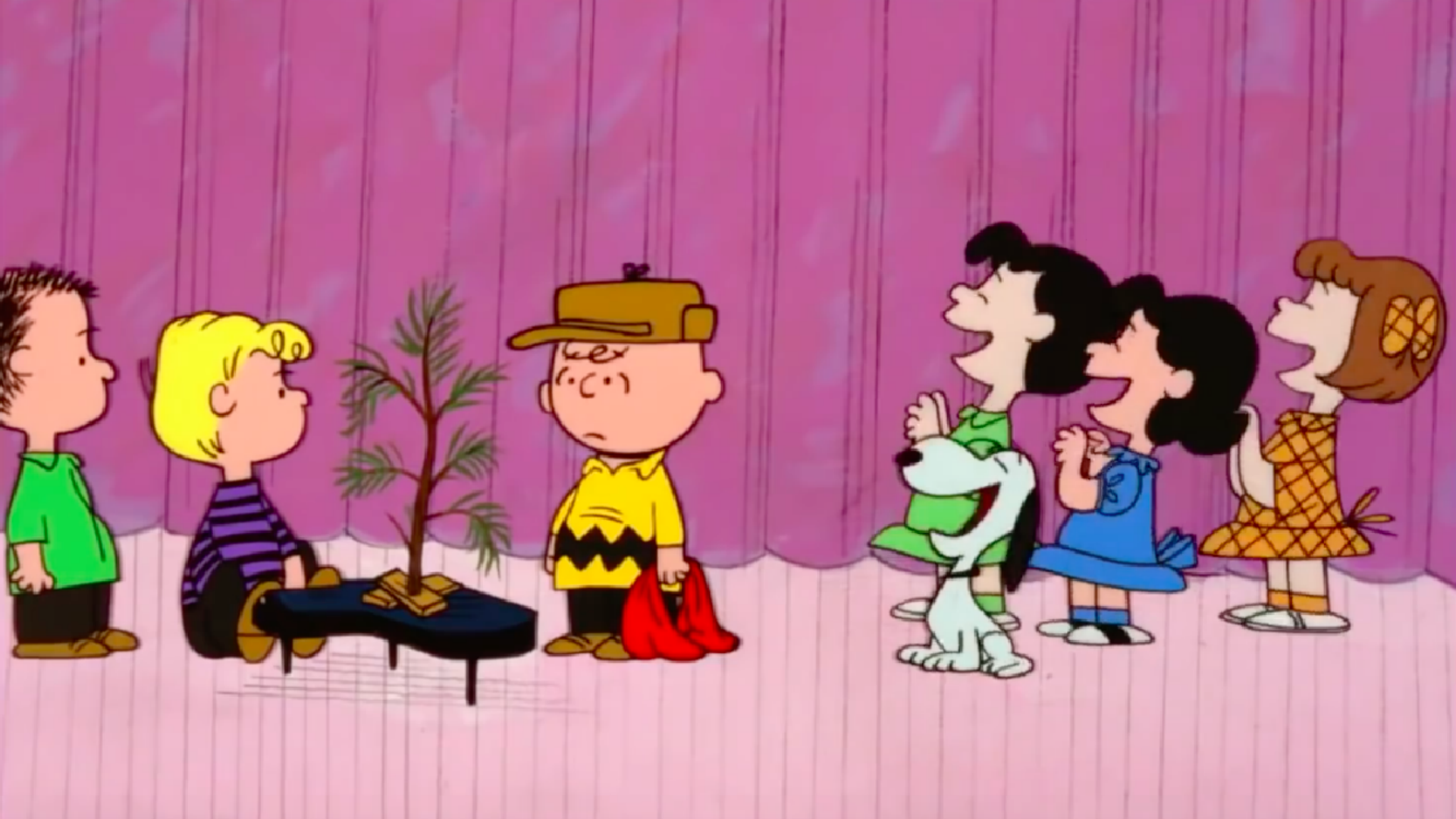
