

# Audition Script for the Shepherd

**SHEPHERD** is a real high-strung, big fellow. His first response is amusing terror. He is rather hyper in his responses. "Rocky" would be one of his folk heros.

- Stage:** The Shepherd is alone on stage - really into reading his Field and Stream magazine. He is on the floor, roasting a hot dog on a stick over a still smouldering burnt bush.  
(a small singed Christmas tree with no needles)  
Once Gabe get's across the stage, he taps him from behind on the shoulder. The Shepherd is scared into a yell!
- Minstrels:** (Luke 2:8,9) *"And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them and they were terrified."*
- Shepherd** (Stands up over Gabe, intimidating him) WA! Hey pal, who do you think you are doing sneaking up on a perfect stranger? (Pointing into his chest) I hope you have a good answer. Are you trying to steal my sheep?
- Gabe** (Scared) No Mr. Shepherd, I am not a rustler. And sir, it has taken me nine months to find you. (To the audience) "And they call this a Smart Phone..."  
NOT: You know someone should really take a look at how these maps are put together I mean, really, does this even remotely resemble a \_\_\_\_\_? But, I have a telegram? Could I read it please? (Deep breath...)

Gabe (Reading from Telegram in a Loud Narrator type voice) To Mr. Shepherd, stop. From God, stop. Do not be afraid, stop. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people, stop.

(Gabe keeps looking to check on the shepherd's responses.)

Gabe cont... Today, in the town of David a Savior has been born to you, stop. He is Christ the Lord, stop. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger, stop, end. (changes his voice to be very friendly ) And hey listen this one is on me okay... (back to loud Narrator voice) and have a nice day. Stop.

**Shepherd** Let me see that thing. (Shepherd grabs telegram, mumbles as he is reading it.) How do I know this is legit?

Angel Well sir, how about checking it out for yourself?

**Shepherd** All right my flighty little friend, but you are coming with me and the boys, and you better be right. (As they leave the "Theme from Rocky" is played.)