Day 4

- [Dave enters and begins reading his Bible. Then Gloria and Team 2 enter.]
- Brad: Attention everyone, we have space royalty coming through. Check out the greatest astronaut who's ever lived!
- Jerry: Don't you mean the *three* greatest astronauts? You never could have found the super-fuel without my expertise.
- Carly: Now, now, no need to fight. I'm sure there will be more than enough riches and glory to go around for the three of us for this discovery.
- Brad: True enough. [Looking to Gloria and Dave] It's okay Dave and Gloria, you tried your best. It's not your fault you're not as good as us.
- Gloria: I bet we would have found it if you guys had helped us out of the rocks instead of leaving us behind.
- Carly: That's not our problem. A better astronaut wouldn't have gotten trapped in the first place.
- Jerry: Dave, you're awfully quiet. Earlier this week you were singing about your God when you found that gold, but look at you now. Not singing His praises anymore.

Dave: Worship is about more than just singing. I praise the Lord not only in song, but by the way I live my life. Right now, I'm worshipping by spending time with Him in His Word.

Carly: Well I know one thing, that Bible of yours didn't help you find the super-fuel.

Gloria: Leave him alone.

Jerry: Fine, we're too cool to hang out with failures like you anyway. Come on guys, let's go to the snack bar.

[Team 2 exits.]

Gloria: Ignore them, they got lucky. We'll get them on the next mission. Speaking of which, we need to get to the command center. Commander Snowball is expecting us.

Dave: You go ahead, I'll catch up. [Gloria exits. He continues to read his Bible.] "Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you." [He flips the page] "In lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of other." [Praying] Lord, help me to love all my crew mates, even the ones who are difficult to love. Amen.

[Captain enters.]

Captain: Dave, we need you in the command center. Commander Snowball is calling.

[Captain and Dave exit. Captain and astronauts all enter. Snowball appears.]

Snowball: Congratulations, Team 2, on your discovery of the super-fuel. You have done an extraordinary work for humanity. [Team 2 high-fives.] Now that we've found the fuel, we will send a team to collect more of it from the planet. As for you all, your mission is complete. Begin your journey back to earth.

Gloria: We're done? But we just got here. And...

Snowball: Team 2 completed the task of finding the fuel much faster than we expected. Your ship is too small to carry much of the fuel back home, so we will send a bigger ship in a few weeks. Thank you all for your hard work. Captain!

Captain: Yes ma'am?

Snowball: Prepare the shuttle for the return journey. I will see you all back on earth.

[Snowball disappears.]

Captain: Alright, crew. You heard the commander's orders. Get ready for takeoff. I'm headed to the cockpit. [He exits.]

Carly: Did you hear that? They're sending us home early because we did such a good job!

Brad: I bet there will be a parade when we get back celebrating all our accomplishments.

Jerry: Think of all the famous people that will want to hang out with us. And all the parties we'll be invited to!

Gloria: Do you guys ever stop talking about money, fame, or popularity? Just a moment's peace would be nice.

Carly: You're just jealous that... [Everyone shakes/staggers/falls over. Alarm goes off.] What was that?

Brad: Looks like we've hit an asteroid field.

[Captain runs in.]

Captain: Cadets, our engine was struck by an asteroid. Team 2, I need you to go outside and check the damage and see if you can repair it. Now go grab your helmets. I'll try to drive the ship safely so that you aren't hit by any asteroids.

Gloria: What can Dave and I do to help, Captain?

Captain: I appreciate the willingness, but this is a three-person job. There's not much room to stand around the engine.

Jerry: He only wants skilled astronauts on the job.

Carly: You guys would probably make things worse.

Brad: We don't need you. Stay on the ship and let us professionals handle it. Let's go.

[Team 2 exits.]

Captain: That's not what I meant at all. But Dave, your prayers would certainly be appreciated. Now I have to go.

[Captain exits. Dave starts praying.]

Gloria: You aren't seriously praying for them, are you?

Dave: Of course I am. The Bible tells us to pray even for those we don't get along with.

Gloria: I wouldn't. They weren't kind to us, why should I care what happens to them?

[Dave and Gloria stagger again.]

Dave: This asteroid field is pretty intense. I hope they're able to fix the ship and come back safely.

[Captain runs in.]

Captain: Cadet Brad was hit by a small rock, and it cracked his helmet. He's going to run out of air if someone doesn't seal it quickly.

Dave: I'll help him.

Captain: Great, you can use this to seal the crack. I need to hurry back to the cockpit.

[He exits. Dave and Gloria grab their helmets.]

Gloria: I can't believe we're going to help Brad.

Dave: I only said I would go. You can stay on the ship if you want.

Gloria: If they can't repair the ship then I'll be stuck out here too. I might as well go.

Dave: Alright, let's hurry. He doesn't have much time.

[Dave and Gloria exit. Team 2 enters. Carly is covering the crack on Brad's helmet with her hand. Team 1 enters.]

Jerry: About time you showed up. Brad's over there. Hurry!

[Dave kneels behind Brad. As he picks up the box of sealant, it flies out of his hand.]

Dave: Oh no, the seal!

Carly: What are we going to do?

Dave: [Pauses for a moment] Take off his helmet.

Jerry: What?

Dave: Take off his helmet. I'll give him mine.

Gloria: Are you crazy? Then you won't be able to breathe!

Dave: If you all can quickly pull me back onto the ship, I might be able to make it.

Gloria: It's too risky! All this will accomplish is putting you in danger instead of Brad.

Dave: The Bible tells me to esteem others better than myself. I want to help him.

Gloria: But he wouldn't do the same thing for you! Remember yesterday when they all left us stranded at the rocks?

Dave: The Bible also says to love your enemies. I have to do this. It's what the Lord would want me to do. I'm doing it out of worship for him. Now Jerry, pull off his helmet. The rest of you get ready to pull us back inside.

Jerry: Alright.

[Jerry removes Brad's helmet, and Dave removes his own helmet and places it on Jerry. Everyone helps Brad and Dave offstage.]