

## **Christmas at the Movies Week 3 - The Code of Christmas**

The Code of Elves:

1. There's room for everyone on the nice list.
2. Live everyday like it's Christmas.
3. The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear.

### **1. There's room for everyone in the family of God.**

**John 1:11 (NIV)** He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

**John 1:12-13 (NIV)** Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

**John 14:2-3 (NIV)** My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

**Revelation 7:9 (NLT)** After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb.

### **2. Live everyday with a sense of wonder and amazement.**

Did You Ever Wonder?

Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours?

Did You Ever Wonder?

Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?

Did You Ever Wonder?

What do you call a male ladybug?

Did You Ever Wonder?

If they squeeze olives to get olive oil, how do they get baby oil?

Did You Ever Wonder?

Why are they called "apartments" when they're

stuck together?

Did You Ever Wonder?

Why is it that when you transport something by car, it's called a shipment, but when you transport something by ship, it's called cargo?

Did You Ever Wonder?

Why is the word "abbreviation" so long?

**Exodus 15:3-5 (NLT)** The Lord is a warrior; Yahweh is his name! Pharaoh's chariots and army he has hurled into the sea. The finest of Pharaoh's officers are drowned in the Red Sea. The deep waters gushed over them; they sank to the bottom like a stone.

**Exodus 15:9-10 (NLT)** "The enemy boasted, 'I will chase them and catch up with them. I will plunder them and consume them. I will flash my sword; my powerful hand will destroy them.' But you blew with your breath, and the sea covered them. They sank like lead in the mighty waters.

**Exodus 15:8 (NLT)** At the blast of your breath, the waters piled up! The surging waters stood straight like a wall; in the heart of the sea the deep waters became hard.

**Exodus 15:11 (NLT)** "Who is like you among the gods, O Lord— glorious in holiness, awesome in splendor, performing great wonders?

**Luke 5:26 (NLT)** Everyone was gripped with great wonder and awe, and they praised God, exclaiming, "We have seen amazing things today!"

**Acts 3:8-9 (NIV)** So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God. And all the people saw him walking and praising God.

**Acts 3:10 (NIV)** Then they knew that it was he who sat begging alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

**Psalms 65:8 (NLT)** Those who live at the ends of the earth stand in awe of your wonders. From where the sun rises to where it sets, you inspire shouts of joy.

### **3. Never lose your song.**

**Psalms 137:1-2 (NLT)** Beside the rivers of Babylon, we sat and wept as we thought of Jerusalem. We put away our harps, hanging them on the branches of poplar trees.

**Psalm 137:3-4 (NLT)** For our captors demanded a song from us. Our tormentors insisted on a joyful hymn: "Sing us one of those songs of Jerusalem!" But how can we sing the songs of the Lord while in a pagan land?

**Ephesians 5:18-19 (NLT)** Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts.

**Acts 16:25-26 (NLT)** Around midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening. Suddenly, there was a massive earthquake, and the prison was shaken to its foundations. All the doors immediately flew open, and the chains of every prisoner fell off!