



Unit 12 | Session 1

GOD GAVE SOLOMON WISDOM

1 Kings 2-3

David was the king of Israel for many years. His son Solomon was going to be king after Him. Before King David died, he gave Solomon some instructions.

“Be strong and brave, Solomon,” David said. “Obey God, and you will be successful.”

When David died, Solomon became the king of Israel. One night, God appeared to Solomon in a dream. God said, “Solomon, ask for anything you want, and I will give it to you.”

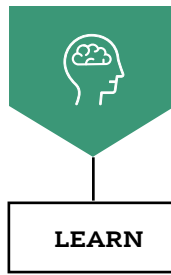
Solomon did not ask to be rich or to have a long life. Solomon wanted to be a good king, so he asked for something even better.

Solomon prayed, “God, I am young, and I do not know very much about being a king. Please make me wise. Help me lead Your people well.”

God was happy with Solomon’s request. God also said, “Because you asked for wisdom, I will also give you what you did not ask for: long life, riches, and honor. You will be greater than any other king during your lifetime.”

Then Solomon woke up. He praised God and offered sacrifices to worship Him.

Christ Connection: Solomon was a wise king who wanted to do God’s plan. Solomon wasn’t perfect, but God had a plan to give His people a greater and wiser King—His Son, Jesus. Jesus completely trusted God. Jesus surrendered His own life to die on the cross for our sin.



THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

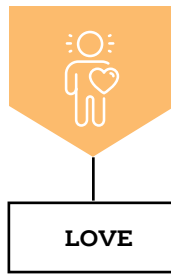
» List what traits or qualities make a good king.

» What does this story teach us about God?

» Why was it good that Solomon asked for wisdom?

CHRIST CONNECTION

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THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

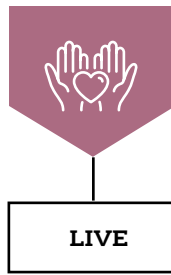
» How can you apply King David's advice to Solomon to your life?

» Why is wisdom the best thing to ask the Lord for?

» What are some practical ways wisdom helped Solomon be a great king?

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THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

» Find Exodus 34:6-7 in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, praising God for His faithfulness and the love He shows us through Jesus. Ask God to help you live each day for Him as you rely on His wisdom.

READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

☐ 1 Kings 2:2-3

☐ Job 12:13

☐ 1 Kings 3:11-12

☐ James 1:5

☐ 1 Kings 3:28

☐ Psalm 111:10