



# Crossring Drama

## FROM HEAVEN WITH LOVE

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*A drama about the role of the Holy Spirit as explained in John 16, asking, "what if the Holy Spirit needed a Visa?"*

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*(The Visa Officer sits behind a desk in an office behind a pile of papers)*

*[Knock on Door]*

**Visa Officer:** Come in.

**THS:** I have an appointment for 10:40?

**Visa Officer:** Right, can I just have the first letter of your surname to confirm you're in the right room?

**THS:** 'S'.

**Visa Officer:** Excellent, do take a seat. Now, what is it you're here for?

**THS:** I was hoping to get a Visa.

**Visa Officer:** Well you've come to the right place. Just make yourself comfortable and I'll talk you through the process.

**THS:** Thank you *[sits down]*

**Visa Officer:** OK, well this is the first step to obtaining a Visa. I will interview you and fill in this form *[produces paper]*. This is a VS1 form; once completed it will be sent next door where it will be photocopied along with your photographic ID. Then we will return your ID to you, and once you have completed a VS2 form, which will accompany your VS1, you'll post it along with the VS3, VS4 and VS5 forms to our head office in Barnstable. In Barnstable we will check out the references that you gave us on your RF2 and RG6 forms. Assuming they all check out we will issue you with a PO99 form which you will have 30 days to complete and return to our Swedish Office. Upon receipt of your PO99 form you will be issued with a TK76, which will entitle you to book a preliminary hearing at our interim holding office, where you will be able to obtain a UH7 form which you will have to send off to Leighton Buzzard for fermentation.

**THS:** Did you just say...

**Visa Officer:** *[ignores THS]* After fermentation, subject to approval you will be placed on our RFG780 list which will enable you to book a secondary hearing, where a judge will hear your case for a Visa and

consider your evidence alongside the POU98, GYV09 and/or TGB76 forms. If he is satisfied with your request he will support your application to the next stage, which is where it gets a little bit complicated... maybe best wait to get there before I tell you about it! Are you following all this?

**THS:** More or less.

**Visa Officer:** Good. Now, can I please have your surname?

**THS:** Spirit.

**Visa Officer:** And your first name please?

**THS:** Holy.

**Visa Officer:** And your title?

**THS:** The.

**Visa Officer:** Good. Now, where is it that you would like to go?

**THS:** The World, please.

**Visa Officer:** Oh yes, the World is good, some nice places, but a lot of sin.

**THS:** Tell me about it, my friend Jesus went there and said that the world is falling apart from all the sin.

**Visa Officer:** Oh yes, it is. Terrible, terrible. Best go and enjoy it now, as I hear rumblings that it ain't gonna be there too much longer! Now, what is it that you plan on doing there?

**THS:** Well, like I said, my friend Jesus went there...

**Visa Officer:** Shall I use him as a reference?

**THS:** Uh, yes please.

**Visa Officer:** OK, and what is his relationship to you?

**THS:** He is me, and I am he.

**Visa Officer:** I see... um... so basically you want to write your own reference? Look, I don't know what kind of game you're playing, but Visas are a very serious business.

**THS:** No you don't understand, he is me and I am he, but we are still two distinct, separate entities.

**Visa Officer:** Hmm... well even so you won't be able to put him down as a reference.

**THS:** Well can we just come back to the references bit once we've got the rest of the form sorted?

**Visa Officer:** [*suspiciously*] OK [*pause*] So do you have a job lined up down there?

**THS:** Well yeah!

**Visa Officer:** Excellent, what is it?

**THS:** I will convict the world of guilt.

**Visa Officer:** Hmm... do you know what the job title will be?

**THS:** Well officially the title is "Councillor".

**Visa Officer:** Right, I'll put you down as a 'caring professional'.

**THS:** Uh... it's not really...

**Visa Officer:** [*ignoring THS*] And this application relates to a specific vacancy?

**THS:** Yes, like I was saying before, my friend Jesus is coming back up here and I'm taking over from him.

**Visa Officer:** Ah that's good. So what is the name of the company that you are doing this with?

**THS:** Well, I am part of the Godhead.

**Visa Officer:** Godhead, hmmm... I don't think I've heard of it. Is it a big organisation?

**THS:** Well there's three of us - myself, Jesus and then God the Father.

**Visa Officer:** And what is the leadership structure?

**THS:** We're all kind of the same, actually.

**Visa Officer:** Let me put it this way - what's the best way to describe your relationship with the other two members?

**THS:** Perfect.

**Visa Officer:** OK [*pause*] So this is a public listed company?

**THS:** No.

**Visa Officer:** What are your annual profit margins?

**THS:** Well we don't really look to make a profit.

**Visa:** Ah! So you're a charity?

**THS:** Not really, we're...

**Visa Officer:** What's your annual turnover?

**THS:** We don't really have one.

**Visa Officer:** I'll put charity down.

**THS:** Uh...

**Visa Officer:** [*ignoring THS*] So what did you say the specifics of your job were?

- THS:** Convicting the world of guilt.
- Visa Officer:** Oh yes, of course. But what form will this 'convicting the world of guilt' take?
- THS:** Well I will make my dwelling in the hearts of believers...
- Visa Officer:** Excellent! So you have accommodation already!
- THS:** Kind of.
- Visa Officer:** Good, good. So it will be mainly working from home, then?
- THS:** Well technically heaven is my home.
- Visa Officer:** Well yes obviously, but I mean working from your home in the world?
- THS:** Kind of.
- Visa Officer:** Oh, this is an important point: can you prove that it has to be you who fulfils this role? There is not already someone down there who can do it? I mean, there are quite a few people down there trying to convict the world of sin. Looking at my list here, there are 12 disciples, and a guy called Paul set to start in a few years' time. Quite a long list of people going to be taking on that role, as far as I can see.
- THS:** Well my role is similar, but not quite the same.
- Visa Officer:** Is it a job share?
- THS:** No, my role is more distinct, but there is an overlap. Those people will be proclaiming the gospel, but I will be working in the hearts of the hearers. I'll also be giving the proclaimers the words to say, as well as encouraging and counselling them. Equipping them. Giving them supernatural abilities, revealing truth to them, and generally liaising between them and God in heaven.
- Visa Officer:** So it's more of a management position?
- THS:** Uh... kind of.
- Visa Officer:** OK, so have you been to the World before?
- THS:** Well I used to go down quite a lot. There were quite a few prophets and kings that I went down to visit. David, Moses, Abraham, all the crowd. But Jesus has been down there for 30 years now, and he's just done a deal so I can live with all of God's followers.
- Visa Officer:** OK that's great, I shall get this form sent off. Applications usually take about 44 days to come through.
- THS:** Thank you very much for all your help.

*[Exeunt]*



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