

Righteous

(Loosely based off of the musical *Wicked*)

Glenda: Elphie, now that we're friends, I've decided to make you my new personal progress project! *Holds out Personal Progress book*

Elphaba: You really don't have to do that.

Glenda: I know! That's what makes me so nice! Let's see, first I'll start with helping you know that you have individual worth!

Elphaba: Glenda...

Glenda: And then I'll make you a modest dress so you know just how much divine nature you have! *Goes on talking, not noticing Elphaba's trying to tell her something*

Elphaba: Glenda...

Glenda: You're just such a lovely daughter of God!

Elphaba: Glenda! *Glenda stops and listens* But I don't feel like a daughter of God!

Glenda: Elphaba, why not?

Elphaba: Just look at me! I'm completely green!

Glenda: Oh, Elphie, that's silly! You are so virtuous, and you just need to arise and shine forth!

Elphaba: I don't know what that means. I need to think about this. *Exits*

Glenda: Elphaba! Come back! I have ten hours to work on you!

Glenda exits, Fiyera enters

Fiyera: Hey, Elphaba! Why so down?

Elphaba: Hi, Fiyera. I was just thinking. What do you think it means to arise and shine forth?

Fiyera: Is this about church? Why even care? Just have fun! Forget about standards and church stuff! It's easier that way.

Elphaba: Forget about standards?

Fiyera: Of course! Learn to live what I call "the unexamined life."

Elphaba: Hmmm, the unexamined life.

Fiyera: Yeah! I'm just dancing through life!

Mother enters when Fiyera's talking

Mother: Fiyera! What are you talking about, young lady?

Fiyera: Oh, Mother! I was just, uh...

Mother: You're in trouble, missy. *Drags Fiyera offstage by ear, Boq enters*

Elphaba: Boq, what do you think it means to arise and shine forth?

Boq: I think that it means to be popular, like Miss Glenda.

Elphaba: Glenda is so popular. Maybe that's what it means.

Sports team enters

Elphaba: What does it mean to arise and shine forth?!

Sport girl: To be good at sports!

Another sport girl: Goal!

Sports team exits, Sister Morrible enters

Sister Morrible: Elphaba, whatever is troubling you?

Elphaba: Oh, Sister Morrible! I don't know how I can arise and shine forth!

Sister Morrible: Why ever not, dear?

Elphaba: I'm not popular like Glenda, I'm not good at sports, and I'm green!

Sister Morrible: Elphaba, you are a special young lady, and even more important, a daughter of God. Do you know what it means to arise and shine forth?

Elphaba: No, I guess not.

Sister Morrible: You can do so by being virtuous. Virtue is behavior showing high moral standards.

Elphaba: Oh, I get it! Thank you, Sister Morrible!

Music number about "Arising and Shine Forth," to the tune of "Defying Gravity"

The theme of the skit can easily be changed.