

The Christmas Story

Scene 1 – The Fields Outside Bethlehem

Shepherd 1: Another night caring for the sheep.

Shepherd 2: Same old thing, day after day, night after night.

Shepherd 3: I heard our rabbi say that someday the Messiah will come.

Shepherd 1: Of course. Someday. Not that we will ever see it.

Shepherd 2: It probably won't happen for thousands and thousands of years.

Shepherd 3: And when it does happen, we lowly shepherds will be the last to hear about it.

The angel appears.

Shepherd 3: An angel! Run for your lives!

Angel: Don't be afraid. I'm bringing you really great news. Today in King David's old hometown, the Savior has been born. This will be the sign to show you this is true: You can go to the stable, and you will find the baby there, lying in a manger.

Many Angels: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to men on whom His favor rests.

Shepherd 1: We've got to go see this!

Scene 2 – The Manger

Shepherd 2: OK, this is the stable. But shouldn't the Messiah be in the Temple or something like that?

Shepherd 3: I hope nobody thinks we're crazy, looking for the Deliverer of Israel in a barn.

Joseph: Who's there? Why are you here?

Shepherd 1: An angel sent us here.

Mary: I've seen angels too. Come on in and see Jesus.