

Grades 1-3 Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	Gr. 3's Worksheet: As the leader, look up the Bible verses and read them outloud and have your students decide if it is wise or unwise	Bible Worksheet
	Gr. 1 and 2 Worksheet: Wise Words	Worksheet
	Talk about "what does the word trust mean?"	
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Lorene She will get you when she is ready.	
Classroom:	Search Bibles activity: Take out the bookmarks for each passage and spell out the word trust. Talk about TRUST in all of these stories. See page 142	Bible Ask Questions
	Option 2: Bookmark: Make a bookmark. The Bible is filled with stories of people who trusted God. We should read more of the Bible to learn about how God is faithful.	String Hole puncher Beads
	Summer Scripture Bingo - Hand out to students to bring home for the summer if a student hasn't gotten it already.	Bingo Worksheet



THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

LIVE for God out of love

- 1 Choose the activities that best fit your group, space, available resources, and time constraints. Set up activities in one of these ways: as a group—all at the same time, in small groups that rotate through each activity, or set up as centers—allowing preschoolers to browse and choose.

SEARCH BIBLES



Write the letters T, R, U, S, and T on individual strips of paper. Gather a Bible, and place a strip at each of the following passages:

- Genesis 15:6 (Abraham believed God.)
- Exodus 14 (Moses trusted God to save them from Pharaoh.)
- Joshua 6 (Joshua trusted that God would help them defeat Jericho.)
- Ruth 1 (Ruth trusted that God would take care of her.)
- Psalm 40:4 (David trusted God.)

Invite a child to open the Bible to one of the markers. Review how that person in the Bible trusted God. After all the paper strips have been found, put them in order to reveal the word TRUST.

SAY “ Solomon wrote, ‘trust God with all your heart.’ Trust means believing that someone will keep their promises. Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Ruth, and David all trusted God, and God took care of each one of them. **WE GAIN WISDOM WHEN WE TRUST IN GOD** and do what He says. Jesus did what His Father said to do. Jesus obeyed His Father and came to earth to die on the cross for our sins. Jesus rose again so that when we trust Him, we can have forgiveness. ”

WRITE WITH A FEATHER

Before the session, write the words Trust, God, and Wisdom on individual pieces of paper. Cover a table with a tablecloth, and assist preschoolers with placing a smock over their clothing. Distribute a piece of construction paper to each child. Set out the prepared papers, paper plates with washable paint, and craft feathers. Demonstrate how to dip the quill of the feather into the paint and write one of the words. (Note: Lead younger preschoolers to draw pictures or trace over letters on paper.)

SAY “ You wrote words with a feather. Solomon wrote with a feather pen too. Solomon was wise, and he wrote down short sayings to help people make right choices. Solomon wrote that people will be happy, healthy, and strong when they learn how God wants them to live. Jesus loved His Father, and always followed God’s plan. Jesus came to earth, died on the cross, and rose again. When we trust Jesus, we have forgiveness and life with God forever. ”



LIVE

THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

LIVE the Mission

1 ACTIVITY CHOICE (10 minutes)

☐ OPTION 1: DO YOU KNOW?



Invite three kids to be volunteers in a smelling test. Blindfold the kids, and explain that today they will be using their nose to determine certain foods. Place foods such as apple slices, cabbage, deli ham, mushrooms, bread, mustard, and strawberry jam in individual paper bags. Encourage them to guess what each food is. After guessing, reveal the mystery foods.

SAY “Which food was the hardest to guess? [Allow responses.] Solomon reminds us not to trust our own wisdom, but to turn to God because **God knows everything about the past, present, and future. WE GAIN WISDOM WHEN WE FEAR GOD AND TRUST IN HIM.**”

☐ OPTION 2: PROVERBS BOOKMARK

Provide each kid with a cardstock bookmark and markers. Invite kids to use their Bible to write the verse from Proverbs 3:5 on their bookmark. Distribute stickers for kids to place on their bookmark. Then hole punch the top of each kid's bookmark.

Provide kids with a 4–5 inch long piece of yarn and pony beads. Assist kids with tying one end of the yarn around the hole of the bookmark. Then direct kids to string the beads on the yarn. Assist kids in knotting the end of the yarn.

