## ALL AGE CHRISTMAS SCRIPT



## Cold Feet

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## Characters

- S1 Nathaniel
- S2 Shadrach
- S3 Esau

Enter stage right S1 & S2

- S1 Come on, you two we're nearly there now.
- S2 Are you sure this is the right way, Nathaniel? It seems a bit quiet for a place where a new King has been born.
- Well, Shadrach, the angel said we'd find him lying in a manger. So that means it's got to be a place that has animals, and I know that there are some stables not far from here. (Looks around) Hang on where's Esau?

Both start shouting 'Esau, Esau!' Esau enters hurriedly from stage right.

- S2 Where have you been? Don't you know we're in a hurry?
- S3 I'm sorry, lads, but I just had to stop a minute.
- S1 Don't tell me your feet were cold again and you needed to put your socks on!
- S1 & S2 both point at socks and start laughing
- S2 Whoever heard of a shepherd wearing socks! You know, people think you're crazy!
- I don't care what people think. I could never sleep before when my feet were so cold. And then one night one of the sheep snuggled down on my feet. It made them so cosy and warm that I took some wool home to my mother and she knitted me my socks. I think they're great. (Does a bit of a dance!)
- S1 And you think it's proper to wear those sock-things to visit this baby King?
- S3 Well, they are clean.
- We know that, Esau, because you missed the whole spectacular angel thing while you were down at the stream washing your socks!



- Yes, but he couldn't keep wearing them like they were! He said he'd trodden in something but I'm not sure if the smell was on the outside or coming from the inside!
- I did tread in something. And anyway so what if I missed the angels? I'm here now. And you never know, it may well be that people down the centuries will especially remember me and my socks
- Oh yeah I can hear it now! (Sings) 'While shepherds washed their socks by night ...' As if!! Anyway, enough of this sock washing nonsense we've got a special mission to fulfil.
- S2 Yes that's right. God has revealed to us the birthplace of the Saviour of the world!
- It's amazing, isn't it! The whole of our nation has been waiting for the coming of the Messiah. But instead of this news being told to King Herod or to the priests and Pharisees, God decided to tell us shepherds first!
- And normally we're the last to hear anything. Usually by the time any news reaches our hills it's already yesterday's bagel paper!
- You're right there, Esau. It was weeks before we heard that David Shecham had transferred from Jerusalem United to Jericho Vale.
- So then it's really, really, really important that we get this right, because it feels as if the whole world is waiting to hear this news and that they are relying on us to tell it.

S3 starts to move stage left - looks back to see S1 & S2 haven't moved.

- Come on, then let's get going! If this is such an important job, we'd best get on with it. After all, it would be very rude to be late for a King.
- S2 I can't. (Starts shaking to show nerves)
- S1 Me neither it's just too big a responsibility. What if we mess up?
- S3 Oh, you two! You know what your problem is, don't you?
- S1 No what?

S3 pulls two pairs of socks from his pocket

S3 COLD FEET!

S1 & S2 quickly pull on socks and they all head off stage left.

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