Scene 2: The Journey

THE DECREE - Koenig Family home video Emperor's Emissary #1 Molly:

Emperor Augustus orders a census to be taken...

Emperor's Emissary #2 Bridget:

...throughout the Roman Empire.

Emperor's Emissary #3 Isabel:

Everyone must register themselves in their hometown.

ARRIVING IN BETHLEHEM - Egly Family home video Townsperson #1 Kevin and Matt:

Joseph went from the town called Nazareth in Galilee...

Townsperson #2 Angela and Adam:

...to the town of Bethlehem in Judea, the birthplace of King David.

Townsperson #3 Chris and Grace:

He went to register with Mary...

Townsperson #4 Grace:

...who was promised to marry him.

Narrator #1:

When they arrived in Bethlehem, Mary and Joseph knocked on every door in the town.

Narrator #2:

They were looking for a place to stay, but everywhere was full of people.

Joseph:

We've traveled so far, our journey's been long,

Mary:

but now we're in Bethlehem where we belong!

Joseph:

I'm full of frustration!

Donkey with attitude:

Did you have a reservation??

Mary directly to camera,:

Can you help us, please, we've no place to stay.

NO ROOM AT THE INN: Specht Family home video

Innkeeper #1 Addison S. arms crossed, angry face, loudly:

There isn't room here!

Innkeeper #2 R.J. Specht loudly, pointing away:

You must go away!

Narrator #1:

At each inn, they were given the same answer. Lots of people came down to be counted, so the whole town was full.

Narrator #2:

There were so many families to accommodate. Mary and Joseph nearly gave up!

THE COW'S BRIGHT IDEA: Jones Family home video Cow #1 Charlotte:

We've got a place where you can all sleep.

Cow #2 Anthony and Donovan:

The stable is warm! The hay is so deep!

MAKING ROOM IN THE STABLE: Stevens Family home video Cow #3 Jacob:

It's clean and it's dry, with no sign of danger.

Cow #4 Rylie:

When your baby is born, he can rest in our manger!

NO ROOM AT THE INN, CONTINUED: Specht Family home video

Innkeepers look at one another, whisper in each others ears, then turn to face camera with a big nod up and down, "yes"!

Innkeeper #1 Addison S. nodding yes:

If it's okay with the animals...

Addison puts her arm around RJ

Innkeeper #2 R.J. S. nodding yes:

...it's okay with us!

HYMN: O Little Town of Bethlehem vs. 3