



Use Week of: August 2019

Unit 12 • Session 1

Solomon Asked for Wisdom

Babies/Toddlers Lesson

BIBLE PASSAGE: 1 Kings 2–3

STORY POINT: God knows everything.

KEY PASSAGE: James 1:5a

CHRIST CONNECTION: Jesus is wise
because He is God the Son.

Bible Story for Toddlers

King David had many sons, but God chose Solomon to be king after David. David told Solomon, “Love God and obey Him. God will keep His special promise to our family.” David died, and Solomon became king. One night while Solomon dreamed, God said, “Solomon, ask for anything you want, and I will give it to you.” Solomon said, “God, please give me wisdom so I can lead Your people. Help me know what is right and wrong.” God was happy with Solomon’s choice. God made Solomon very wise—he was the wisest man in the world. God also gave Solomon what he did not ask for: money, power, and peace. God was with Solomon like He had been with David.

Babies Gospel Gems

- * King Solomon asked God to make him wise.
- * God gave Solomon wisdom to lead God’s people.
- * Wisdom is loving God and obeying His words.

Baby Supplies

Key passage card
Bible story picture
Toddler Bibles
Soft blocks
Colorful fabric scarves 2-3 per class

Toddler Supplies

Key passage card
Bible story picture
Toddler Bibles
Bible
Nature items, toy animals, bin
"Wisdom Mobile" printable,
stickers, crayons
"Wisdom Matching" cards

BABIES Activities

Wave scarves

Provide several colorful scarves for babies to wave as you play music. Talk about how people praised God when Solomon built the temple.

SAY • Solomon built a temple for God. People came to give gifts to God at the temple. **GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING.** When we trust in Jesus, He is with us forever.

Sing a Bible story song

Sing to the tune of “B-I-N-G-O”:

“If you wanna know what’s right and wrong, just look in your Bible!
God knows everything, God knows everything, God knows everything!
His Word will give you wisdom.”

SAY • **GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING.** God is good, and He always does what is right. Wisdom is loving God and obeying His words.

Look at Bibles

Before class, gather a picture book, a Bible storybook, and a hand-size Bible. Look at the books with babies. Give each baby a chance to hold the Bible. Tell each baby that the Bible is the most important book.

SAY • God gave Solomon wisdom to lead God’s people. Wisdom is loving God and obeying His words in the Bible. **GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING.** Jesus is wise because He is God the Son.

Build with blocks

Provide soft blocks for babies to stack or line up. Make sure babies do not stack higher than chin height. Talk about the Bible story.

SAY • Solomon built a temple for God. Solomon told the people to love God with all their heart. **GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING.** Because of Jesus, we can worship God everywhere.

Give parents today’s big picture card.

Wise King Solomon

TODDLER Activities

Circle time (5 minutes)

Provide small Bibles for toddlers to handle. Say the Bible is God's words. Read the key passage card and guide toddlers to say it. Open your Bible to 1 Kings 2. Show the Bible story picture as you tell the Bible story. Say the story point and gospel gems. Pray for the toddlers.

Make a WISDOM mobile

Print and cut apart the "Wisdom Mobile" printable for each child. Hole punch each of the hole marks. Invite toddlers to decorate the Bible verse cards with crayons or stickers. Read the verses to the children. Thread the verse cards together with yarn, and then tie them to the wisdom card.

SAY • GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING. God gave Solomon wisdom to lead God's people. Wisdom is loving God and obeying His words. Jesus is wise because He is God the Son.

Look at nature

Gather nature items and toy animals from your classroom and set them in a bin. Invite toddlers to point out any animals, plants, rocks, or other items they see. Talk about how Solomon studied the world God made.

SAY • King Solomon asked God for wisdom. **GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING,** and He knows how life works best. Jesus is wise because He is God the Son.

Play a matching game

Print two copies of the "Wisdom Matching Cards" printable and cut them apart. Mix up the cards and arrange them faceup in a grid. Encourage toddlers to find matches. Read the Bible verses on the cards.

SAY • GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING. God gave Solomon wisdom to lead God's people. Solomon wrote down wise sayings in the Bible.

Sleep and wake

Instruct toddlers to close their eyes and pretend to sleep. When you count to three, invite them to "wake up." Briefly review the Bible story.

SAY • GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING. King Solomon asked God for wisdom.