



September 6

AT HOME LESSON



BIG IDEA

Wisdom comes from God.

THE BIBLE

Solomon Gets Wisdom: 1 Kings 3:1-13;
(Proverbs 1:7)

MUSIC | TRUST

Spend some time in worship with your kids! You can choose any song, but you might want to check out the following:

- [Really Awesome Plans](#)
- [Trust](#)
- [Journey](#)

PRAYER

After you sing the songs, pray together. Ask God to teach you and open your heart to God's Word. Thank God for giving us wisdom!

QUESTION | What is Wisdom?

After you pray, discuss these questions. Have parents and kids answer!

- **What do you think wisdom is?** Wisdom is what we know to be true in our hearts! Wisdom combines knowledge and experience to produce good judgment and action!
- **Why do we need wisdom?** Wisdom allows us to navigate through tricky situations and make better decisions!
- **Who are some people you think are wise? How do you know?** We can learn about people who made wise decisions in the Bible and learn from the people in our lives who make wise decisions.
 - **SPECIAL NEEDS HACK:** *Have a list of words that are synonyms of wisdom and another list for antonyms or unrelated words. Go through each word and gather words that are synonyms of the word "wisdom". Ask the student to define the word wisdom after talking about these related words.*



THE BIG IDEA | Wisdom comes from God.

- *This will transition you into the Bible story time. Say something like: **We can try really hard to wide on our own, but the truth is that Wisdom comes from God!***

VIDEO | Wise, Episode 1

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play this week's [teaching video](#).

SCRIPTURE | 1 Kings 3:1-13

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Look up 1 Kings 3:1-13 and read it aloud.
- **Who was the king before Solomon?**
- Even though he had every reason to rely on the wisdom of his father, Solomon decided to lean on the wisdom of God.
- **Why do you think Solomon asked God for wisdom?** He could have anything he asked for. Anything! **Can you imagine if God asked you what you want most? What would it be?**
- Of all the things he could have, Solomon asked for wisdom. Solomon knew one important thing: wisdom comes from God! **Why do you think God gave Solomon more than he asked for?**
- **Why was God so pleased with what Solomon asked for?**
- **How does the Bible tell us we gain wisdom?**
- **What did God give Solomon in addition to his original request?**
- **Read Proverbs 1:7. Think of some of the toughest decisions you've had to make. How would wisdom from God have helped you in that situation?**
- **In what area of your life do you think you need more wisdom?**
- **Is it harder or easier to make a wise choice in a tough situation?**
- **How can we apply our Big Idea, "Wisdom comes from God," when making decisions?**

POLL | Would You Rather?

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Introduce the main idea of the story by providing the kids with one or more "Would You Rather" questions. Designate one side of the room as "A" and another as "B." Have kids physically move to these areas in response to the questions.
 - Would you rather be covered in A) scales or B) fur?
 - Would you rather A) live on pizza for the rest of your life or B) never be hungry again?
 - Would you rather have to A) sing everything you say or B) dance everywhere you go?
- **Would you rather A) have wisdom or B) be able to see the future?** With the gift of wisdom, we do not need to see the future. We can trust God will lead us to make the right decisions for what's happening in our lives right now.



SCRIPTURE | Proverbs 1:7

- Solomon did get that wisdom from God. He gathered many of the wise things he learned and collected them. . . we can read it in the Bible in the book of Proverbs! Let's see one of the things he had to say about wisdom itself.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Read the passage aloud and encourage the kids to read along with you.*
- What do you think it means to fear the Lord?
- Why would someone despise wisdom and knowledge?
- How can we learn to choose wisdom over anything else?

CRAFT | Solomon's Praying Hands

Take some time to put together the craft provided. As you put the craft together, talk about how God gives you wisdom. Ask your kids what they might need wisdom for in their lives.

PRAYER

Close your time together with prayer. Pray something like:

- **God, we love You and we know wisdom can only come from You. We pray and ask You to bless us with wisdom, and to know what the best possible action is in all of the situations we may face. We know You will help us make good decisions and we thank You for how You care for us and guide us.**

MEMORY VERSE | James 1:5 (NIV)

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Introduce kids to this month's memory verse using the additional memory verse sheet we've provided.*