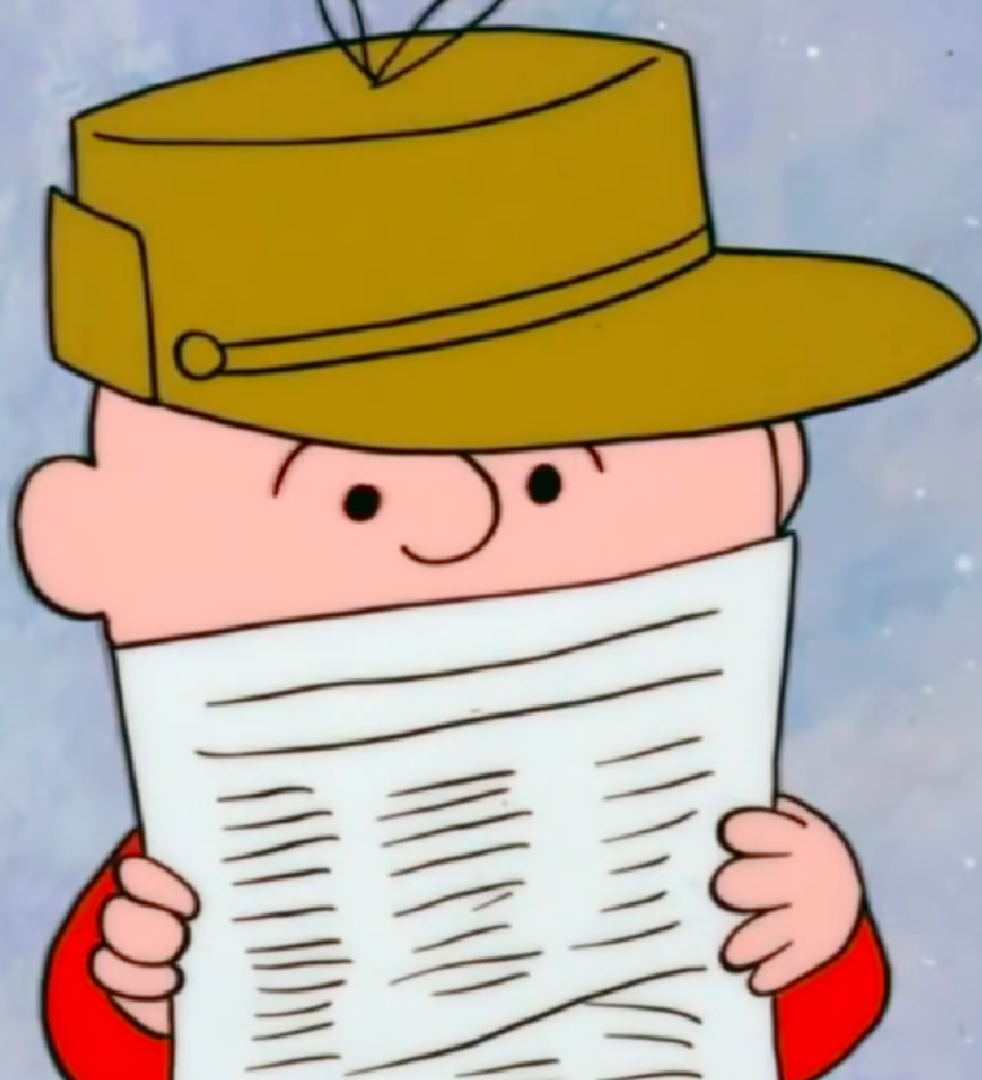


