Christmas With the Puppets

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{INFO:}. ALL PUPPETS UP JUBILANT AND CHIT-CHATTING

{SAMANTHA}. Hey, Winter, what do you want for Christmas this year?

{WINTER}. I want a new brother! Like the one in the manger.

{SAMANTHA}. What's wrong with the one you have?

{WINTER}. No, I mean a new brother!

{BRIAN}. Yeah, what's wrong with the one you have!

{WINTER}. Well.....

{DAISY / PANDORA}. She wants one that's sweet!

{SAMANTHA}. Sweet!

{MATT}. Well, I may be biased, but I think Brian is just fine.

{BRIAN}. Hey! I heard Mary and Joseph loves the new baby . . . maybe you could borrow there's.

{WINTER}. Hummmm . . . I Don't. . . . Think. That..... would work.

{MATT}. Well, it's perfect. That way you could have a little brother and give it back when it starts crying.

{WINTER}. Oh, my word!

{BRIAN}. Yeah, I don't see that working.

{SAMANTHA}. What's that all about anyway, Winter?

{WINTER}. Well, I just think it would be cool to have a little baby brother that I could help take care of and blame stuff on when I do something wrong.

{DAISY/ PANDORA}. Oh, GOOD GRIEF, I should've seen that coming.

{MATT}. What's with all this new baby stuff anyway, it all sounds boring to me.

{WINTER}. Well, I don't know, but there's something very special I heard going on here.

{SAMANTHA}. What's that?

{BRIAN}. Yeah, what are you talking about?

{WINTER}. Well, I heard this baby was a King! I mean look at all at the animals and Angels all around!

{INFO:}. ALL LAUGH HYSTERICALLY.

{MATT}. A new King at Joseph's house? That's ridiculous. Joseph is just a carpenter, he's not royalty . . . He's nothing.

{WINTER}. Well, I'm just saying.

{SAMANTHA}. Just saying what Winter!

{BRIAN}. Maybe she's delirious.

{MATT}. Maybe Winter thinks she could be Queen someday.

{WINTER}. Okay, ... just stop it!

{WINTER}. I'm just saying I heard that there was something very special about this baby that they had.

{SAMANTHA}. Like what!

{WINTER}. Well, for starters the baby was born of a virgin.

{SAMANTHA}. Virgin! What does that even mean?

{BRIAN}. Oh, I got this! Is someone from Virginia.

{MATT}. I... don't think... that's what it means.

{SAMANTHA}. Well, how does it work then!

{MATT}. Let me take a stab at this! Okay, a virgin is not normal, but magical. In the sense that. . . . is not normal. I mean the stork brings baby Jesus to Joseph. . . . an if he like the baby they must buy it on amazon with his credit card and hope Mrs. Joseph likes him.

{SAMANTHA}. Well, that really clears it up.

{BRIAN}. But what does the Bible say about this! Doesn't the Bible talk about baby Jesus born as a Virginian?

{WINTER}. Wait a minute! Wasn't Jesus born In Bethlehem?

{SAMANTHA}. Well, this is a really special baby to be born as a Virginian and in Beth-le-hem-ian.

{MATT}. Yeah, no kidding. How does that even happen?

{BRIAN}. Well, the Bible says Jesus was born in Bethlehem. And as you can see that's where we are.

{WINTER}. What happens next?

{MATT}. Yeah, what is going to happen next?

{BRIAN}. Well, according to the Bible Mary was with child, and had to wait nine months like everyone else for this little baby Jesus to be born.

{DAISY/ PANDORA}. Why would she do something like that!

{BRIAN}. She did it because God asked her to. He told her that she was blessed among women. Not only would she bring Jesus into the world, but Jesus would **SAVE** the whole world.

{SAMANTHA}. Save the whole world?... From what?

{BRIAN}. Ourselves.

{SAMANTHA}. Save us from ourselves? I've never done anything that bad.

{BRIAN}. Well, according to the Bible, all of us has fallen short of Gods perfect example.

{WINTER}. How can this baby change that?

{BRIAN}. As has already been mentioned, this is not just an ordinary birth with an ordinary baby. This baby came from God.

{SAMANTHA}. That sounds deep!

{WINTER}. Yeah, too deep for me.

{MATT}. Yeah, I think I like it better with my head in the sand and not thinking about all this. All we wanted to know was what this baby had to do with all this!

{BRIAN}. Well, it was necessary for our redemption. The Bible says if you want to go to heaven, it's not automatic. It is free, Jesus (this baby) will pay the price for us. You don't have to work for it, but you do have to ask!

{SAMANTHA}. I thought all we had to do was be good enough.

{BRIAN}. That won't work! We can't. Even the slightest little lie is enough to send us to a bad place.

{DAISY<mark>/ PANDORA}.</mark> Well, I don't think that's fair I'm not a bad puppet.

{BRIAN}. You don't have to be a bad puppet.

{WINTER}. Well, I don't think that's fair!

{BRIAN}. It may not be fair, but it is JUST.

