

# Right Left Christmas Game

## Based On The Nativity Story

In those days, Caesar Augustus decided to count everyone **LEFT** living in the whole Roman world. Joseph **LEFT**, taking Mary with him **RIGHT** to his town of Bethlehem to register.

When they arrived, there were no rooms **LEFT**. All of the inns in Bethlehem were **RIGHT** full. There was just nowhere **LEFT** for them to stay. Finally, someone offered to let them stay **RIGHT** in their stable.

Mary was pregnant and while in Bethlehem the **RIGHT** time came for her to give birth. She gave birth to a boy **RIGHT** there. **RIGHT** there in a Bethlehem stable, the Savior of the world was born. Mary wrapped him with **LEFT** over strips of cloth and laid him **RIGHT** in a manger.

Some shepherds who lived **RIGHT** near Bethlehem, were out at night **RIGHT** in their fields watching over their sheep. **RIGHT** then, they saw a bright light. The light was so bright that they had to close their eyes. When they opened them again, a beautiful angel was standing **RIGHT** in the sky **RIGHT** above them with his arms **LEFT** opened wide. The shepherds looked **RIGHT** at each other and were **LEFT** feeling very afraid.

Then the angel spoke **RIGHT** to them. "Do not be afraid. I'm **RIGHT** here to bring you the good news **LEFT** for all people. Today **RIGHT** in Bethlehem a baby has been born, He is the **RIGHT** one, the one that will save the world. You will know the **RIGHT** baby because He will be **LEFT** wrapped in cloths, and laying **RIGHT** in a manger."

**RIGHT** then, a large group of angels appeared **RIGHT** there, and they said, "Glory to God, and peace be to all people **LEFT** on the earth."

The shepherds were **LEFT** amazed and excited. They had to go **RIGHT** away to see this baby the angels were talking about.

They **LEFT** as fast as they could, and soon found Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus **RIGHT** were the angels said they would be. The shepherds fell **RIGHT** to their knees when they saw Jesus, and were **LEFT** filled with joy that they had found the Savior. They stayed for a short time and then **LEFT**. As soon as they **LEFT** they began shouting **RIGHT** in the streets and telling everyone **LEFT** in town about what they had seen.

**RIGHT** after Jesus was born, wise men traveling **RIGHT** on their camels noticed a very strange star **RIGHT** in the sky. They knew that the **RIGHT** One who would save the world had been born.

**RIGHT** away King Herod got very worried. He assembled all of the important people **LEFT** in the area and asked them where this baby had been born. The people replied, "**RIGHT** in Bethlehem."

**RIGHT** then King Herod called the wise men to meet with him **RIGHT** away. He asked them to go and find the child **RIGHT** away. "**RIGHT** as soon as you find Him," he said, "tell me, so that I can go to Him **RIGHT** away and worship Him."

After the wise men spoke to the King, they **LEFT** to find the baby. They didn't know **RIGHT** where the He was, but followed the star **LEFT** in the east until it hung **RIGHT** over the place where Jesus was. When they found Jesus, and they bowed **RIGHT** down and worshiped him.

**RIGHT** after that, they opened the gifts they had brought Jesus... gold, frankincense and myrrh. Then they **LEFT** to find a place to sleep for the night.

That night the wise men all had the same dream **RIGHT** as they were sleeping. They were not to go **RIGHT** back and tell King Herod where they had found Jesus. King Herod wanted to kill Jesus because he was jealous of Him. So, the wise men **LEFT** for home another way so that Herod would not know the **RIGHT** direction they had come from. They also decided **RIGHT** then that they would not tell King Herod anything about what they had seen.

When the wise men **LEFT**, an angel appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Arise, take Jesus and Mary, and run **RIGHT** to Egypt. Joseph got up **RIGHT** away and woke up Mary. She quickly picked Jesus **RIGHT** up and they **LEFT** in the middle of the night for Egypt where they would be safe.

**RIGHT** after King Herod died an angel appeared again **RIGHT** away to Joseph and told him to go **RIGHT** to a place called Nazareth. And that's **RIGHT** where Jesus grew up.

