

The team has just entered the locker room after a comeback victory in their hockey game.

Sidney	I can't believe we won. And coach, we owe it all to you - you're our savior!
Phil	Yeah, our savior. Thanks coach.
Coach	Hold on there. Everyone listen up for a minute. You all learned to play as a team tonight. All I did was help you bring your talents together. I'm just a coach, not a savior, not even close. The only Savior out there is Jesus Christ. He's the one that saves.
Dany	Jesus? He's a goalie, right? Who does he play for?
Ryan	Yeah, and how many saves does he have?
Coach	No. Jesus is not a goalie but He does play for all of us...and He's got a LOT of saves.
Cal	We don't get it coach. What do you mean?
Coach	<i>Grabs a marker and goes over to white board.</i> We have no games or practice starting tomorrow for the next week. Anyone know why?
Niklas	It's Christmas vacation.
Coach	Right. Christmas... And Christmas is really all about Jesus. <i>Pause of quiet and they all look quizzically at coach</i> Let me explain. <i>Speaks very fast and writes furiously on whiteboard explaining the Christmas story using X's and O's. As he dialogs and draws he places the X's and O's and lines to outline a cross. It is not obvious until the end of the dialog as he then connects them and it looks like a cross (see scene video for details).</i> Ok. We know that the only true real God is the one described in the bible. And He exists as three in one - God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - Three in one. And He pulled the biggest hat trick ever when He created the heavens and the earth and created

mankind. But man messed up and sinned so he was separated from God.

But God loved us so much that He executed the biggest **power play** ever when He sent His son Jesus to be born on the earth to come and pay for our sins.

And he wasn't born in a palace or the **Excel Energy Center** or **Madison Square Garden's** but instead in a lonely dirty manger in Bethlehem.

Forget the **Miracle on Ice** this was the miracle in Bethlehem.

And there were these shepherds in a field watching sheep and an angel from the Lord appeared to them not with **Red Wings** but bright white wings and told them the good news of the birth of Gods Son in Bethlehem.

And there were also some Kings – **Not LA Kings** but real kings – Magi from the Far East who came from afar to bring gifts to the new born Messiah. They didn't know how to get there but there was a special star in the sky and it was not from **Dallas** but from God that led these Wise men across the land to where Jesus born.

But there was another king named Herad who was evil – and he asked the wise men how to find the child so he could also worship him too - but he really wanted to kill the child. So the Wise men ran **interference** and **deked** out Herod and **changed on the fly** sending the evil king in the wrong direction.

And Jesus was safe and went on live a life with no **penalties** – that is no sin, and then died on a cross to pay for our sins and claim victory over death.

You see with His **game plan** He defeated the enemy – not the **New Jersey Devils** but the real Devil.

God **pulled the goalie**, and with **a one-timer** He **buried the biscuit, hit the five-hole** and **scored the winning goal!**

His victorious blood has the power to clean away our sins better than any **Zamboni can clean the ice!**

Game Over – Amen!

Finally he finishes up.

That's what Christmas is all about. Any questions?

Looks around a bit and pauses.

Great. I gotta get back to coaches' room. Good job tonight everyone. See you after Christmas breakfast.

Coach leaves locker room. Everyone is quiet for a moment and looks puzzled.