



A family nativity play

ALL-AGE TALK

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O Characters

- Narrator
- Mary
- Girl 1
- Girl 2
- Joseph
- Gabriel

The story

Character/Actions	Lines
Narrator: We see Mary walking along, or getting ready for school, she is joined by 1 or 2 other girls as this speech progresses	Mary wasn't a remarkable girl. I know it sounds rude to say it, but she really was very ordinary. She was what you would expect from a 13 year old.
We see Joseph	If there was something that made her unique, it was that she had already agreed to marry Joseph. That might seem surprising for a 13 year old, but they were all doing it back then. Joseph thought he was quite a catch. He was from King David's family. But his friends were quick to remind him that King David had been dead for 700 years. Now he was just a carpenter.
	They both lived in Nazareth, which was a place in Galilee. Although the people of Nazareth would disagree, it wasn't special.
	Everything was about to change. Nazareth would be famous for millennia to come. For Mary, today would be the beginning of a great big adventure.

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Angel's announcement to Mary



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Mary: [to her friend].	I long for a great big adventure.
Friend 1:	That will never happen. Great big adventures never happen here.
	I'm the angel Gabriel.
Angel: [Suddenly appearing, somehow] Friend 2:	Hi Angel Gabriel, I'm Sarah.
	Is Angel-Gabriel like a double-barrelled name? Like Jay-Zee?
Friend 1:	No, I'm an Angel, called Gabriel.
Angel:	Hi, I'm an English, called Sarah.
Friend 2:	No, I'm sent by God to you Mary.
Angel:	
2 friends run off screaming, Mary looks terrified	

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Mary:	What have I done? Please don't hurt me. It was probably an accident. If it wasn't I'll pay for it.
Angel:	You're not in trouble, in fact, it's the opposite. God has made you special. The Lord is with you.
Mary:	I don't understand. What are you saying? Can I go now? Please?
Angel:	Don't be afraid, Mary, God has chosen you above all others for a great adventure. You will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great. He will be the Son of God and will reign over God's people forever. His kingdom will never end.
Mary:	I think you've got the wrong girl. I can't have a child. No really. It's impossible. LOL.
Angel:	I know. I understand. This is a work of the Holy Spirit. Nothing is impossible with God.
Mary:	Well, if you're sure. I am the Lord's servant. May it happen to me as you have said.