

The Next Day of Christmas

On the next day of Christmas
Almighty gave to me:
thirteen men at supper,
twelve sons of Jacob,
eleven friends in mourning,
ten rules for living,
nine fruits of spirit,¹
eight lighted candles,
seven skinny cattle,²
six days for working,
five barley loaves;
four books of news
three dark days
two little fish
and the same cup
for you and for me.

1. Galatians 5:22-23

2. Genesis 41:3

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