

Worship Illustration: Script
The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
Kings & Kingdoms: Advent of the King
Unit 10, Lesson 51

# Advent 4: Celebration of the King

Luke 2:8-20

Suggested setting: The Kings & Kingdoms 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 learn more about Jesus and the Bible. Ranger Ryan the Lion is the wise forest ranger who occasionally visits Delbert and Lello. Ranger Ryan will appear throughout Unit 10 to tell the Christmas story. The leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, a farmer, etc.) The leader helps children focus on the puppets and leads group interaction.

**Props:** Christmas lights decorating the stage

Leader (Stands at puppet stage.)
Let's call for Ranger Ryan and see if he has another story to share. Can you all roar with me? Roooaaar!

## Ranger Ryan

Roooaaar! Ranger Ryan here. Hello my little ones. Let's call for Lello, too.

## Leader

Great idea. Ready everyone?
"Hellohhhhhhhhhhhhhh Lello!" (Children and Ranger Ryan repeat and Lello pops up.)

# **<u>Lello</u>** (bleating)

Hello every-bahhh-dy. Hello, Ranger Ryan! What story are you going to tell us today?

## Ranger Ryan

Today, I thought I'd share a story of one of the first times people praised King Jesus.

## Lello

Yeah! We love to praise Jesus here in Praise Time, don't we boys and girls?

#### Leader

That's right, Lello. I think I know which story you're going to tell us, Ranger Ryan. Lello will really like this one. It has shepherds in it.

#### Lello

Shepherds? People who watch sheep? Yeah! Ranger Ryan, please tell us the story.

# Ranger Ryan

Let's begin. Remember last time we learned that baby Jesus was born in a manger in Bethlehem. Out in nearby fields, there were shepherds. An angel came to them. And they were afraid.

## Lello

Yeah, I'd be afraid too. What did the angel say?

## Ranger Ryan

The angel said to the shepherds, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news. A savior has been born to you."

#### Lello

Oooo, did the angel mean baby Jesus?

## Ranger Ryan

Yes. When the angel told the shepherds where to find baby Jesus, the shepherds hurried off to find Him and praise Him.

## **Leader**

That's right. And one of my favorite parts of this story is that right after the angel spoke to the shepherds, the sky filled with angels praising God.

#### **Lello**

That's just like we praise God! Wow! What a great story. Thank you, Ranger Ryan.

#### Ranger Ryan

My pleasure. Next time I will tell you what happened after that first Christmas. Then, I'm going to go visit my family and celebrate Christmas with them.

#### Lello

Yeah. It's fun to celebrate the coming of baby Jesus with our families. Can we go find Delbert and tell him about the shepherds?

## Ranger Ryan

Terrrific! See you arrrrround. (Pronounced with a friendly roar.)

#### Lello

Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.

#### Leader

We'll see you soon.

(All exit.)