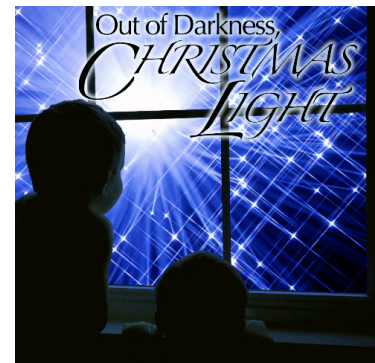


## Out of Darkness, Christmas Light by Sarah Clark

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### Snippets of Songs

#### Where Does Light Begin?

Where does light begin? Where does it all come from?  
How can we have daytime? How can we have sun?  
The answer's written out there in the deep blue starry sky.  
Listen to the secret, the secret of the light.

The sun will rise in the morning,  
and make our days shine bright.  
As the world just keeps on spinning  
we'll turn around once more,  
back into the darkness of the night.

#### Winter Nights

Winter nights have many lights.  
How many can you see?  
Each one has a special job.  
How many can there be?

Head lights, street lights, torch lights, fog lights,  
house lights, traffic lights, cycle lights and shop lights.

#### All Are Beautiful

Some lights flash and some lights shine.  
I like the lights at Christmas time.  
Some are all silver, some are all gold,  
all are beautiful to me.

Red and orange and yellow and blue,  
shine in the dark for me and for you.  
All the colours on the Christmas tree,  
all are beautiful to me.

#### Candle Song

Shining, shining, burning everywhere.  
Shining, shining, lighting up the air.

Flickering flame, so gentle and so small,  
lighting up a spark of hope today.  
Creeping round, twisting up and turning down,  
chasing all the darkness away.

#### Joseph, Oh Joseph

Joseph, Oh Joseph, take Mary to Bethlehem now.  
Pack up your donkey and find shelter there somehow.  
Love her, keep her, protect her,  
be gentle and very, very kind,  
for she is precious of all women  
to give birth to the son of all mankind.

#### Star Song

A star, shining in the sky  
over the stable, now tell me why.  
Shine on star in the sky,  
bright light way up on high,  
showing everyone the way to discover  
where little baby Jesus lay.

#### Do Not Be Afraid

Do not be afraid!  
I've got news for you!  
There is great joy coming,  
for people like you.

Today in the City of David,  
a deliverer is born.  
He is the Messiah, the Lord,  
the King of Jews  
and this will be your sign;

#### Long Ago

Long ago in times of darkness,  
when the world was full of sin,  
came the promise of salvation,  
to light up the dark within.

Light of the world shine  
all through the night,  
out of the darkness  
into the light.

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### KS1 Scene Synopsis

Scene One: Bedtime	Children's bedroom. Susie, Ben, Mum and Angel Gabe. Song 1 – <b>Where Does Light Begin</b> – Everyone. Song 2 – <b>Winter Nights</b> – Everyone with Torch Dancers. Song 3 – <b>All Are Beautiful</b> – Everyone. Song 4 – <b>Candle Song</b> – Everyone with Candle Dancers.
Scene Two: Nazareth	Mary and Joseph are on different sides of the stage. Narrator 1 explains scene. Angel Gabe appears to Mary and then to Joseph. Song 5 – <b>Joseph, Oh Joseph</b> – Everyone. Mary, Joseph and Donkey leave for Bethlehem.
Scene Three: Bethlehem	Narrator 2 explains scene. The Innkeeper shows Mary, Joseph and Donkey to the stable. Song 6 – <b>Star Song</b> – First part sung by Stars, second part by soloist or small choir.
Scene Four: Shepherds and Wise Men	Narrator 3 explains about the Shepherds. Shepherds and lambs are on a hillside. Angel Gabe explains to the children about his job appearing to the Shepherds. Song 7 – <b>Do Not Be Afraid</b> – Everyone. Angel Gabe and Angels appear to the Shepherds. Shepherds go to the stable. Narrator 5 introduces the Wise Men. Song 8 – <b>Star Song Reprise</b> – First part sung by Stars, second part by soloist or small choir. The three Wise Men go to present their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to baby Jesus.
Finale:	Narrator 5 brings the Christmas story to an end. Back in the bedroom Angel Gabe, Susie and Ben bring their story to an end. Song 9 – <b>Long Ago</b> – Everyone. All the characters join the stable scene.