SAY “Today, we learned that Solomon wrote how we should trust in the Lord with all our heart and not depend on our own understanding. When we trust in Jesus, we become wise. I encourage you to think about whether or not you have trusted in Jesus. If you have trusted in Jesus, think about how you might be trying to follow your own ways instead of His. Remember, God will give us wisdom to follow Jesus if we ask Him.”



2 REFLECTION AND PRAYER (5 minutes)

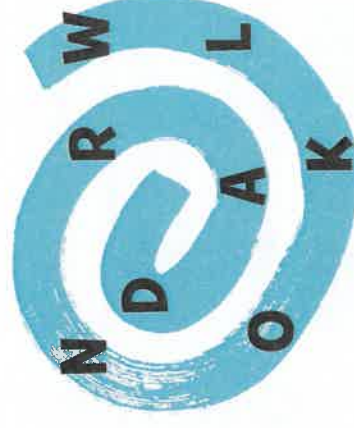
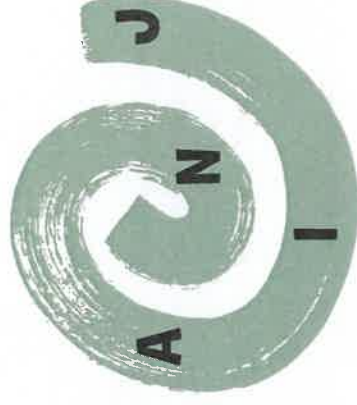
Distribute a sheet of paper and pencil to each kid. Ask kids to write about or draw a picture to answer the following questions:

- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does the story teach me about myself?
- Who can I tell about this story?

Be sure to send the sheets home with the kids along with the activity pages so parents can continue to discuss the Bible story with their kids. If time remains, take prayer requests or allow kids to complete the Bible story coloring page. Pray for your group.

Wise Words

INSTRUCTIONS: Solomon wrote many wise proverbs. Cross out the first letter and then every other letter to learn how we can be wise. Then write the word below each spiral.



NAME: _____



Wisdom of God's People

Proverbs 1; 3-4

STORY POINT:

We gain wisdom when we fear God and trust in Him.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Solomon's proverbs encourage God's people to trust in the Lord. Jesus trusted in God His Father throughout His life on earth, all the way to His death on the cross for our sins. He rose again and continues to lead us to love and trust God the Father.

KEY PASSAGE:

Proverbs 3:7

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

What does God know? God knows everything about the past, present, and future.

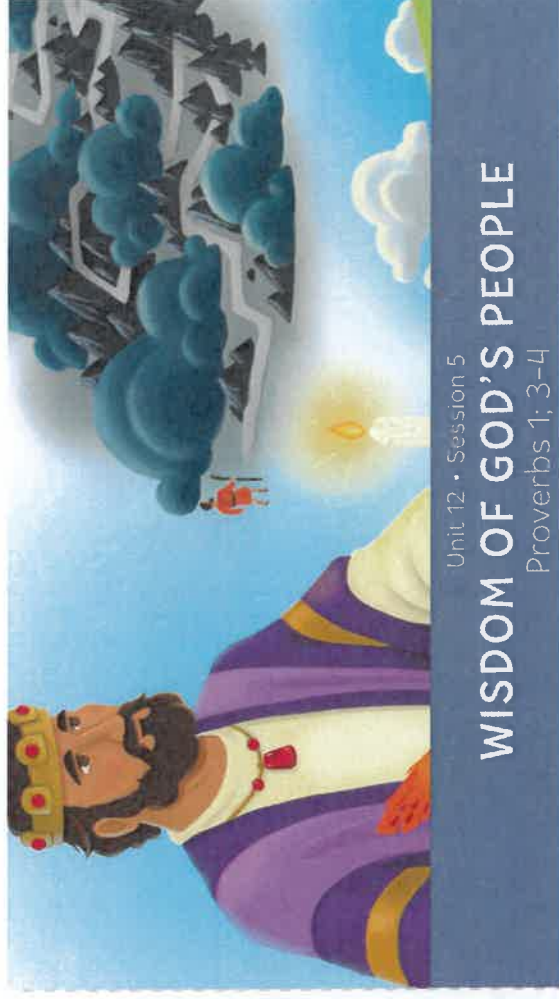


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JOURNAL PAGE

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 12 • Session 5

WISDOM OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Proverbs 1: 3-4

WHAT DOES GOD KNOW?

GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING ABOUT THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE.

King Solomon wrote many proverbs. Proverbs are short sayings that give wisdom and help people live in ways that are right and good. By following these proverbs, people can gain wisdom and receive guidance for life.

The book of Proverbs is filled with many of King Solomon's wise sayings. King Solomon taught people to fear the Lord and trust in Him.

Solomon said it is wise to keep God's commandments, for they will bring a long, full life.

Another proverb Solomon wrote was, "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not depend on your own understanding. Don't think of yourself as wise," Solomon wrote. "Instead fear the LORD and turn away from evil."

Solomon also said, "Honor the LORD with everything you own."

Some of Solomon's proverbs were warnings, such as "Do not hate the LORD's instruction, and do not hate His discipline. The LORD disciplines the one He loves."

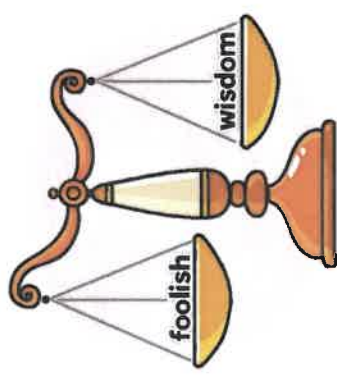
Solomon's proverbs show there are two ways to live: with God's wisdom or without God's wisdom. He wrote, "Don't walk in the path of the wicked. But stay on the path of the righteous where light always shines brighter and brighter."

Christ Connection: Solomon's proverbs encourage God's people to trust in the Lord. Jesus trusted in God His Father throughout His life on earth, all the way to His death on the cross for our sins. He rose again and continues to lead us to love and trust God the Father.



SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!

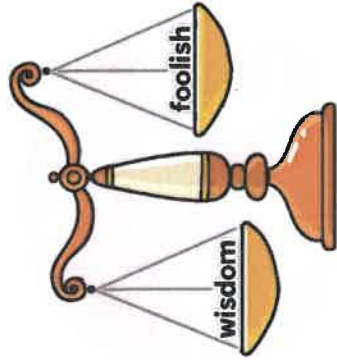
Weighty Wisdom | Look up each verse and determine if it describes someone who is wise or foolish. Draw a line to match the verse to the correct side of the scale.



Proverbs 3:7



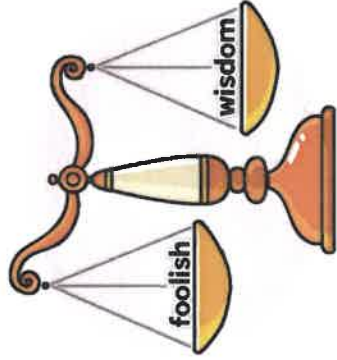
Proverbs 19:3



Proverbs 14:17



Proverbs 16:16

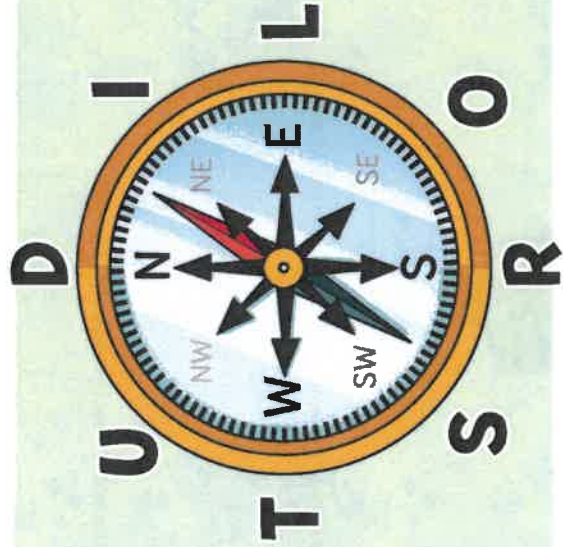


Proverbs 18:2



Proverbs 2:6

Walk Wisely | Solomon taught people to walk on the path of righteousness. Use the compass key to decode how to walk wisely.



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