

A script from



“God is With Us”

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What A time of worship at Advent through remembering the Incarnation, the story of Mary’s birth of Jesus in Bethlehem.

Themes: Christmas, Advent, Jesus Birth, Worship, Incarnation, Reader’s Theatre

Who Reader 1 (Female)
Reader 2

When Present

Wear (Props) Unless you have the script memorized, Readers should have a black binder to read from.

Why Luke 1:26-38 and 2:1-14

How If you read this from the script, be familiar enough with your lines so that your head isn’t down in the script the entire time. Embrace the awe and mystery of the scripture.

For more ideas on how to perform a Reader’s Theatre, watch How to Perform a Reader’s Theatre on SkitGuys.com.

<https://skitguys.com/blog/post/how-to-perform-a-readers-theatre>

Time Approximately 2 minutes

Readers enter and address the audience.

- R1: This Advent Season, we take time to remember the miracle of the Incarnation, the wonder of Jesus' birth.
- R1: One cell inside of her,
- R2: The world outside her body is chaos.
- R1: The star is already in the sky and the wise men on their camels are coming.
- R2: The cell divides and life is stirring in her womb.
- R1: Mary, on the lonely road to Bethlehem remembers the moment when the angel came.
- R2: She rests her hand nervously on her stomach and whispers to it,
- R1: "You are that you are—inside of me"
- R2: Her quiet words are carried by the stale desert wind to their proper place
- R1: And heard by the God of heaven.
- R2: And he is pleased.
- R1: One cell inside of her,
- R2: Now four, then eight...
- R1: Now the familiar form of a human child
- R2: So delicate—the God of the universe unborn,
- R1: Yet the same yesterday, the same forever.
- R2: The fullness of time has arrived and all of heaven is waiting,
- R1: Like every human breath since the creation has been held until this one moment,
- R2: For the fresh air of beginning.
- R1: And when she arrives, ready to give birth to the child in the city of David,
- R2: The whole host of heaven is watching.

R1: What they witness is a young woman push through pain, with tears.
R2: What they do not yet see are the images of a Teacher,
R1: Fisherman, a field of sheep,
R2: A man walking on water toward terrified disciples.
R1: The same strong man nailed to that terrible tree,
R2: His blood poured out for you and me.
R1: Nor can they see the moment when stars were formed,
R2: And a tender hand gathered up dust
R1: To form the First Adam.
R2: As Mary cries out, what they see is a Second Adam, God's only son, born
into the world,
R1: And all the host of heaven cry
Both: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lamb!"
R2: Mary wraps him in a warm cloth and draws him to herself,
R1: Touching the arm of her husband she speaks to the child,
R2: Afraid to disturb the holy silence:
R1: "God is with us."
R2: This Advent we remember that God sent his Son into the world
R1: And the miracle of the Incarnation is that He is with us still.