



Worship Illustration: Script
The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
Prophets & Promises: Advent of the Promised One
Unit 10, Lesson 50

Advent 3—The Promised Son Is Born

Luke 1:26-38

Suggested setting: The Prophets & Promises 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. 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: Manger scene craft samples from Unit 10 (Lessons 48-52) including baby Jesus, Gabriel, Joseph, Mary, shepherds, army of angels (heavenly host), and wise men. Decorate the stage with Christmas lights.

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 his head out of the window.) **Hellohhhhhhhhhhhh Lello!** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops her head out of the window.)

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 sounds 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.)