A script from



## "What If?" A Christmas Skit

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**What** A series of questions proposing what would have been missed if the shepherds

had used excuses to not visit the baby Jesus. Those questions parallel the excuses people use today to avoid meeting Jesus in a personal way. Themes:

Excuses, Christmas, Jesus, Salvation, Disbelief

**Who** Reader 1

Reader 2

**When** Present

**Wear** 2 Black binders (if script isn't memorized)

(Props)

**Why** Luke 2:8-20

**How** This script is performed best if memorized. If you choose not to memorize, read

from scripts placed in matching, sturdy, black folders. Readers should be very

rehearsed so that their heads aren't buried ineffectively in their scripts.

Consider creative blocking for more impact.

**Time** Approximately 4-6 minutes; This script is 2½ pages long.

- **Reader 1:** And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.
- **Reader 2:** This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."
- **Reader 1:** When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger.
- Reader 2: When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

**Reader 1:** Blazing angels

Reader 2: Simple shepherds

Reader 1: A baby

Reader 2: A sign

**Reader 1:** Evidence of the fulfillment of an ancient promise

**Reader 2:** The Messiah

Reader 1: The Christ

**Reader 2:** A history-altering moment for the world

**Reader 1:** And a life-changing event for a few chosen men

Reader 2: But what if . . .

**Reader 1:** What if the angels had come and the good news was declared

Reader 2: But the shepherds had stayed in the fields that night?

Reader 1: What if ...



**Reader 2:** What if they had decided that they were too filthy from the keeping of sheep,

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## **ENDING:**

**Reader 1:** Imagine if they would *not* have changed after being confronted with the knowledge that the Savior had come,

Reader 2: If their lives had continued on in the exact same way.

Reader 1: What if . . .

The End.