

A script from



“First Christmas: Innkeeper”

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- What** The Innkeeper comes to realize why his mother always told him to make room.
Themes: Christmas, Nativity, Joseph, Mary, Shepherd, Wise Men
- Who** The Innkeeper
- When** After Christ is born
- Wear (Props)** The innkeeper is a businessman. A shirt and tie, sleeves rolled up. He owns an inn, so he needs to look business like, but also needs to get his hands dirty with upkeep of the inn every now and then. Khakis or nice looking jeans with a buttoned shirt.
- Why** Luke 2:6-7
- How** The Innkeeper is a small businessman. He carries a slightly Jewish accent, but is a good ole boy in the Yankee sense. He is good at conversation and can talk to anyone about anything. Very likable.
- Time** Approximately 3-4 minutes

The Innkeeper addresses the audience.

Innkeeper: Had I known then what I know now...there would have been room in my inn. Oy vey! I would have given up my own bed for them. But I didn't know. How could I?

This place was packed! I'd never seen so many people in Bethlehem! The government made everyone in the world go back to their hometown and register...government's gotta get their money right? Since nobody wants to stay with their in-laws, I'm booked solid.

I remember that day well. The space we had was all taken up before dinner time. It was probably about two hours after dinner when they showed up. Talk about desperate! He was scared and exhausted and she...she was about to burst. As they're walking up to me I'm planning what to say in my head. I'm thinking I'll say, "So sorry, we have no room left."

But when they get to me...they just stand there for a minute. He's looking down trying to gather his thoughts. She winces, ever so slightly in pain. Then he looks up at me and says, "Please." That's all he said..."Please."

Let me tell you a story. I'm five years old, and I'm helping my mom set the table. I tell her that she has too many plates out. She looks at me and says "You always make room. You never know who will show up. I gave her a look like "what?!" And she says emphatically, "You never know who God may bring your way...you always make room!"

So...I look at this man and his very pregnant wife and say, "I don't know where we'll put you, but we'll make room."

So we made room. It wasn't the best room, but it was all I had to give them. So...mom was right...you always make room.