

Audition Script 8 – Joseph

As Mary sings, she moves away from the hay, Joseph appears on stage (leading a “packed” donkey), if donkey is not available, hand-in-hand, Mary and Joseph move down the ramp, toward the fire pit area. Shepherds (with sheep and staffs) take their places by the stable unit. There is Music underscore that continues past the singing, and during that Joseph and Mary encounter the Family by the fire pit area.

Grampa: Greetings!

Joseph: Shalom! Do you know how much farther it is to Bethlehem?

Becky: *(jumping up and pointing stage left)* **Oh, it’s just a little way.**
(stands by Grampa)

Joseph: I thought we’d be there by now, but our going has been slow. My wife is near the time of her delivery.

Grampa: It’s very busy these days. Lots of traffic on the roads, what with the tax census and all.

Lisa: *(to Mary)* **Your baby is so special.**

Mary: *(chucking, to Lisa)* **How do you know that?**

Lisa: *(to Mary, suddenly a little bashful)* **Oh, I just know. We’ve waited for Him for a long time.** *(Becky moves down toward the donkey and Joseph as Lisa begins to speak.)*

Mary stretches up to touch Lisa’s cheek lightly as Lisa hands her the bouquet of flowers she gathered previously. Becky tugs at Joseph’s coat insistently...

Becky: *(enthusiastically)* **You could stay here for the night.**

Joseph: *(smiling...)* **Thank you, but we must be in Bethlehem.** *(song continues)*