



Weeks of Dec. 5—Dec. 16

## 'Twas The Night Before Jesus Came

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'Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house  
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house  
Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care  
In hopes that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed.  
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.  
And Mom in her rocker with baby on her lap  
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter.  
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!

When what to my wondering eyes should appear  
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here.  
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray  
I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!

The light of His face made me cover my head  
It was Jesus! returning just like He had said.  
And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,  
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which He held in His hand  
Was written the name of every saved man.  
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name;  
When He said "it's not here" my head hung in shame.

The people whose names had been written with love  
He gathered to take to His Father above.  
With those who were ready He rose without a sound.  
While all the rest were left standing around.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late;  
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.  
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;  
Oh, if only I had been ready tonight.

In the words of this poem the meaning is clear;  
The coming of Jesus is drawing near.  
There's only one life and when comes the last call  
We'll find that the Bible was true after all!

## Class News

- Dec. 8- Bring Sack Lunch – Field Trip
- Dec. 8- 6:30p.m. Concert and Program
- Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> Crafts (supplies needed)
- Dec. 13- Celebration for Kyle winning 1<sup>st</sup> place in the RC Spelling Bee
- Dec. 14- Spirit Day "Bring a Stuffed Animal"
- Dec. 16- Mattson's Class Party

Sign up by e-mailing me [amattson@rainiercsd.org](mailto:amattson@rainiercsd.org)

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>** : Breakfast food items (mini pancakes, mini waffles, syrup, eggbake, OJ, Caprisun, fruit, mini donuts, cinnamon rolls, and bacon/sausage (for microwave)

\*\*Need ideas for games...word scramble, word charades, part of speech war, draw it...

**Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>** : Snack Day (NO CHIPS / NO SODA) festive napkins and cups, pretzels, fruit \*bananas, Caprisun, fruit punch, veggies, popcorn, string cheese, crackers, cookies, jello, Gogurt, Chexmix, granola bars, hummus and pita chip are OK, candy canes, and Special K fruit thins...

**Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>** : Book report on a novel (150+ pgs.) Use the same book report options as before. Another copy is attached to this e-mail.

### Supplies needed for the Dec. 12-16<sup>th</sup> crafts:

- \*16 toilet paper cardboard tubes
- \*1 small box of tinsel
- \*sm. or med. glass bulbs (on sale at Joann's 60% off)
- \*fine-size glitter...blue, green, red, silver, gold (small amounts)
- \*16 medium paper cups for a snowman craft

*Happy Holidays  
May God bless your travels.*