



Jesus is Born

Luke 2:1-7

Suggested setting: The God of Wonders puppet scripts 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 can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on 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 and leads group interaction with the puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet window.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.
Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert, Dehhhhhl-bert!" (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a window.) **"Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

Delbert
Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!

Leader & Children
Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert.

Lello
Yeah (bleat) Hello every-bahhh-dy.

Delbert
Haw. Hey guess what I set up today?

Lello
Um...your Christmas tree?

Delbert
Nope.

Leader
A wreath on your door?

Delbert
Nope. My nativity set!

Leader
Oh how wonderful. I love nativity sets.

Delbert
Me, too. It's one of my favorite parts of Christmas.

Lello
What's a na-tiv-ity set?

Delbert
Haw. It reminds us of the place where Jesus was born. Mine has a baby Jesus in the manger, and Mary, Joseph, sheep, and a donkey, of course.

Lello
Oh. That sounds like fun.

Leader

Delbert, your nativity set reminds me of today's Christmas Candle.

Delbert

It does?

Leader

Remember that we light the Christmas candles to get our hearts ready to celebrate Christmas. child's name is here to help us light the Bethlehem Candle.

(Lello, Delbert, and Leader continue as leader helps child light candle and return to seat.)

Lello

Beth-le-hem? What's that?

Delbert

It's a place. Boys and girls, tell Lello who was born in Bethlehem. (Pause for response: "Jesus!")

Leader

That's right. Jesus was born in Bethlehem. And next time, we only have one candle left to light.

Delbert

Christmas is almost here! I can't wait.

Lello

Me either. Hey Delbert, could you show me your nativity set?

Delbert

I would love to. Come on.

Lello

Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.

Leader

Bye guys. See you next time. (exit)