



# An Angel Visits the Shepherds

Luke 2:8-16

**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.) **"Hellooooooooooooo Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

**Delbert**  
**Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!**

**Leader and Children**  
**Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert.**

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

**Delbert**  
**I brought you something today.**

**Leader**  
**You did?**

**Delbert**  
**Candy canes! They are one of my favorite parts of Christmas.**

**Lello**  
**Delbert, you have a lot of favorite parts.**

**Delbert**  
**I sure do!**

**Leader**  
**Well thank you for the candy cane. And you know what this looks like?**

**Delbert**  
**A candy cane?**

**Leader**  
**Well yes, but it looks like a shepherd's staff.**

**Lello**  
**Yeah, I can see that. Is that what today's candle is – the Shepherd's Candle?**

**Leader**

Yes. 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 Shepherd's Candle. (Delbert, Lello, and Leader continue as leader helps child light candle and return to seat.)

**Delbert**

The Shepherd's Candle reminds me of the shepherds who heard the good news from the angels.

**Lello**

I bet the shepherd's were so excited to hear about baby Jesus.

**Leader**

They were. And then the shepherds told everyone about Jesus' birth.

**Delbert**

Haw! All the candles are lighted. Christmas comes this week!

**Leader**

That's right. And Lello, have you decided what to give your mom?

**Lello**

I did! I'm going to make her an angel from white paper and sparkling things!

**Delbert**

Haw! That's a great idea. She can put it on the top of the Christmas tree!

**Leader**

Yes, and each time your mom sees that angel, she will remember the story of the angel who told the shepherds about baby Jesus.

**Delbert**

Just like we've been remembering the story of baby Jesus with each candle we light!

**Lello**

Yeah. I've loved hearing about the Christmas candles.

**Delbert**

Me, too! Hey, Lello, let's go and pretend that we are the shepherds.

**Leader**

That's a great idea. And you two can tell everyone the good news about baby Jesus.

**Delbert**

Merry Christmas everyone!

**Lello**

Merry Christmas. Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.

**Leader**

Bye, guys. Have a wonderful Christmas.

(exit)