## Watch and Pray Skit #2 Star of the Show

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Performers Uncle Muggins

Danny Boy

Tommy Rot/Narrator

Props Page of paper

(Uncle Muggins and Danny Boy are standing in their garden talking).

Tom. "Hello there neighbour!... I was just passing by, and I noticed that there star hanging from your tree...And I wondered...Is he a man of the stars too?"

Unc. "Pardon?...You mean like an Astrologist..Or an Astronomist or something?"

Tom. "Ah...Yes...An...Um..Starologist."

Unc. "No...I'm not...But..."

Tom. "I'm a dedicated Starologist myself...An wif me it's not just a hobby...It's a passion!"

Unc. "It is?"

Tom. "Yes it is...An' did you know there's a new star born every minute?...An' us what keeps our eyes on the stars..An' spends our nights labouring behind a telescope....We sees 'em being born."

Unc. "You do?"

Tom. "Yes...We do!...An' when we sees a new one we names it...An' it's ours...An' anyone what looks at our star has to pay us a Tenner royalties..."

Unc. "A Tenner....Really?...I've never heard of that."

Tom. "That's because your nights aren't spent labouring behind a telescope...Are they?"

Unc. "No...They aren't....So how many do you own?"

Tom. "Hundreds...An' the thing is I've made my fortune...An' I'm retiring...So I wants to sell my stars to others....So they can benefit from them like I have..."

Unc. "Really?"

Tom. "Yep...An' I've got one that you just might be interested in...It's called Number Ten...."

Dan. "I don't know Uncle...It sounds suspicious."

Unc. "No no Boy...Just leave it to me..." (Turning to Tommy) "...Number Ten?...Same as on our letterbox?"

Tom. "Yep...That's why I thought it may interest you...An' it's only a thousand."

Unc. "A thousand dollars?....That's a lot of money!"

Tom. "A small price to pay...There isn't a night that I goes to sleep that I doesn't wake up a richer man...You'll get your investment back in no time."

Unc. "Umm..."

Dan. "I don't know Uncle?"

Unc. "Just leave it to me Boy..." (Turning to Tommy) "...Well...I do have a little something tucked away under a mattress for a rainy day..."

Tom. "Well...(Holding his hands out with palms up)...I think it's raining dollar bills...You'll kick yourself for being such a fool if you pass up this opportunity..."

Unc. "I'll just go in and fetch the money..."

Tom. "Smart man."

Unc. (Leaves and returns)"..Here it is....one thousand."

Tom. "Thank you!"

Unc. "So...Whereabouts is my star?"

Tom. "I'll show you..." (Walks away and ripping sound is heard) "...Here it is..." (Handing torn page to Uncle).

Unc. (Excitedly). "Which one is my star?"

Tom. "That one there!"..(Pointing at page) "..Right beside the moon...I've put a circle around it...So anytime you look at the moon you'll see your star beside it."

Unc. "Thank you so much...My very own star!"

Tom. "Yep...An' if you just go to the observatory every morning...They'll give you your night's takings."

Unc. "Really...Well this star business certainly is easy money!"

Tom. "You don't know how easy!...But I must be going.." (Holding hand out) "...An' thank you for your custom."

Unc. "No thank you ... I can't wait to go to sleep tonight."

(Tommy leaves)

Dan. "Can I see the photo?"

(Uncle hands it to him...He picks at it and hands it back).

Unc. "Where's my star gone?"

Dan. "I picked it off...It was Twink."

Unc. "No...It's my star...I bought it...I own it!"

Dan. "It was Twink."

Unc. "Do I look like a fool?...When I go to the Observatory in the morning...I'll ask them to show me where it is..." (Looking up) "...Maybe I should hang a moon in the tree beside the star...Just where Number Ten is...Yes I'll do that...My very own star!...Maybe I could go there on the Space Shuttle?..." (Walks off).

<u>Narrator</u> "There's one born every minute alright...But it isn't a star...The Lord Jesus warned us to be 'As wise as serpents and as innocent as doves'......There's a balance between it...Because if we're too innocent...Others will take us for fools...And take advantage of us...So...If anyone does offer you a star for a Thousand bucks...Do pray about it...Before you hand over the cash."

## End

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