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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?

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Unit 12 • Session 2

## SOLOMON BUILT THE TEMPLE

1 Kings 6-8

### WHAT DOES GOD KNOW?

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

Solomon had been king for four years when he began to build the temple for the Lord. God said to Solomon, "If you obey my commandments, I will fulfill my promise to you that I made to your father David. I will dwell with my people and not abandon them."

The ark of the Lord's covenant would be in the innermost part of the temple. Solomon overlaid everything in this part of the temple with pure gold. Solomon hired a man named Hiram to create objects out of pure bronze for the temple. Hiram made pillars, a large basin, water carts, and more out of bronze. Solomon gathered all of Israel to bring the ark of the Lord's covenant into the temple, to the most holy place. When the priests came out of the holy place, the glory of the Lord filled the temple. Solomon said, "I have built an exalted temple for You, God, a place for You to live forever."

King Solomon blessed all of Israel, saying, "The LORD has fulfilled what He promised. I have built the temple for the name of the LORD, the God of Israel."

Then Solomon prayed to God:

"LORD God of Israel, there is no god like You. But will God live on earth?  
Even the highest heaven cannot contain You,  
Much less this temple I have built.  
Please hear the prayers of Your people  
When they pray toward this place."

Christ Connection: Solomon built the temple, but he knew that the fullness of God did not live there. Jesus is the fullness of God, and He came to dwell on earth (John 1:14). Only those who trust in Him will be forgiven of their sin and live with God forever.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!





**What Doesn't Belong?** | Solomon built the temple to worship God. Circle the 11 items that don't belong.

**Where Do You Worship?** | Through the Holy Spirit, Christians can worship God at any time or any place. Draw a picture or write about where you worship God.