

A script from



"Casting Call: Jesus"

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- What** God sent His Son, Jesus, as a baby in a lowly manger to save us from our sins. This script is a live nativity that is perfect for your Christmas worship service.
Themes: Christmas, Nativity, Jesus, Baby, Savior, Manger, Christmas Eve Service
- Who**
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| Director | Wise Man |
| Baby Jesus | Additional Wise Man |
| "Teen" Mary | Additional Wise Man |
| "Adult" Mary | Angel |
| Joseph | |
- When** Present
- Wear (Props)** Each actor should wear Biblical costumes, except for "Teen" Mary. She should wear stage crew clothes.
This is a live nativity, so you can go as big or as small as you'd like.
- Why** Isaiah 9:6; 53
- How** See all notes in the stage directions.
*Note- This script is also part of a larger script, "Casting Call".
- Time** Approximately 7-8 minutes

Lights up on the live nativity. Every cast member enters and moves to their "traditional" spot. Since there is some set up for the live nativity, and if you are doing this as a full-length play, a suggestion is to have the choir, band or a soloist sing a Christmas song as the audience watches the live nativity being set up.

*"Teen" Mary, who is now part of the stage crew as the "prop girl", is leading the way...she "gets" it! We see all the characters move to their places. All of this should happen within one song. Time the setup with the song and when the song ends, everyone in the live nativity is in their places and frozen. The only one moving will be the **Baby Jesus**.*

*We see **Mary** (adult Mary). We see the **Wise Man** that auditioned along with two other additional wise men. We see **Joseph**. We see a shepherd, the same character who played **George** (Herod). We see the **Angel**. Everyone is now in their Biblical clothes as opposed to their street clothes that they auditioned in. We even see "**Teen**" **Mary** in her stage crew clothes placing the **Baby Jesus** in the hands of "**Adult**" **Mary** on the set. "**Teen**" **Mary** is learning to serve.*

Director: Little one who was born, let me tell you a story: "In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

How fitting it is that you were born amongst the mess? In a barn full of animals and hay in an unsafe, fallen world. No palace to shield you from the world, but a full view of humanity...from a barn no less. As you grow, your story will become the greatest story that will be told for centuries from one generation to the next. Nations will be divided because of your birth. Calendars will be divided in light of your birth. The world, in all its busy-ness, won't recognize you at first, but some will realize a Savior entered the world. You will see the hurt, the anger, the pride...every hidden shame and frailty.

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ENDING:

You will hear their cries...and weep for them. You will hear their prayers...and heal them. You will die a cruel death... and rise again for them. Some will see that though the thief comes to kill, steal and destroy, you, my Son, came to give them life.

Just as the prophet foretold little one: The Lord will give a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son., and will call him...Immanuel. "God with Us".

Slow fade on baby in manger.

You might go right into singing Christmas songs or praise music with the live nativity still set on stage and transition into your time of worship.