

SOUL QUEST: THE ULTIMATE ADVENTURE

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Props/costumes: Backpacks, maps, adventure hats, and optional silly costumes for the oak tree and the water (*Tree and water characters should be played as a funny cameo by an officer or youth leader*).

(Chris, Taylor, and Alex burst onto the stage wearing backpacks, full of energy and excitement.)

CHRIS

(Striking a heroic pose)

Welcome, fellow adventurers, to Soul Quest! A treasure hunt full of riddles awaits us. Are you ready to embark on the most epic journey of your lives?

TAYLOR

(Checks smartphone for reception)

Wait, are we sure this quest doesn't have a Wi-Fi password? My phone's already bored.

ALEX

(smiling)

No screens! We're unplugging to plug into something way deeper.

CHRIS

(Grinning)

Exactly! We've got a map filled with riddles that will help us love God with all our soul by uncovering clues that reveal our true selves. Let the adventure begin!

(takes out map and starts to read it)

TAYLOR

(Rolling eyes playfully)

A treasure hunt for the soul? There better be pizza where X marks the spot!

CHRIS

(Laughs)

Maybe! We'll just have to find out. Now for our first riddle:

(Reads from map.)

"I have deep roots but cannot be seen. I'm the foundation beneath the green."

ALEX

Hmm... Sounds like the deep roots of my Corps Officer's never-ending patience when I annoy them on road trips. Or maybe a plant of some kind?

TAYLOR

A tree!

CHRIS

(High-fiving TAYLOR)

Bingo! Let's dash to that giant oak tree. Last one there is a rotten egg!

(They race energetically to the "oak tree" area, using exaggerated movements and playful competitiveness. Maybe slow-motion run?)

(As they reach the oak tree, someone dressed as an oak tree, maybe the DYS waves at them.)

OAK TREE

(Waving branches)

Welcome, adventurers!

CHRIS

(Surprised)

Whoa! A talking tree!

TAYLOR

(Amused)

This quest just got way more interesting.

ALEX
(Laughing)
Do you have something for us, Mr. Tree?

OAK TREE
(Nods and hands over a note)
Indeed I do. Just for you, another clue!

TAYLOR
A note!

ALEX
(Excitedly)
Read it, Taylor!

TAYLOR
(Unfolds the note dramatically)
“Just as the soil nourishes the tree, what nourishes your soul?”

CHRIS
(Clapping hands)
Deep stuff! So, what feeds our souls?

TAYLOR:
(Grinning)
Easy—pizza.

CHRIS
(Laughs)
Tempting, but think deeper!

ALEX
Our passions! The things we love doing.

CHRIS
(Nodding)
Exactly! So, what's something that feeds your soul?

TAYLOR
(Tapping imaginary drums)
I love playing the drums. Nothing beats a good beat!

ALEX
(Warmly)
For me, it's helping others—volunteering and making a difference.

CHRIS
And I love storytelling. Bringing characters to life and inspiring others.

TAYLOR
So, our next task is to do something that nourishes our souls?

CHRIS
(Thumbs up)
You got it! But first, next clue:
(reads from map)
“I reflect but have no voice. Wave to me, and see your choice.”

ALEX
(Pondering)
A mirror!

Maybe my last selfie?

TAYLOR

Oh I know! Water!

ALEX

To the pond it is!

CHRIS

(They sprint to the “pond” area, using exaggerated motions. Maybe slow motion running.)

(At the pond, someone (another officer?) dressed as “water” ripples in front of them.)

Greetings, land walkers.

WATER

(Swaying gently, using there finger over their lips to make an underwater sound effect.)

Look, the water is alive!

ALEX

(Pointing dramatically)

I knew I shouldn't have skipped breakfast.

TAYLOR

(Playfully)

Do you have a clue for us?

CHRIS

(Laughs)

WATER

*(Nods and hands over a note.using there
finger over their lips to make an
underwater sound effect.)*

Indeed I do. Just for you, another clue!

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TAYLOR

(Reads with flair)

“Gaze into the water and share one thing you see in yourself that you can offer to God.”

CHRIS

I'll go first!

(looks into water)

I see creativity. I can use it to inspire others.

ALEX

(Sincerely)

I see compassion. I can continue to help those in need.

TAYLOR

(Peers dramatically into the “water”)

I see... a ridiculously good-looking individual.

CHRIS

(Playfully rolls eyes)

Taylor...

TAYLOR

(Grinning)

Just kidding! I see humor. I can use it to bring joy to others.

ALEX

(Clapping)

Great insights, team!

CHRIS

Last clue: “I rise but do not climb. I leave but always return. Look up to find me.”

TAYLOR

(Pointing upwards)

The sun!

ALEX

Or the stars!

CHRIS

It’s daytime, so the sun it is!

(They all look “up” with exaggerated stretching and shielding their eyes.)

CHRIS

According to the map, our final task is here. It says: “Take a moment to feel the warmth and share how you’ll shine your light for others.”

TAYLOR

These clues are seriously soul-searching, huh?

ALEX

(Nodding)

That’s the mission.

CHRIS

I’ll shine by sharing my stories with the youth group and inspiring creativity.

ALEX

I'll organize a community service day to help those in need.

TAYLOR

I'll host a comedy night—laughter is the best medicine, after all.

CHRIS

See? Loving God with all our soul means using our inner gifts to make a difference.

TAYLOR

(Smiling)

You know, this quest wasn't half bad.

ALEX

Agreed. It was a nice to get outside for once.

CHRIS

Now, let's head back and share our discoveries with everyone!

TAYLOR

But first-pizza! Race you to the snack table!

ALEX, CHRIS

You're on!

*(They sprint offstage maybe slow motion
running, laughing)*