scene 1: Great Commission Matthew 28:16-20 **May 19**
Jesus sends the disciples out to baptize and make disciples of all nations. Not everyone is on board.

Scene 2: Jesus Ascends Luke 24:36-53 **May 26**
As if the resurrection wasn't hard enough to fathom, Jesus ascends in bodily form into heaven (don't ask us to explain that).

Scene 3: Saul becomes Paul Acts 9:1-20 **June 2**
The resurrected Jesus picks Saul, a persecutor of Christians, to change his ways and spread the gospel.

Scene 4: Pentecost Acts 2:1-21, 36-42 **June 9**
The Holy Spirit arrives with wind and fire as Jews from around the world gather for the festival of Pentecost. What better way for the gospel to go global?

Scene 5: Snack-time for Peter Acts 10: 9-16 **June 16**
Peter has a vision of a picnic blanket filled with non-kosher food with a command to take and eat. Peter does.



THE
DIVINE
DRAMA

JANUARY - JUNE 2019

AWARD WINNING STORIES FROM SCRIPTURE

ACT 1 – THE EARLY YEARS

Scene 1: The Boy Wonder Luke 2:41-50 **January 6**
Twelve-year-old Jesus ditches his family to school the Temple's teachers. His parents freak out.

Scene 2: Baptism by John Mark 1:1-11 **January 13**
John reluctantly baptizes his cousin, Jesus, in the Jordan, launching Jesus' ministry.

Scene 3: Wrestling Satan Matthew 4:1-11 **January 20**
After spending forty days in the desert, Satan tempts Jesus..

ACT II – REVEALING THE KIN(G)DOM OF GOD

Scene 1: Through the Roof Luke 5:17-26 **January 27**
Four friends lower their disabled comrade through the roof to bypass the crowd and score a miracle.

Scene 2: He Walks on Water Matthew 14:22-33 **February 3**
Jesus defies physics and the laws of nature by taking a lake-top stroll.

Scene 3: Jesus and the Children Mark 10:13-16 **February 10**
Jesus upbraids his disciples for blocking children from approaching him.

Scene 4: Dinner with Zacchaeus Luke 19:1-10 **February 17**
A shifty and despised tax collector promises to change his ways and invites Jesus over for dinner.

Scene 5: Jesus feeds the 5,000 John 6:1-15 **February 24**
Jesus demonstrates the power of faithful generosity. The people miss the point and try to crown him as king for his food-multiplying powers.

Scene 6: Ten Outcasts Luke 17:11-19 **March 3**
Jesus heals ten people with leprosy. Only one offers thanks.

INTERMISSION

Ash Wednesday 7:00 p.m. **March 6**
A special service focused on repenting racism and committing to walk anew with Jesus.

ACT III – PARABLES

Scene 1: The Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37 **March 10**
An offensive story about the wrong person doing the right thing while the right people do the wrong thing.

Scene 2: The Prodigal Son Luke 15:11-32 **March 17**
A shocking tale of a wild child and a forgiving dad.

Scene 3: The Sower Matthew 13:3-9, 18-23 **March 24**
A foolish farmer spread seeds with no attention to soil quality.

Scene 4: The Mustard Seed Mark 4:30-32 **March 31**
Big things come from small packages, much like the kin(g)dom of God.

Scene 5: The House on the Rock Matthew 7:34-27 **April 7**
Jesus cleans house (literally), overturning the tables of the moneychangers and driving out those making a buck on the backs of the faithful.

ACT IV – THE PASSION AND RESURRECTION

Scene 1: Palm Sunday Luke 19:28-40 **April 14**
Shouts of praise for Jesus morph into calls for his crucifixion.

Scene 2: Maundy Thursday 6:30 p.m. (dinner and service) **April 18**
"Maundy" comes from "mandatum" meaning commandment. At the last supper, Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment to love one another. Do we? Do you?

Scene 3: Jesus is Risen! Matthew 28: 1-10 **April 21**
The ending (or new beginning?) no one expected. Jesus is raised! Death is overturned! Love wins!