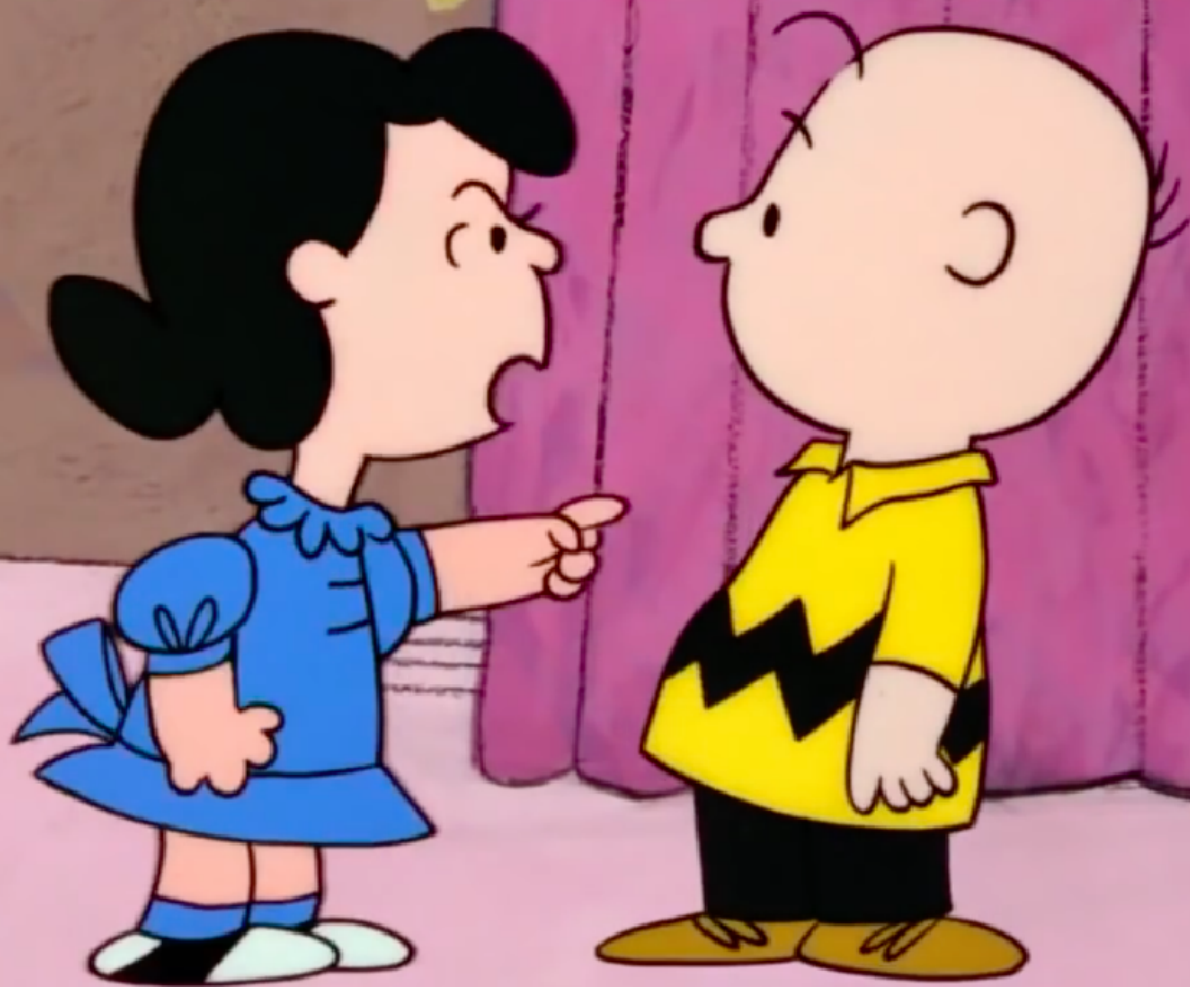


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Luke 2:2-5

In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to their own town to register.

Luke 2:2-5 (con't)

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child.

Nazareth

This is an aerial photograph of a region in the Middle East, likely the West Bank. A yellow line traces a path from Nazareth in the north to Bethlehem in the south. The terrain is a mix of green hills and brown, arid-looking areas. A large body of water is visible on the left side of the frame. The text 'Nazareth' is written in white next to a red dot at the northern end of the yellow line.

90 miles

Bethlehem

Luke 2:6-7

While they were there (Bethlehem), the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.

Luke 2:8

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.

SHEPHERDS OF THE TIME WERE CONSIDERED TO BE:

- UNREMARKABLE
- UNRELIABLE
- UNDESIRABLE

Luke 2:9

An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.



Luke 2:10-12

But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

DO NOT BE AFRAID

DO NOT BE AFRAID...

A SAVIOR HAS BEEN BORN

JESUS CAME TO THE WORLD
TO RESCUE US...

TO SAVE US



Luke 2:13-14

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

THE ANGEL'S SONG...

- REMINDS US TO PRAISE
GOD

THE ANGEL'S SONG...

- REMINDS US TO PRAISE
GOD
- REMINDS US THAT GOD
GIVES PEACE

Luke 2:15

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

Luke 2:16-18

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them.

ARE YOU OPEN TO
ALLOWING JESUS TO BRING
PEACE INTO YOUR LIFE?



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