

# The Eternal Perspective Image Conductor

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## CHARACTERS

Dave- An angry guy

Bob- A commercial spokesman

Coco- Bob's lovely assistant

[AUTHOR'S NOTE: This skit was written specifically for a Christian audience and is intended to remind believers of the price paid for their sins as well as the joy that comes from living in Christ. It is NOT intended to be used with a seeker audience or in an evangelistic setting!!! Evangelism should be focused on the love and grace of Christ, not fear of Hell. Again I say, do not use this skit as an evangelism tool. In fact, if you use it with a seeker audience, I will hunt you down. Okay, I won't, but I hope you feel really, really bad about it.]

*Dave enters, walks to center.*

DAVE: I don't know about you, but I am tired of not getting what I deserve! I am tired of getting less than my money's worth. I am tired of being put on hold and getting lost in an endless chain of voice mails! I'm tired of waiting, and tired of getting treated like a number! I'm not asking for much! I only want to get what I deserve!

*Dave exits. Bob enters.*

Tired of getting the run around? Tired of getting less for your money? Tired of not getting what you think you deserve? In this modern age of high speed Internet, high speed transportation, and microwaves, we're all tired of waiting, getting passed around, and generally being treated like crap. If you'd like to get what you deserve, then come on down and see us. Who are we? We're EPIC Labs, creators of the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor. What is the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor? It's only the most revolutionary invention in the history of mankind! Here's how it works.

*Dave enters.*

BOB: Sir? I understand you're tired of not getting what you deserve.

DAVE: You're darn right I am!

BOB: Tired of getting ripped off?

DAVE: Yeah!

BOB: Cheated? Lied to? Used?

DAVE: Oh yeah!

BOB: I hear you. And EPIC Labs is here to help.

DAVE: Good! It's about time someone did!

*Coco enters in a lab coat. She carries a large helmet with a visor tethered to a cable that runs all the way off stage.*

BOB: Now we have never met before, have we?

DAVE: Just backstage.

BOB: And neither you nor your family have any affiliation with EPIC Labs.

DAVE: None.

BOB: So this is a totally unbiased demonstration of the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor.

DAVE: The what?

BOB: I'm sorry, I'll use layman's terms. The thingy my assistant Coco has in her hands.

DAVE: Wow, that's cool.

BOB: Sir, I'm going to ask you to step over beside Coco and place that on your head.

DAVE: Uhh... okay.

*Dave steps over beside Coco. Coco puts the helmet on his head.*

DAVE: So what is this, some sort of virtual reality device?

BOB: Not virtual, actual! Using the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor, we're going to show you exactly what you deserve.

DAVE: Maybe you should be showing this to my credit card company.

BOB: Hahaha, yeah. Are we all set?

*Coco gives a thumbs up.*

BOB: Ready, sir?

DAVE: Hit me!

BOB: Here we go.

*There's a "ding" sound effect. Immediately, Dave begins screaming in holy, ungodly terror.*

DAVE: Get it off! Get it off me!

*Coco removes the helmet. She and Bob retain their smiles, even as Dave is suddenly in complete and total terror.*

BOB: Well, sir, how was it?

DAVE: What was that?

BOB: That's what you deserve!

DAVE: That's not what I deserve!

BOB: Oh, but it is. You see sir, thanks to the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor, you just had a half second glimpse of Hell.

DAVE: Hell? That was Hell?

BOB: That's right. Thanks to a rift in the space/time continuum, scientists here at EPIC Labs were able to create the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor, allowing ordinary mortals like us to get a glimpse of the unholy, ungodly afterlife that would be our eternal destination if it were not for the grace of God and the blood of the cross.

DAVE: I can't believe what I just saw!

BOB: Shocking, isn't it? Up until now, your only concept of Hell was the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. But that's a carnival next to the real deal, isn't it?

DAVE: Why would you do this to someone?

BOB: Why? Because a little perspective goes a long way to helping a person realize that maybe they don't really want what they deserve. In fact, they may find that things aren't so bad as they are, even if you are being put on hold, ripped off, or otherwise mistreated.

DAVE: My eyes are still burning!

BOB: Hahaha, give him some eye drops, Coco.

*Coco gives Dave a bottle of eye drops.*

BOB: Folks, the Eternal Perspective Image Conductor is not for everyone. In fact, if you're not a baptized believer, we won't allow you to use it. Because that's just not the way the Lord would want you to learn the gospel. That said, if you are a believer who feels the world is not giving you what you deserve, come on down to EPIC Labs.