

A script from



## “Paparazzi at the Manger”

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- What** Do we get so caught up in worldly tasks that we almost miss the birth of Jesus? What are we really looking for at Christmas? **Themes:** Christmas, Manger, Birth of Christ, Focus, Reason
- Who** Matt  
Zach
- When** Bible times; The birth of Jesus
- Wear (Props)** Biblical costumes  
\*Optional- old camera equipment  
Cow sound effect  
Donkey sound effect
- Why** Matthew 2; Luke 2
- How** This is a "buddy" piece, so make sure that the two actors play off each other really well.
- Time** Approximately 3-5 minutes

*Two paparazzi from Jerusalem, **Matt** and **Zach**, are sneaking into the manger in Bethlehem to get shots of the birth of a "king." They are clumsy and make noises as they enter.*

**Zach:** Sssh! They'll hear us!

**Matt:** Hey...I didn't know we had to make our way through an obstacle course of animals to get here.

**Zach:** We have to get closer so we can get some good photos. Hurry up!

**Matt:** I have to take it slow so I won't step in...aw, too late!

**Zach:** Stop whining! If we get these shots of the birth of the King of Israel, we'll be set for life. No more small jobs...our names will be known all over the world!

**Matt:** Maybe so...but are you sure this is the place?

**Zach:** Yes, I'm sure. I got the scoop from that page in Herod's court.

**Matt:** How do you know you can trust him?

**Zach:** He's a friend of my third cousin's nephew.

**Matt:** Well, that eases my mind.

**Zach:** Hey, stop worrying...I have my secondary source too!

**Matt:** And what might that be?

**Zach:** I just got a text from a shepherd friend of mine. He said he was out in the fields tonight and all of a sudden the sky was filled with...you won't believe this...it was filled with angels singing!

**Matt:** *(Unbelieving)* Angels?

**Zach:** Yep.

**Matt:** Singing angels?

**Zach:** That's what he said...and the angels told him and his buddies to come and see this new king...and the place they are coming is right here! We are sitting on a gold mine here!

**Matt:** I wouldn't think a king would be born in a dingy barn in the middle of a little town like this. This village is so small, they didn't even have a coffee shop...and you know I need my coffee for an all-night job like this. Remind me where we are, so I won't come back here again?

**Zach:** This is Bethlehem.

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**ENDING:**

**Matt:** Well, I guess you are right...but something still seems pretty special about those folks ...and that baby! I'm not sure what it is, but I feel at peace. *(Picks up camera)* I think I will move a little closer and get a photo.

**Zach:** Why waste a shot? It won't be worth anything.

**Matt:** I'll keep the photo for my own personal album. It will be special to me! *(Matt moves closer and raises camera.)*

*Donkey makes sound.*

**Matt:** Where did that donkey come from?

**Zach:** I don't know, but he doesn't look like he wants us to bother the baby.

*Matt and Zach scrambling to get their things and leave; more sounds of donkey.*

**Matt:** *(Shouting out as he still tries to take a photo as he leaves)* Quick smile, folks?

*Donkey sounds.*

**Zach:** We'll leave our card! If you ever want any photos of your son as he gets older!

*Donkey sounds as they run off.*

*Lights out. The end.*