Sister's Spin

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While there are many wonderful carols of this Christmas Season, one I enjoy listening to is the carol of the Friendly Beasts. I think of those animals who were already in that cold cave of Bethlehem and who maybe were a little startled as these two strangers entered their cave. In the silence as they watch, their little shelter becomes a home for their Creator. Perhaps the silence is broken only by the soft crying of the Child or the quiet singing of the Mother. While the shepherds and wise men may have brought great gifts to the newborn, it was the animals in that cave who perhaps gave Him warmth, shared their food trough and hay, and softly cooed their songs of joy. A fantasy picture--maybe, but these animals surely recognized their Creator and gave homage that night. As we look at that manger scene in this Christmas Season, it is good to remember that we, too, give homage to the Gift that has been given to us. Like the animals in that cold Bethlehem cave, let us give Him the only gift we each have, the gift of our Love. May you have a very Blessed and Merry Christmas!

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