What kind of King has been born?
PUPPET SCRIPT: “WHAT KIND OF KING HAS BEEN BORN?”  
(PCC005)

Aim of script: To encourage people to think again about the amazing way that Jesus the King came into the world.

Use of Script: This script works as a “stand-alone” piece in a Carol service or a Crib service. In an All Age Worship Service setting, this script could be preceded by inviting people to think about how they would prepare for a royal birth.

The script could be followed by a time of worshipping Jesus the King, who was willing to leave the glory of heaven to come to earth.

Main themes: Christmas, Incarnation, King Jesus


Characters: The script is a dialogue between a male camel puppet called “Cameron,” who is rather grumpy, and his wife, a female camel puppet called “Camilla.” Each puppet is operated by one person from behind a screen and so it is essential that the voices are heard; radio-microphones are ideal. Puppets and puppet screens can be purchased from many sources including http://www.onewayuk.com/

Enter Cameron
Cameron: Camilla, Camilla…..oh where is that woman when I need her?

Enter Camilla
Camilla: Hello Cameron, what is the matter? I was just catching up with all the news from Humphrey. You sound in a bit of a grump tonight.

Cameron: My feet hurt, my legs hurt, my humps hurt, my neck hurts and I have a headache. I’ve had too much sun today, yesterday and for the last few weeks.

Camilla: I know Cameron, mine do too…..but we are on such an exciting journey.

Cameron: Exciting!! Is that what you call it? Following a star that keeps moving…..I’ve had enough of this nonsense.

Camilla: Oh come on Cameron…..where’s your sense of adventure?

Cameron: Hmmmmph

Camilla: The food should be pretty special tonight……we are at least staying in King Herod’s stables.

Cameron: Mmmm I suppose so…..but there again the food might be terrible…..

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Camilla: Sometimes Cameron you are the most negative camel I know….now listen to me. We are staying at the King’s place tonight here in Jerusalem. It wouldn’t surprise me if we didn’t get our water in pure gold bowls and our meal on pure gold plates and then brushed down with pure gold brushes.

Cameron: Oh do be quiet you romantic old camel or I’ll spit!….aaaah *(makes a gargling noise as if about to spit)*

Camilla: Cameron Camel stop! You definitely will not spit in these stables….they are far too beautiful to behave like that in. Anyway they might have CCTV in them and what do you think King Herod would do to a spitting camel?

Cameron: Probably chop off his head knowing this King.

Camilla: Quite. I gather he has quite a reputation for being cruel to people, so who knows what he would do to a spitting camel?

Cameron: Alright I won’t spit then…

Camilla: Good. You know I feel sorry for the people living here under such a cruel king as Herod. They all seem to live in fear from what I’ve seen.

Cameron: Hmm…. Camilla: It gets you thinking Cameron about what the king just born in Bethlehem will be like.

Cameron: Bethlehem……what are you talking about now?

Camilla: I’m sorry Cameron I haven’t told you yet. Humphrey told me earlier that we’re off to Bethlehem tomorrow to find the new king who has just been born.

Cameron: Oh no… not more travelling…..I’ve told you Camilla I’ve had enough of this star following nonsense!

Camilla: Maybe…..but think for a moment what this new king will be like….

Cameron: If you insist

Camilla: I insist……I wonder if the new king will be cruel like King Herod when he grows up or whether he will be different somehow.

Cameron: Well He’ll be powerful……that’s for sure….all kings are.

Camilla: I wonder if the new king will really care for his people or just care about himself.

Cameron: Oh come on Camilla, he’ll care for himself……they all do. He’ll do what he wants, when he wants and how he wants.

Camilla: I don’t know about that Cameron. I have a feeling in my humps that this king might be different.
Cameron: He'll be the same as the rest, mark my words. Born in luxury, living in luxury and ignoring the likes of you and me.

Camilla: Cameron camel you talk such nonsense....of course he'll ignore us....we're only camels! But there is something that has got our masters so excited about this king that they were willing to follow that star for all these weeks.

Cameron: And don't I know it.....my feet hurt, my legs hurt....

Camilla: Yes dear and your humps hurt and your neck hurts and you have a headache. I have heard. It will be different in a couple of days' time when we arrive in Bethlehem.

Cameron: What do you mean?

Camilla: We'll be staying in the exotic stables of the palace where the new king has been born.....and there you'll be able to have a nice long rest while our masters are well wined and dined.

Cameron: That sounds good....a nice long rest....

Camilla: Yes Cameron camel

Cameron: and be pampered with special foods

Camilla: Oh yes dear

Cameron: And sleep on a feather and down bed

Camilla: Absolutely dear

Cameron: And enjoy the luxuries of celebrating a new king's birth

Camilla: Definitely dear.....

Cameron: Perhaps I'll follow the star after all and come with you tomorrow to the palace in Bethlehem.

Exit Camilla and Cameron