

THIS IS SATAN

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A Boggled Mind

**FADE IN:**

**INT. CHURCH OF CHRIST - CLASSROOM (1977) - DAY**

An enormous portrait of Jesus Christ hangs on the front center wall.

A small group of CHILDREN around the age of 5 sit Indian-style on a rug in the middle of the floor. The boys wear dress shirts and neck ties. The girls wear skirts and blouses.

CARRIE, mid 30s, curly hair and glasses, stands in front of the children, holding a large box. She wears a long, plain dress. Nothing fancy.

CARRIE

I have a surprise that I think you  
all will enjoy.

The children's eyes light up, anxious to see what's inside the box.

CARRIE

The Church of Christ has generously  
provided us with a new game for our  
classroom. Several, in fact. One  
for each of us to play.

Carrie sets the box down. She reaches inside and pulls out the board game Boggle, holding it up for the children to see.

CARRIE

Each set comes with a sand timer  
and sixteen cubic dice with letters  
on them. To play, you set the timer  
and try to spell a word before the  
sand runs out. The goal is to try  
and spell the longest word  
possible. Is everybody ready?

The children nod with excitement.

Carrie passes the games out one by one as the children quickly rip them open.

CARRIE

Ok. On the count of three, set your  
timers. One... Two... Three.

The children set their timers in unison and scramble through their cubic dices.

Carrie smiles as she watches them --

Just as an unseen force YANKS the children away by their hair one by one!

Carrie's eyes grow big with fear.

The children scream and trash wildly about, failing to break free from the unseen force as they are carelessly tossed against the walls.

Carrie panics as she helplessly watches the poor children.

Then...

The cubic dice gather piece by piece to the center of the floor. They mix around, trying to spell something out.

The children sob hysterically, scared to death.

Carrie stays focused on the moving dice.

Finally...

The cubic dice spell out the sentence: "THIS IS SATAN JESUS CHRIST ABANDONED YOU ALL".

Carrie cries out in horror when she reads the ghastly sentence.

CARRIE

Children, come with! Hurry!

Carrie bolts toward the door, the children right behind her. She grabs the handle and swings it open --

But the unseen force SLAMS it back shut, locking it from the other side!

The children scream. Carrie breaks down.

CARRIE

Leave us alone!

The unseen force RIPS the portrait off the wall and SMASHES it against Carrie's head!

Carrie falls helplessly to the floor. The children scream and panic.

One of the children tries picking the portrait up --

But it CATCHES ON FIRE!

The children scream and frantically run around as the fire quickly spreads, engulfing the entire classroom in flames!

**FADE TO BLACK.**

The children's screams grow faint.

**SUPER: 40 YEARS LATER**

**FADE IN:**

**INT. CHURCH OF CHRIST - DAYCARE ROOM - DAY**

The old Sunday School classroom remodeled into a daycare room. More vibrant and modern.

YOUNG CHILDREN around the age of 5 run around the room, laughing and playing with each other.

ASHLEY, 20s, girl-next-door looks with fashionable clothes, sits at the desk in the front of the room, watching the children run.

ASHLEY

Be careful. Not so fast.

She smiles briefly at the children, then turns her attention to her laptop.

A YOUNG BOY, sitting alone at a table in the corner of the room, colors a picture of a cross.

A book FALLS from the bookcase onto the floor, capturing the Young Boy's attention.

The Young Boy slowly gets up and gently places the book back on the shelf. He looks down at all the board games on the very bottom --

Twister. Candy Land. HedBanz. Nothing he hasn't already played before.

The Young Boy starts to go back to his table, but stops and glances back at the games... What's in *that* one?

The Young Boy grabs the old, unlabeled, beat-up box from the shelf. He carefully opens it up and slowly pulls the contents out...

A sand timer and cubic dice with letters on them.

**FADE OUT.**