

## Emmanuel Skit

Props needed:

- Big TV remote
- “handy dandy” clipboard
- Bed for Joseph

### Scene 1

*Two angels are on the side of the scene chatting to each other.*

*Samuel enters carrying a clipboard. He looks out to the audience*

Harold: What a beautiful day to be up in heaven. Just like yesterday. And the day before. And the day before the day before. Eh. Well now that I think about it, they're all beautiful.

*Jonathan enters and rushes up to Harold.*

Jonathan: Jonathan the Angel reporting for duty ma'am.

Harold: Ah! You must be the transfer from Cloud 9. What's your name?

Jonathan: Jonathan ma'am.

*The two angels enter from the right and stare at Jonathan exaggeratedly.*

Samuel: Jonathan! That's a new name for us here!

John: Yes! Tell us, what does it mean?

Jonathan: Mean?

Harold: Yes, names are very special and they have meanings.

Samuel: I'm Samuel. Which means 'God hears'.

John: I'm John. Which means 'God is gracious'.

Jonathan: I don't know my name's meaning....

Harold: No worries! Let me look it up here in my handy dandy clipboard.

*Harold looks closely and flips his clipboard around. Opens flipboard and long chain of paper rolls down. Samuel walks over and points out Jonathan's name on the clipboard.*

Harold: AHA! Jonathan means 'gift of God'.

*All other angels ooooooh and ahhh.*

Harold: Oh! This reminds me! Today is a really exciting day! Gabriel is going down to deliver a message from God. He is going to tell a young man the name of the best gift from God!

Jonathan: The name of a best gift from God? *Looks confused* I don't get it.

John: Oh yes! It's very exciting. It's all part of a **very special plan that God the Father has to save the world**. Let's look!

*They race off stage, pulling Jonathan with them. Everyone sits down and Harold sits down and turns on the 'television'. <play television on sound>*



## Scene 2

*Verses up on the projector.*

But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." 22 Now all this took place to fulfil what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel," which translated means, "God with us." 24 And Joseph awoke from his sleep and did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, and took Mary as his wife,

Reader: Joseph and Mary were going to be married. But Joseph was thinking about not *marrying Mary*. When he was thinking about this, he had a special dream.

*Joseph is sleeping on the floor. An angel shakes him and speaks to him. <play dream sound effect>*

Gabriel: Joseph! God has put a very special baby in Mary. Mary is going to have the most special baby in the world ever. The baby will have God as his Father.

Joseph: Wait.. who are you?

Gabriel: I'm Gabriel! I'm here to give you a message from God in your dreams. As I was saying before you interrupted me....this ba-

Joseph: Sorry...

Gabriel: Interrupting again!

*Joseph covers his mouth.*

Gabriel: This baby is very special. He will be called Emmanuel. Emmanuel which means God with us. You got that?

Joseph: Yes. Yes. The baby will be called Emmanuel which means God with us. Eh wait a minute. Is it really God with us?

Gabriel: Of course! He is God's son. You will get married with Mary and name the baby 'Jesus' because when this baby grows up, he will save people from their sins. That's what Jesus means 'the Lord saves'.

*Gabriel exits scene dramatically. While more attention is focused on him, Joseph goes back to sleep. <play snoring sound effect>*

*Joseph wakes up. Angels change the 'television' channel.*

Joseph: Golly! That was such an amazing message! God is going to be with us here on Earth! WOW! Emmanuel. God with us! Our big powerful God coming down to Earth to save us from our sins! WOW! This is amazing!

*Angels turn off the television. <play television off sound>*

Reading/30 second devotional teaching.



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