



Now, Mary and Joseph had to take a trip to Bethlehem, the town King David was from. But when they reached the little town, they found every room was full. Every bed was taken. *Mary and Joseph slowly walk to center stage.*

Where would they stay? Soon Mary's baby would come. They couldn't find anywhere except a space where animals stayed. So they settled in.

And there, in the stable, amongst the chickens and the donkeys and the cows, in the quiet of the night, God gave the world his wonderful gift. The baby that would change the world was born. His baby Son. *Mary and Joseph move stage left and kneel by manger.*

Mary and Joseph wrapped him up to keep him warm. They made a soft bed of straw and used the animals' feed trough as his cradle. And they gazed in wonder at God's Great Gift, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger. *Joseph brings up baby and places him in manger. Mary and Joseph tucked in in.*

Mary and Joseph name him Jesus, "Emmanuel" –which means "God has come to live with us." Because, of course, he had.

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*Mary & Joseph exit. Narrators change places.*

**LGT: Narrator Microphone**

#### **NARRATOR #4**

That same night, amongst the other stars, suddenly a bright new star appeared, of all the stars in the dark vaulted heavens, this one shone clearer. It blazed in the night and made the other stars look pale beside it. *Angel carries on lit star and stands by manger.*

God put it there when his baby Son was born—to be like a spotlight. Shining on his. Lighting up the darkness. Showing people the way to him. He'd been waiting all these long years for this moment, and now he wanted to tell everyone.

He'd put a special star in the sky to show where his boy was. And now he was going to send a big choir of angels to announce the happy news.

*Actors and Narrators exit.*

**LGT: Lights Down**

## **Worship Song**

**CG: "Silent Night Born is the King" Lyric Video**

## **Christmas Story Part 2**

*Narrator #5 enters*

**LGT: Narrator Microphone**

#### **NARRATOR #5**

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Jesus said, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. Go everywhere and tell everyone the happy news!

Tell them I love them so much that I died for them. It's the Truth that overcomes sin. God loves his children. Yes, he really does!

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