

**Holly Bush** Well, maybe those acts will have made it into the charts – we'll have to wait and see! But first on tonight's show, in at number seven it's.....Gabriel's Soul Patrol!

*(As the crowd cheers and applauds, Gabriel's Soul Patrol enter and take their positions on the main stage. As well as a miming band (see below), Gabriel has a group of angel backing-singers. They are all joined by another presenter, Chris Cracker.)*

**Note - as there will be a number of acts taking to the stage in succession, if possible a drum kit, a couple of keyboards and some microphones on stands should remain on stage throughout the show. Guitarists and brass players etc, along with a drummer and keyboard players for each act, can mime to the backing tracks as the featured lead and backing singers (including your choir/ensembles of course) sing the songs.**

**Sam Frost** And before they perform, Gabriel's Soul Patrol are going to have a little chat with our own Chris Cracker! Over to you, Chris.

**Chris Cracker** Thanks Sam. So Gabriel, in at number seven – you must be delighted with that chart position. Tell me a bit about the song.

**Gabriel** Thanks Chris. This song is about how I visited a young woman called Mary at her home in Nazareth, and told her about a special job she was being given.

**Backing Singer** In fact, Mary's here tonight! Why don't we bring her on stage?

**Chris Cracker** Great idea! Mary, please come and join us! *(Mary enters to applause.)*  
Mary, great to see you. Tell me, what was this 'job' you were given?

**Mary** I was told by Gabriel that God wanted me to be the mother of His son. I was to call Him Jesus and He would grow up to be a great man!

**Chris Cracker** Wow! And how did you feel about that, Mary?

**Mary** Are you serious?! How do you think I felt? I was absolutely terrified! But Gabriel put me at ease and told me how honoured I was to be given the job.

**Chris Cracker** And we're honoured to have you on tonight's show! So everyone, with their special guest Mary, singing their hit 'The One God's Chosen', it's.....Gabriel's Soul Patrol! *(Chris exits.)*

*(The crowd cheers and stands off-stage to dance. Mary stands next to Gabriel as the song is sung to her. If using our digital backdrops, select 'backdrop 2 – Gabriel's Soul Patrol')*

## **Song The One God's Chosen**

*(tracks 1 & 10, lyrics p16)*

*(Gabriel's Soul Patrol, supported by whole cast)*

*(The crowd cheers as the **Theme Tune (track 11)** then plays and the singers and musicians exit. Select 'backdrop 1 – Chart Show'. The crowd spreads out on, around and in front of the stage and all dance, while the directors move round encouraging everyone to keep the energy up!)*

# Scene 2

*(As soon as the theme tune ends, the directors step to the front.)*

**Director** Great energy people! Let's keep that up throughout the whole show! Ok, clear the stage.

*(The crowd leaves the stage and most sit down. A different select few gather round the hosts.)*

**Assist. Director** And we're back to our hosts in 5....4....3.... *(s/he mimes the 2...1.... with her/his fingers then points at the hosts' podium.)*

**Tim Tinsel** So, that was Gabriel's Soul Patrol, in at number seven with 'The One God's Chosen'. *(to the crowd gathered round)* So, what did you think of that performance?

**Girl 2** What can I say? It was heavenly! Their voices are so angelic!

**Boy 2** A bit too clean-cut for me. I like something with more of an edge!

**Holly Bush** Something with more of an edge? Hmmm, well maybe our next act will be more up your street. Ladies and gentlemen, straight into our chart at number six, with their new song 'The Streets Of Bethlehem' it's everybody's favourite folk-punk band.....The Landlords!

*(As the crowd cheers and applauds, The Landlords enter and take their positions on the main stage. As well as a miming band, there are two main singers, the Innkeeper and his wife. They are all joined again by Chris Cracker.)*

**Sam Frost** And Chris is on stage with the band now, to find out a bit about them and about the song they're performing.

**Chris Cracker** The Landlords! Great to have you on the show. So, this song, 'The Streets Of Bethlehem', is all about your home town.

**Landlord 1** That's right, Chris. Bethlehem got pretty busy right after Caesar Augustus issued a decree that every man had to travel to his birthplace, with his family, for a census.

**Landlord 2** It was great news for us! Our guesthouses and inns did a roaring trade with all the visitors who arrived. Profits went through the roof!

**Landlord 3** We were turning people away left, right and centre. Every place in Bethlehem was full, you see. If I'd known we'd be that busy I'd have put my prices up!

**Chris Cracker** But I gather it wasn't fun for all of you. *(to the Innkeeper and his wife)* You two didn't cope too well under the pressure I hear.

**Wife** You can say that again! Of course, it didn't help with his nibs here lying around our inn, not lifting a finger to help!