{MATT}. Well, that means nobody can go to heaven. With out baby Jesus

{BRIAN}. Exactly.

{SAMANTHA}. Well, this is a special baby indeed.

{BRIAN}. Exactly!

{MATT}. Okay, let me get this straight. You're saying that basically all of us are going to a dark place and Jesus, "God" came into this world as this baby to save us!

{WINTER}. All I wanted was a baby brother to play with and blame when something goes wrong, but it looks like Mary is going to have a very special baby. Maybe we can be BFFs.

{SAMANTHA}. I think Jesus would like to be your BFF, but as any relationship there are requirements.

{BRIAN}. The good news is we don't have to go to dark place, because of this baby Jesus. He was given as a bridge to cross the great divide between heaven and us. It's up to us to accept it. Far better than a baby brother. This baby is our ticket to heaven.

You see, it had to be like this, because otherwise everybody would brag about what they got to Heaven. For example: you would have some people saying I got to heaven because I quit smoking. Others, I got to heaven because I stopped drinking. Still others would say, I got here because I stopped lying or stopped watching fuzzy bear on TV during church. Or stop posting lies in Puppet Book.

{WINTER}. Oh no, wait a minute, we all like fuzzy bear on TV. We can't help it if it comes on Sunday.

{SAMANTHA}. Yeah, I like fuzzy bear too. I watch it all the time.

{DAISY<mark>/ PANDORA}.</mark> You mean, we can't even watch fuzzy bear on Sunday!

{BRIAN}. No, what I'm saying is you can't go to heaven and say you got there because you stop watching fuzzy bear. But yes, on Sunday you should be in church because you Love this baby Jesus and what He did for us.

{WINTER}. Okay, I changed my mind. I just want my doll.

{MATT}. Yes, it seems so complicated!

{DAISY/ PANDORA}. Yeah, I like fuzzy bear, I don't want to have to go to church.

{BRIAN}. Well, if you're Christian close to Jesus, you will want to go to church. It's about love for church, love for each other, an love for baby Jesus and what he's here to do.

{WINTER}. **{INFO:}. FRUSTRATED** I just wanted a little baby brother. I thought I could be BFFs with this baby. Who wrote this skit anyway?

{DAISY/ **PANDORA**}. Well, if you go to "thepuppetpage.com" all your questions about that can be answered.

{BRIAN}. LOOK, this baby Jesus thing isn't complicated, it's very, very, simple. God made going to heaven through Jesus very . . . very simple because we cannot save ourselves, again you must ask it's not automatic.

{MATT}. What a Christmas present!

{DAISY/ PANDORA}. Well, actually, He "IS" the reason for the season!

{SAMANTHA}. We need to put this story on Puppet Book

{DAISY/ PANDORA}. Well, I need to do a few things with my mom, I'll see you all later.

{WINTER}. Ok bye.

{BRIAN}. Yeah, bye.

{MATT}. See ya Pandora!

{INFO:}. {DAISY/ PANDORA}. LEAVES STAGE AND CHANGES CHARACTER TO DASY BUT DOES NOT COME UP YET.

{MATT}. Well, Brian, what do you want for Christmas?

{BRIAN}. I thought you would never ask. I want two motorcycles, a big red truck, new clothes, a new swimming pool, all the candy I can eat, oh, and a white Christmas, new parents, and a new girlfriend.

{SAMANTHA}. Seriously!

{BRIAN} I decided to forgo the new scooter and iPad.

{SAMANTHA}. {INFO:}. LOOKS DISGUSTED.

{BRIAN}. WHAT!

{WINTER}. That's more stuff than most people get in a lifetime. I think Christmas should be more about loving one another. And being together as a family and putting grudges aside.

{SAMANTHA}. We need to learn to love one another as Jesus did. He is our great example of what love is all about.

{INFO:}. UP COMES DAISY AND STARTS COZYING UP TO MATT.

{SAMANTHA}. Daisy has got the idea. Looks like Daisy loves you Matt.

{INFO:}. {MATT}. MATT SNEEZES. Well I don't love cats very much because of my allergies.

{MATT}. I wonder what cats want for Christmas.

{SAMANTHA}. Probably catnip, a bird, or a toy mouse.

{INFO:}. DAISY STILL COZYING UP TO MATT. MATT SNEEZES AGAIN.

{MATT}. DAISY, can you go over there?

{INFO:}. {DAISY MOVES TO THE STAND.

{MATT}. Goodness, I like you Daisy, I think you're cute and all that you need to give me a little space.

{SAMANTHA}. Maybe you need a pet her more.

{MATT}. What's this got to do is Christmas!

{WINTER}. Daisy is a person too. She's, my person.

{MATT}. Well ok then. Look she is laying on the Bible. I think she's trying to tell us something.

{SAMANTHA}. Maybe we should read the Christmas story in Luke.

{MATT}. That sounds like a great idea. Why don't you start Winter and maybe Samantha can read some and I'll read some.

{BRIAN}. Good idea. Let's do it!

{INFO:}. ALL GO DOWN