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An extraordinary message from Ernie Crist.

The story below is not necessarily a Christmas story but you might get a chuckle out of it anyway.

"Talking Dog" for sale said the newspaper ad. Thinking it was a joke a man nonetheless called the number. The man at the other end confirmed that he really did have a talking dog for sale. Can I come and see the dog asked the interested man? Of course, was the reply. He went to the house, looked at the dog and said, can you really speak? Yes, said the dog, calmly. This is incredible, said the man, how did this come about? Well, said the dog, I was born with this gift and my masters trained me. I have had a very colored career, he continued. I have been in the circus and among other things, I have been a car salesman, an insurance salesman and even a politician. The potential buyer could hardly believe his ears. This is incredible he said to the owner! How much do you want for this dog. \$10 was the reply. Only ten dollars, said the surprised man? Yes, said the owner. He is lying through his teeth.

Ernie

Have a nice holiday.

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