

## **Kids' Scripts**

Zechariah and Elizabeth:

When Herod was king, there was a priest named Zechariah and he had a wife named Elizabeth. Both of them loved God and did their best to obey Him. But they were sad because they were old and they didn't have any children. Elizabeth was barren.

Zechariah was in the temple serving the Lord when an angel appeared to him. Zechariah was scared, but the angel told him that he and Elizabeth would have a son. They were to name the baby John. John would be great in the eyes of God and he would help people get ready for Jesus.

Zechariah didn't believe the angel so God made it so that Zechariah could not talk. What the angel said came true. Elizabeth had a baby and they named him John. And then Zechariah could talk. So he praised God.

Mary and Joseph:

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Mary in Nazareth. She was engaged to a man named Joseph. Gabriel appeared to Mary and said, "Hello! God has chosen you. He is with you."

Mary was scared but the angel told her, "Don't be afraid, Mary. God is pleased with you. You will have a son and you will name him Jesus. He will be great and will be the Son of God. He will be a King who will reign forever! Mary asked how this could happen. She said, "I am not married yet."

The angel said that the Holy Spirit will make this happen and the baby will be God's Son. Nothing is impossible with God.

Mary said "I am the Lord's servant. May everything that you have said come true."

Joseph was engaged to Mary. But when she became pregnant before they were married, he decided to break up with her quietly. But an angel of the Lord came to Joseph in a dream and said "Don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife. Her baby is given to her by the Holy Spirit." She will have a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.

So when Joseph woke up, he did as the angel of the Lord said.

Several months later, the government told them to go to Bethlehem. So they made the long journey and when they got there, it was time for the baby to be born. There was no room for them in the inn, so they found a stable and Jesus was born. Mary wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger.

Shepherds:

That night there were shepherds staying in the fields nearby, guarding their flocks of sheep. Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terrified, but the angel told them. "Don't be afraid!" he said. "I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem. You will find the baby wrapped snugly in strips of cloth, lying in a manger."

Suddenly, the angel was joined by a lot of other angels praising God and saying,

“Glory to God in highest heaven,  
and peace on earth to those with whom God is pleased.”

When the angels had returned to heaven, the shepherds said to each other, “Let’s go to Bethlehem! Let’s see the baby from heaven”

They ran to the village and found Mary and Joseph.

And there was the baby! They saw him lying in the manger.

The shepherds went back to their flocks, celebrating and praising God for all they had heard and seen. It was just like the angel had said!

Wisemen:

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east saw his star and came to worship him. After asking Herod in Jerusalem about the newborn king, they set out for Bethlehem and the star went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! <sup>11</sup> They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Herod:

Herod was a mean king. He did not want anyone else to be more important than him. When he heard the wisemen say that a new king had been born, Herod got scared and angry.

He acted like he wanted to know where the baby was so that he could worship him. But really he wanted to kill the baby Jesus. Herod was a very bad man! But the wisemen did not tell him where Jesus was.

Simeon:

There was a man named Simeon that saw Jesus and he got all excited! God told him that baby Jesus was the Messiah! Simeon held Jesus in his arms and said "I have seen God's salvation. Jesus is the light and hope for all people! But not everyone will love him because he will judge our hearts."

Anna:

There was a woman named Anna and she was a very very old. She was a prophetess. She prayed a lot! When she saw Jesus, she thanked God and then told everyone she knew! Yipee! The Messiah is here!