THE SMILE THAT NEVER FADED (Expanded Dialogue Version)

A 7-Minute Sunday School Skit

Characters - Narrator, Sherry, Friend (Raiju), Wife (Swapna), Child

Scene 1: A Joyful Beginning (1 min)

[Stage: Warm light. Friendly, lively tone. Sherry and Friend laughing casually.]

Narrator (gentle): Some lives shine brightly… not because they are easy… but because they choose joy.

Friend (teasing): Sherry! You never take life seriously!

Sherry (laughing): I do… I just don't let life take *me* too seriously.

Friend: On the hockey field you were different! No smiles… only goals!

Sherry (grinning): Ah… that's because winning also glorifies God!

Friend (laughing): You were rough sometimes!

Sherry: Only when the goal was near!

Narrator: He was loud with laughter… but deep within… something greater was waiting.

Scene 2: The Turning Point (1.5 min)

[Lights soften. Slightly reverent atmosphere.]

Narrator: Then one day… a quiet call reached his heart.

Friend (calling out): Sherry! Come… the retreat is over. Let's go home.

Sherry (looking still, calm): You go…

Friend (confused): What do you mean?

Sherry (slow, deep): I want to stay… I want to understand this peace…

Friend: Peace? Here? What's so special?

Sherry: It's not this place… It's Him.

[Pause — Sherry looks upward]

Friend (later, reflective tone): When he came back… he wasn't the same.

Narrator: He had met Jesus… and that changed everything.

Sherry (quietly): Before… I lived for myself… Now… I want to live for Him.

Scene 3: A Life of Service (2 min)

[Lighting brighter. Activity tone.]

Friend: Sherry… why do you spend so much time decorating the church?

Sherry (working gently with imaginary materials): Because when people walk in… I want them to feel God… even before they pray.

Friend (curious): But it's just decoration…

Sherry (turns, smiles): No… it's prayer… made visible.

Narrator: He touched hearts… through beauty.

Friend (emotional shift): That day… when I called you…

[Act urgency]

Friend: I was broken… I didn't know what to do…

Sherry (simple): You called… so I came.

Friend: You didn't ask questions, you didn't hesitate…

Sherry: Love doesn't wait for explanations.

Friend (soft): You drove all the way… just for me.

Sherry: That's what friendship is.

Narrator: His love was not in words… it was in action.

Scene 4: The Test of Faith (2 min)

[Lighting dim. Heavy atmosphere. Slow pacing.]

Friend (struggling to speak): Sherry… I need to tell you something…

Sherry (calm, attentive): Tell me.

Friend (breaking): It's… serious…

[Pause — silence]

Friend (softly): You have cancer… brain cancer.

[Long silence — count 3 seconds]

Sherry (very calm, gentle): Hmm…

Friend (disturbed): Say something… please…

Sherry (soft smile): You are travelling tomorrow, right?

Friend (confused): Yes… but why…?

Sherry (raising hand slightly): Let me pray for you.

Friend (shaken): Sherry… this is about you…

Sherry: God already knows about me… Let me think about you.

Narrator: He received suffering… without fear.

Friend (whispers): How can you be so peaceful?

Sherry (looking upward): Because my life… is not in my hands… it is in His.

Scene 5: The Final Days (1 min)

[Soft fading light. Slow movements.]

Swapna (holding his hand): You are in pain… I can see it…

Sherry (weak but smiling): Pain passes… but love remains.

Swapna (tears controlled): I don't want to lose you…

Sherry: You are not losing me… you are giving me back to God.

Child (innocent): Appachan… will you go away?

Sherry (gently touching child): I will go… but I will never leave you.

Narrator: His body weakened… but his faith stood firm.

Scene 6: (2 min)

[Silence. Sherry slowly becomes still.]

Narrator (soft): And one day… he went home to God.

Friend (whispers): He is gone…

Swapna (steady faith): No… his story is not over.

Child (innocently): Appachan is sleeping…

Narrator (strong): Can a life full of love… ever end?

[Soft light returns — Sherry steps forward slowly]

Sherry (calm, radiant): The pain ended… but my love continues.

Friend (realizing): Your smile… it is still with us…

Swapna: In every memory… in every act of love…

Child: In my heart…

Narrator: Some lives don't fade… they transform.

FINAL MESSAGE (1 min)

Sherry (facing audience): You don't need perfection… Just trust God. Love people. Serve quietly…

Friend: Even when life hurts?

Sherry: Especially when it hurts.

Swapna: Faith turns suffering into grace.

Child: And love never ends.

FINAL LINE (ALL STEP FORWARD)

ALL (clear, strong): "The smile of faith never fades."

Closing Prayer ALL: "Jesus, give us the faith to trust You in everything. Amen."