

## ***Treasure Chest Keys***

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*This skit may be adapted/adjusted to the group using it. Participants should be prepared to share appropriate Bible verses – maybe a verse that means something special to them.*

*2 or 3 women enter the scene with big key chains jangling, each carrying a treasure chest or box with a job description on it.*

P1: Whew, these are heavy! What possessed those ladies to give them to us?

P2: Yeah, what do we know about doing these things. I'm brand new and you've never volunteered for anything before.

P3: Well, I didn't exactly volunteer this time either. It was kind of a dump and run.

P1: Yeah. Those LWML ladies sure weren't taking 'no' for an answer. Not this time anyway. I tried to tell them 5 times that I just didn't have time, but they weren't listening.

P3: I guess they have been serving as officers for a long time. . . But surely there was someone else who would want to serve.

*All three think and think, but sadly realize they're it.*

P2: (sigh) I guess this is as good an introduction to the LWML as any. Let's see if we have the keys to get into these boxes.

*They put the boxes on a table with the descriptions facing the audience. P1 has Vice president, P2 has Secretary, P3 has Treasurer.*

*P1 starts rattling her keys, looking for one that will fit the box.*

P1: I don't even know why I'm looking at my keys. I know I don't have the right one. Vice President, humph. That takes lots of time, I'm sure. I don't have the time key. *Jangle, jangle.* I have the clean house key, but that won't fit; the good cook key, but that won't fit either. This one may . . . *looks closely in the light. The other ladies squint up at it as well.* The \_\_\_\_\_ (such as motivation, power of persuasion, organization, etc.) key?!? That's it? That's all I need to be vice president? Well, I sure can do that.

*P1 opens her box to find a message from her predecessor. She reads or recites an appropriate Bible verse about blessings. She smiles happily.*

P2: I guess it's my turn. Let's see what kind of key will fit the secretary box? I don't have the time key either. *Flipping through* The computer key looks the right size . . . *tries it in the lock* Nope, not quite. *Flip, flip, the stops and squints at the key in her hand.* I'll try the takes good

notes key. It's the right size. And I certainly take good notes at our meetings. The old secretary used to call me when she had a question while she was doing minutes. But surely that's not . . . well. *The key turns and the box opens.*

*P2 reads or recites an appropriate Bible verse about blessings. She smiles happily.*

*P3 starts to look anxious about her box after seeing P1 and P2's happy responses. All eyes turn to her as she contemplates her box.*

P3: Well. Treasurer. That's with money, right? *Starts to slowly flip through her color coded keys.* Money is a huge responsibility. Someone else's, I mean.

*P1 points to a key;*

*P3 replies,* Those are my work keys. The red ones are my house keys; the green ones are my car keys. *Flip, flip.* I know the bank we use; it's right next door to my \_\_\_\_\_ (*insert profession that requires attention to detail*) office. *She holds up a key.* This one is close; "prompt". *Tries it, doesn't work, goes back to flipping through keys.* I guess you'd have to be prompt to be a treasurer; sending in all those mites. *Holds another key up.* "Integrity"? *Tries it, no.* Close. *Flip, flip.* *Holds up a huge key.* Attention to detail? That's certainly one of my strengths. Everyone says so. Maybe a little too much attention to detail. *P1 and P2 just look at her and smile. She tries the key and the box opens.*

*P3 reads or recites an appropriate Bible verse about blessings. She too smiles happily.*

P2: Wow. I guess we did have the keys after all.

*Several women wearing lots of purple enter.*

P4: Of course you had the keys. We wouldn't have given you the jobs if we didn't know you could do them.

P5: Now, you won't do them perfectly, but then again, neither did we. We did learn that when we had a problem, help was just an email

P4: Or a "knee mail"

P5: Away. *Nods* Yeah, God's will always finds a way. Let's ask Him to guide you now along your new paths.

