CITY LG - October 18th - 19th, 2025

Bible Story: Solomon Chooses Wisdom • 1 Kings 3:4-15

Bottom Line: You can ask God for wisdom.

Monthly Memory Verse: It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose

understanding than silver. Proverbs 16:16 (NIrV)

WORSHIP

Nothing is Impossible As the World Shakes

SLIDE: Theme

Welcome to The City! I'm so glad you're here on this beautiful fall day! This time of year makes me think about pumpkins and apple cider and hay rides and of course one of my favorite candies...candy corn! Before we go any farther, let's all take a look at the screen and check out a fun fall game called Candy Corn Shuffle. Let's play!

Video: Candy Corn Shuffle

All month long, we're learning to seek God to know which path we should follow—just like you would on a map at the world's coolest theme park! Here at Wisdomland, there are also rides and games, and we're learning that God goes with us through every single thing!

At Widsomland, there's SO much to discover—but the most important thing we can find here is WISDOM. Does anybody know what wisdom is? (Let a few kids answer.)

Those are great ideas! Wisdom means making good choices. When you make good choices, you live wisely. It's like our memory verse for this month says...

SLIDE: Memory Verse

It is much better to get wisdom than gold.

It is much better to choose understanding than silver. —Proverbs 16:16, NIrV

Today, we're going to learn about someone in the Bible who needed wisdom, but before we do, let me tell you about something really amazing that we're doing this year! We're going to go through the key stories in the Bible so we can learn the big story the Bible is telling! We started at the very beginning of the Bible, and we're going to look at some key stories all the way to the end of the Bible!

Why are we doing that? Well, it's not just so we can just learn all about the Bible. God gave us the Bible so we can know about Him! The Bible tells us all about who God is and what His heart is like. So as we go through the Bible, we hope we learn about God! He is the most important part of every Bible Story!

We're going to go through God's Big Story! (Gesture to slide.)

SLIDE: God's Big Story

Each week, we'll look at a story from God's Big Story and add a picture of that story to our timeline, so we can see where we've been in the Bible as we journey along. (Gesture to timeline.) We're moving right along through the Bible. This week, we're looking at the third king of God's people and a really wise thing he asked God. Let's check it out.

VIDEO: Bible Story 10:29

So what did we learn from Solomon? You don't have to be the smartest, or the oldest, or even a king or queen to get God's wisdom! God's wisdom is a gift for anyone who asks. It's like our bottom line for today says. Let's stand up and check it out.

VIDEO: Bottom Line

SLIDE: Bottom Line

You can ask God for wisdom.

Every day, you have choices to make. Maybe you need wisdom about sharing your toys, or being kind to a friend, or listening to your parents. Maybe there's something that feels hard or confusing, like learning something new at school, or making a good choice when you're upset.

Guess what? You can do just what Solomon did! You can stop, take a breath, and ask God for wisdom. You can say, 'God, I don't know what to do. Will You help me make a wise choice?' And God promises to listen and help, because He loves you so much.

Let's talk to God right now and ask Him to help us go through life with Him so He can help us get wisdom.

God, thank You for loving us and for giving us the Bible so we can learn Your wisdom. Thank You for helping Solomon, and thank You that You promise to help us too. When we don't know what to do, help us stop and ask You for help. Fill us with wisdom, kindness, and love—so we can make wise choices every day. We trust You, God! We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen"

<u>CHECK THE TIME:</u> There should be at least 20-25 minutes for small group. If LG is running late, skip the next part, but remind kids who have offering to place it in the container.

Our offering is going to Shady Oaks Camp. Their mission is to give these kids and adults the same kind of camp experience that kids without disabilities can enjoy. Let's check it out.

VIDEO: Missions Night 1

Wow! You can see how much fun the people who attend Shady Oaks Camp for kids and adults with disabilities have! What an amazing experience that is for them. We are raising money to support the camp in all they do for people with disabilities. Go home and see what you can do to earn money to help Shady Oaks Camp!