

Delbert & Lello

Lesson 50, Unit 10

The God of Peace

THE PROMISE OF ADVENT:

JESUS WAS BORN IN A MANGER

Luke 2:4-7

Suggested setting: Prophets & Promises puppet sketches adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from a card table turned onto its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

Characters: Delbert, the donkey and Lello, the lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.) The leader helps children focus on puppets, and leads group interaction with puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet stage.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello. Repeat after me,
"Dehhhhhl-bert Dehhhhhl-bert!"

(Children repeat and Delbert, the donkey pops up.)

"Hellohhhhhhhhhhh Lello!"

(Children repeat and Lello, the lamb pops up.)

Delbert

Hee Haw! Hello everybody!

Lello (bleats)

Yeah. Hello every-bahhh-dy. Delbert and I have been having so much fun playing with our baby Jesus and angel Gabriel that we made.

Delbert

I'd like to make Joseph next.

Lello

Yeah. Let's make Joseph and Mary!

Leader

That's a great idea. Do you know why Mary and Joseph put baby Jesus in the manger?

Delbert

Haw. I don't know! I thought a manger was a place for donkey food!

Lello

Yeah. Why didn't baby Jesus have a soft, snuggly bed?

Leader

Well, Mary and Joseph had traveled a long way to a little town called Bethlehem.

Delbert

Haw. Didn't God promise long ago that the Lord would come from Bethlehem?

Leader

That's true, but when it was time for baby Jesus to be born, there was no room in the inn.

Delbert

So that's why baby Jesus had a manger for a bed.

Lello

Delbert, do you think we can make Mary and Joseph for our manger scene?

Delbert

Let's do it, Lello! We can pretend they are traveling through Bethlehem asking for a place to sleep.

Leader

That sound like a great idea!

Lello

I can't wait to get started.
Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy!

Delbert

See you guys later.

Leader

See you next time.
(All exit.)