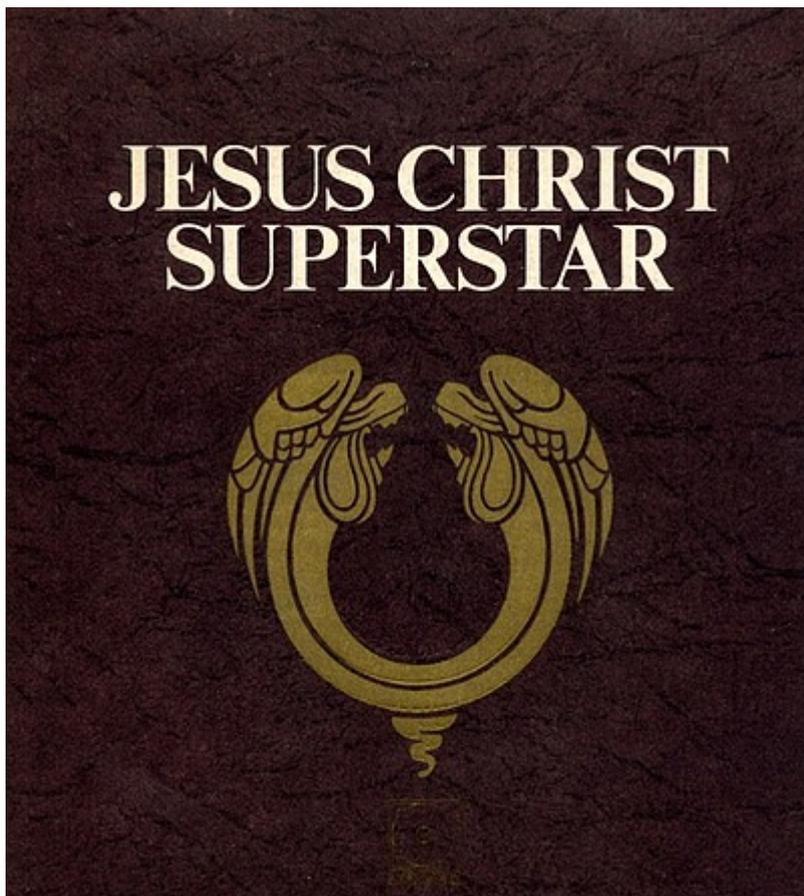


Any Requests?



I don't know if anyone noticed, but last Sunday there was a live performance of Jesus Christ Superstar on TV. This was a show that debuted in the 1970s when I was in high school. And I, like many of my classmates, owned the soundtrack album and listened to it over and over again.

Now, as embarrassing as it may be, you are about to hear the rest of the story. This is the memory that came to mind as I was watching the show.

WINX was the local radio station that most of us kids listened to in my hometown and they started a request line where teens could call in to ask the DJ to play certain songs.

I was with a friend in my house after school listening to the afternoon DJ spin his records when the request line came on. I was dared by my friend to call in a request. Stupidly, I

didn't realize that I could have refused to rise to the bait. Instead, I called the radio station and, to my utter amazement, the DJ picked up.

He asked me what I wanted to hear. In retrospect, I probably should have thought about that before I dialed. But now I was on the spot. Jesus Christ Superstar was the hottest album at that time so I just said "play something from Jesus Christ Superstar." And I hung up and listened to the broadcast.

After the commercial ended, the DJ came back on air to say, "Here's a request from Mike in Rockville Maryland who wants to say, "I Don't Know How To Love Him."

My friend went into convulsions.

I pretended to be sick the next day so I didn't have to go to school.

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