

A Jewish Christmas Lament  
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JEWISH SINGER

EVERY YEAR I'M FILLED WITH CHEER!  
AND FOR GOOD REASON-  
IT'S THE HOLIDAY SEASON!  
WARM APPLE CIDER.  
CRACKLING FIRE.  
SINGING CHURCH CHOIRS.  
YOUR PARENTS ARE LIARS.  
MY BAT MITZVAH TUTOR TOLD ME  
FA LA LA LA LA  
YOUR PARENTS ARE LIARS.

SANTA CLAUS ISN'T REAL.  
HE'S SCIENTIFICALLY IMPOSSIBLE.  
I'M SORRY 'BOUT HOW THIS MUST MAKE YOU FEEL  
'BUT THAT FLYING MAN ISN'T PLAUSIBLE:  
REINDEERS CAN'T FLY.  
ELVES DON'T MAKE PRESENTS.  
YOUR PARENTS BUY GIFTS  
TO GET RID OF YOUR PRESENCE.

SANTA CLAUS ISN'T REAL.  
NO ONE IS NAUGHTY OR NICE.  
I CAN'T BELIEVE I HAVE TO GIVE YOU THIS SPIEL  
'BOUT A MAN WHO CLAIMS TO LIVE IN ICE.  
YOUR CHIMNEY'S TOO SMALL  
FOR A FAT MAN TO LURK,  
AND THAT GUY FROM THE MALL  
JERKS HIMSELF AFTER WORK.

SURE, 'TIS THE SEASON  
FOR ALL EXCEPT JEWS,  
AND MUSLIMS,  
AND QUAKERS,  
JEHOVAH'S WITNESS TOO.  
WE ALL HAVE TO FIND CHRISTMAS JOY SOMEWHERE ELSE.  
WE CAN'T RELY ON HIS SWEATSHOP OF ELVES.

BUT CHRISTMAS BELLS KEEP RINGING,  
CAROLERS KEEP SINGING,  
SANTA CLAUS KEEPS BRINGING PRESENTS -  
WELL HE DOESN'T -  
HE'S YOUR DAD.

SANTA CLAUS ISN'T REAL.  
I THOUGHT THAT WE ALL KNEW.  
AND I'M TIRED OF TRYING SO HARD TO CONCEAL  
THE SECRETS I'VE BEEN TAUGHT AS A JEW.  
AND YES,  
IT'S TRUE,  
SANTA CLAUS ISN'T REAL  
AND JESUS IS A JEW.