

Christmas Shoes

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It was almost Christmas time
There I stood in another line
Trying to buy that last gift or two
I'm really in the Christmas mood
Standing right in front of me
Was a little boy waiting anxiously
Pacing around like little boys do
And in his hands he held a pair of shoes
And his clothes were worn and old
He was dirty from head to toe
And when it came his time to pay
I couldn't believe what I heard him say
"Sir, I wanna buy these shoes for my momma please
It's Christmas eve and these shoes are just her size
Could you hurry sir? Daddy says there's not much time
You see she's been sick for quite a while
And I know these shoes will make her smile
And I want her to look beautiful if momma meets Jesus tonight"
They counted pennies for what seemed like years
And the cashier says, "Son, there's not enough here"
He searched his pockets frantically
Then he turned and he looked at me
And he said, "Momma made Christmas good at our house
Most years she just did without
Tell me sir, what am I gonna do
Somehow I gotta buy her these Christmas shoes"
So I laid the money down
I just had to help him out
And I'll never forget the look on his face
When he said, "Momma's gonna look so great"
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I knew I caught a glimpse of heaven's love
As he thanked me and ran out
I knew that God had sent that little boy

To remind me what Christmas is all about
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