

An Angel, A Star And A Stable

SCRIPT SAMPLE

Narrator One	Over 2000 years ago, when the mountainous region of Judea in present-day Palestine was under Roman rule, a young woman named Mary lived in the town of Nazareth.
Narrator Two	She was engaged to be married to a carpenter called Joseph.
Narrator Three	They were very happy together.
Narrator Four	Then, one day, an angel named Gabriel appeared to Mary, bringing her the most unexpected news.
Gabriel	Mary, don't be afraid. You have been chosen by God to bring his son into the world.
Mary	You what?
Gabriel	You have found favour with God.
Mary	Found what?
Gabriel	You will give birth to a son.
Mary	A what?
Narrator Five	As you can imagine, Mary was rather surprised by the whole encounter.
Gabriel	You are to call him Jesus. He is a gift from God for the people. He will save them from their sins.
Mary	Jesus?
Gabriel	Yes, Jesus.

Mary I see.

Narrator Six But she trusted in God, and immediately accepted what was to happen.

Narrator Seven Though she did worry what Joseph might think.

Joseph *(to the audience)* I was a little taken aback at first. But then an angel visited me in a dream and told me that all would be well, and to take Mary as my wife. Which I did. Happily.

Narrator Eight Now, around the time, the Roman Emperor, Caesar Augustus, decided to carry out a census of the Empire.

Narrator One Everyone was told to return to their family town in order to be registered.

Narrator Two Which meant, for Joseph and Mary, a long and challenging journey to the little town of Bethlehem.

Narrator Three Cars hadn't yet been invented. Nor even trains. So they opted for donkey travel.

Mary, Joseph and the donkey begin their journey.

Narrator Four This was a lot less quick and a lot more smelly.

Donkey Er, that's a little personal.

Narrator Five Mary was far from comfortable.

Donkey I'm doing my best.

Narrator Six But she wasn't one for complaining, and Mary, Joseph and the donkey made their way to Bethlehem, hoping they would arrive before the baby did.