

Chanukah Christmas

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On *Chanukah*, the Feast of Lights
We lit the candles for eight nights
When I was just a wee small fry
And Santa Claus flew right on by.
 But nowadays, he's here with me
 As we all trim the Christmas tree
 And our house has a magic aura
 Christmas tree and lit *menorah*
Spinning *dreydl*, angel chime
In these days and at this time
There's double lights
On all eight nights
Of *Chanukah*.

And Judah Maccabee is here
With Rudolph and the eight reindeer
With chocolate *gelt* and model trains
Golden *latkes*, candy canes.
 And while the candles gently glow
 There's carols on the radio
 And presents wrapped and pudding made
 Stockings stuffed and *dreydl* played—
We make choices, yea or nay
From this mixed holiday buffet
A Yuletide log
But no eggnog
On *Chanukah*.

We visit family far and near
For *Chanukah* or Christmas cheer
But back at home, we merge and blend
And new ways start and old ways end—
 There's holly leaves, red berries, thorns
 But Rudolph has *menorah* horns
 A Christmas morning potpourri
 Of presents 'neath a tinsel tree
Topped by a star no Wise Men saw
A *mogen dovid* – such *khutzpa*!
Reflects the lights
On all eight nights
Of *Chanukah*.