

THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

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'Twas the day after Christmas -
In a lot on our street -
The neighborhood children
Had arranged to meet!

From a chair on my lawn
I could both see and hear -
And noted that each child
Brought a gift he held dear!

"What did Santa bring you ?"
Was the most common call!
Each child showed for review -
His gift - seen by them all!

Some sports gear was the choice
Of all the teen-aged boys!
Older girls favored clothes -
Young children showed their toys!

Would Jesus be mentioned?
I listened - but in vain -
No - not one person there
Even uttered His Name!

God's Spirit was there, convicting me -
I now knew what my purpose to be -
Begin Bible study - invite them all -
"Lord save these children from 'The Fall!'"