

The King Who Had It All

Week 13



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Key Verse: Proverbs 16:18
Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.

Table Talk

God appeared to Solomon in a dream and offered to give him anything he asked for. If God gave you the same offer, what would you ask for?

Solomon asked for wisdom, so he could be a good king.

Do you think that was a good request?

God liked Solomon's answer so much that he gave him wisdom, fame, and money. What's the best reward you've received for a good answer?

If you could ask your parents to give you one thing, what would it be?

Extra Mile

Money wasn't an issue for Solomon. God blessed him with such vast riches that the Bible says silver had little value in Solomon's kingdom and that the king drank out of a gold goblet. So when Solomon built God's temple, he spared no expense.

Even though Solomon had 180,000 workers and 4,000 supervisors on the project, the temple took seven years to complete. It was one of the most majestic structures of the day. Nearly 500 years after the Israelites left Egypt, God's temple was complete.

Take a digital video tour of the temple by going to YouTube. Read 1 Kings 6 as you watch: www.youtube.com/watch?v=IfnWTz-710E.

Did anything stand out to you in the video?

Is there any part of the description of the temple that seems especially majestic?

How does Solomon's temple compare to your church?

Does God's presence still fill buildings today?

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