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### KS2 Scene Synopsis

Scene One: Bedtime	Children's bedroom. Susie, Ben, Mum and Angel Gabe. Song 1 – <b>Where Does Light Begin</b> – Everyone. Song 2 – <b>Winter Nights</b> – Everyone with Torch Dancers. Song 3 – <b>All Are Beautiful</b> – Everyone. Song 4 – <b>Candle Song</b> – Everyone with Candle Dancers.
Scene Two: Nazareth	Mary and Joseph are on different sides of the stage. Lead Herald 1 explains scene. Angel Gabe appears to Mary and then to Joseph. Song 5 – <b>Joseph, Oh Joseph</b> – Everyone or possible solo for Angel Gabe. Mary, Joseph and Donkey travel around room.
Scene Three: Bethlehem	The Heralds introduce the scene. Joseph asks Innkeepers 1, 2, 3 and 4 (Jim) for a room. Jim shows Mary, Joseph and Donkey to the stable.
Scene Four: Shepherds	Heralds proclaim the arrival of Jesus and the star above the stable. Mary, Joseph and Donkey settle into the stable, Mary cradles a baby. Song 6 – <b>Star Song</b> – First part sung by Stars, second part by soloist or small choir. Angel Gabe explains to the children about his job appearing to the Shepherds. Comedy scene with Narrators 1, 2 and 3 and Shepherds 1, 2 and 3 on the hillside plus other Shepherds. Angel Gabe and Angels appear to the Shepherds announcing Jesus' birth. Song 7 – <b>Do Not Be Afraid</b> – Angel Gabe and Angels. Song and dance routine. Shepherds go to the stable.
Scene Five: Wise Men	Jerusalem. Narrator 4 introduces the Wise Men. Wise Man 1, 2 and 3 arrive in Jerusalem. Herod's Messenger takes the Wise Men to Herod in his throne room. The Professor reads the prophecy. Song 8 – <b>Star Song Reprise</b> – First part sung by Stars, second part by soloist or small choir. The Wise Men go to the stable and present their gifts to baby Jesus.
Finale:	Lead Herald brings the Christmas story to an end. Back in the bedroom Angel Gabe, Susie and Ben bring their story to an end. Song 9 – <b>Long Ago</b> – Everyone. All the characters join the stable scene.

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### Snippets of Script

#### From Key Stage One Script

##### **Song: Joseph, Oh Joseph**

*(During last verse Joseph collects Mary and the donkey and they walk to the innkeeper)*

##### **Scene Three – Bethlehem**

Narrator 2            The rooms in Bethlehem were all full that night, but one kind innkeeper gave them a stable round the back of his inn.

*(Innkeeper shows Mary, Joseph and Donkey into the stable. Mary sits down and cradles a baby)*

Narrator 2            Jesus was born in the night.  
A special star lit up the sky above the stable as a sign to show where Jesus had been born.

##### **Song: Star Song**

*(The shepherds with their toy lambs meet together on the side of the stage looking at the star)*

##### **Scene Four – Shepherds and Wise Men**

Narrator 3            On a nearby hillside a group of shepherds were watching their sheep.  
Suddenly a very bright light lit up the sky and an Angel told them the good news about Jesus being born.

*(The angels, including Angel Gabe, appear to the shepherds)*

Angel Gabe            Well, when I appeared to the shepherds you should have seen their faces! They'd never  
*(speaking to the children from the stage)*            seen such a bright light! Still, I had my job to do – so this is what I said.

##### **Song: Do Not Be Afraid**

Narrator 3            The Star in the sky led the shepherds to baby Jesus.

*(Angels exit stage, Angel Gabe returns to the bedroom and the shepherds walk over to the stable)*

Narrator 4            Three Wise Men also followed the Star.  
They came from the East in search of the new born King.  
When they arrived they brought some special gifts.

*(During Star Song Reprise the Wise Men walk to the stable and present their gifts to Jesus)*

##### **Song: Star Song Reprise**

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### Snippets of Script

#### From Key Stage One and Key Stage Two Scripts

Ben                    When will it be morning?

Susie                 When the daylight comes.

Ben                    Who switches the daylight on?

Susie                 Nobody silly, it just comes.

Ben                    Where from?

Susie                 From...well, I'm not quite sure really. Where does light begin?

*(Angel Gabe appears)*

Susie & Ben         Who are you?  
*(scream)*

Angel Gabe         I'm a messenger. I'm called Angel Gabe and I have come to answer your questions.

Susie                 You must know all about light if you're an angel. So where does it all begin then?

#### **Song: Where Does Light Begin?**

Susie                 Wow! Look outside – there are lots of lights, but the sun isn't shining!

Angel Gabe         No, all the lights are different – some use power from electricity, some from batteries or even gas to shine their lights at night. All lights have a special job to do. Can you count how many different lights you can see?

#### **Song: Winter Nights**

And there he was,  
the most precious gift of all – Jesus.  
Sent to us from God just like Angel Gabe told Mary, Joseph and the shepherds.  
And God said "He is the Light of the World".

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### Snippets of Script

#### From Key Stage Two Script

Narrator 1	And there were shepherds abiding in the fields...
Narrator 2	And there were shepherds abiding in the fields...
Narrator 3 <i>(annoyed almost shouting)</i>	And there were shepherds abiding in the fields...so shepherds where are you?
Shepherd 1 <i>(off stage)</i>	Er.Sorry...we didn't know what "abiding" meant.
Narrator 1	What do you mean you don't know what it means?
Shepherd 1	Well we're just simple shepherds; we don't know clever words like that... What does it mean?
Narrator 2	Well it means... Well, just being there.
Shepherd 2	Just being where?
Narrator 3 <i>(annoyed)</i>	In the fields.
Shepherd 3	Why didn't you just say that in the first place instead of confusing us like that?
Narrator 1 <i>(exasperated)</i>	OK...OK. I'm sorry but look...when I say "and there were shepherds ABIDING in the fields" it means you should be in the fields and as the fields are over here...you just get here...got it?
Shepherd 1	Alright, alright...no need to get your microphone cable twisted. We've got that haven't we?
Shepherd 1 & 2	Yeah, got that.
Shepherd 3	Yeah <i>(slowly)</i> ...got what?
Narrator 2 <i>(trying not to be cross)</i>	Good... so let's try again... <i>(clears throat)</i> ... And there were shepherds abiding in the fields...
Narrator 2	...Keeping watch over their flock by night.
Shepherd 2	I'm bored.