

BASED ON MATERIAL FROM SUPERBOOK ACADEMY



ELEMENTARY

King Solomon Week 2 Online

## **LEADER GUIDE**

### DESCRIPTION



SuperTruth: I will ask God for wisdom. Superverse: 1 Kings 3:12a (NLT) I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise and understanding heart!" Scripture: 1 Kings 2:1–4; 1 Kings 3:1–14,17–28

#### Prep Material:

- Bibles (ESV)
- Sticky Notes
- King Solomon Superbook Videos:
  - There are two ways to watch this week's video:
    - Superbook Academy <u>Click Here</u> Enter Code <u>Psalm91</u>
      - The place where you enter the code is under "Guest Access" at the bottom of the screen. Enter the code where it says password.
- Feel free to use the craft or other activities before/after the lesson or during the week.

#### Scripture Read (Optional)

Families get an ESV Bible and have kids find the following passages (1 Kings 2:1–4; 1 Kings 3:1–14,17–28) in the Bible using the concordance and placing a sticky note by each reference. Once the scripture references are all found, have each member of the family read the story (If kiddo can't read the story have an adult read).

\*During DB kids services we have kids read the Bible because we desire to have them know what scripture says first before engaging in our Superbook Adventure. Remember the Superbook is someone's interpretation of Scripture, and can spur discussion\*

#### Introduction

Hello, everyone and welcome back! Today is the second lesson of our *Superbook* adventure titled "King Solomon." Have you ever needed wisdom to make a very important decision?

Solomon was the third king of Israel and he relied on God's wisdom to help him lead God's people. Today, we will learn about how we can ask for wisdom from God, too.

Before going a little further though, let's dig into our Supertruth.

#### **Review SuperTruth**

Today's SuperTruth says, "I will ask God for Wisdom."

Say the first part, *"I will ask"*... and then have the child say the second part "*God for Wisdom*" (*Repeat*)

*Superbook* took Chris, Joy and Gizmo back to meet King Solomon in Israel, one of the wisest people who ever lived! For those who haven't seen our *Superbook* video yet, we are going to watch a short version of "King Solomon." If you have already seen it, notice the items that stick to Gizmo.

#### Watch: Condensed Bible Story

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Family Discussion

Questions:

- Were you surprised that Solomon asked for wisdom? Why or why not?
- King Solomon had to make an important decision about a very complicated situation. What did he have to decide? Two women each claimed to be the mother of the same baby. With no evidence, Solomon had to decide which woman was the true mother of the baby.

Yes, this was not a decision that could be made without God's wisdom. God gave Solomon the wisdom he needed at just the right time!

In the Bible Background video, we'll learn more about Solomon and how God blessed him with what he did—and didn't—ask for! We'll also explore what he accomplished as Israel's third king.

When Gizmo asks a question, wait for him to give some possible answers, then call out the one you think is right!

#### Watch: Bible Background Video

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#### Watch: Signpost Video

The Bible is full of so many truths and it is so cool to see how stories in the Old Testament can have symbolic value to God's redemption plan in the New Testament. Can you guess how the story of King Solomonl points to Jesus?

Let's watch our Signpost Video and find out.

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#### **Teaching/Conclusion:**

Let's say our Supertruth again: "I will ask God for Wisdom"

God came to Solomon in a dream and told him that he could have anything he wanted. What did Solomon ask for? *Wisdom.* 

Why? He needed God's wisdom to do the job God gave him to do.

By choosing wisdom, Solomon showed he wanted the things of God first over any selfish desires. Do you remember God's response? God was so pleased that He gave Solomon what he asked for and also things he didn't ask for.

Yes, God was very pleased with Solomon's answer.

Read 1 Kings 3:13:

"And I will also give you what you did not ask for—riches and fame! No other king in all the world will be compared to you for the rest of your life!"

God is pleased when we ask Him for wisdom. It shows that the desire of our heart is to make right choices to please Him and do as Jesus would do. Jesus taught this in Matthew 6:33:

"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and He will give you everything you need."

When we put God first and ask for His wisdom, He will give us everything we need. Solomon said he felt like a little child who didn't know his way. (See 1 Kings 3:7.) He humbly admitted that the job of being the king of Israel was too big for him to do on his own.

It's important for us to be humble, too. We may be tempted to say, "I've got this! I can figure this out on my own!" Yet in reality, we need God's help, and we should be quick to ask Him for it.

One of King Solomon's most famous sayings is found in Proverbs 3:5–6:

*Trust in the lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take.* 

Yes, He is the creator who formed everything from absolutely nothing! He knows us inside and out. He knows everything about His creation. Jesus came to the earth to live as a man. He experienced everything that we face, and He can help us!

Conclusion: Yes, God gives wisdom for us to apply and share; He is generous so <u>we</u> can be generous, too! Here is God's promise to us in James 1:5:

If you need wisdom, ask our generous God, and He will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking.

Let's say our Supertruth again: "I will ask God for Wisdom."

## SCRIPTURE SWORD CHALLENGE





Go to <u>www.dbkids.org</u> to get the complete list for the dbKids Elementary Scripture Sword Challenge list for the 2020-2021 year (It will be posted August 16). Remember to grab your initial dbKids hat at Church on the weekend or throughout the week (beginning August 22). A replacement hat will cost \$10 each. Kids can say the verse to dbKids Elementary coordinators every Sunday via Zoom every week (30 min block window) in order to get the pins for their hats. See dbKids website for times and for more information.

Practice the verse at home or life group by using a whiteboard and wiping away words and repeating the scripture until all the words are erased. (Tip: Make hand motions for younger kids)

Our SuperVerse for **Solomon** is <u>1 Kings 3:12a (NLT)</u>

"I will give you what you asked for! I will give you a wise and understanding heart!"

Our monthly verse for October is Exodus 20:12-17a (ESV)

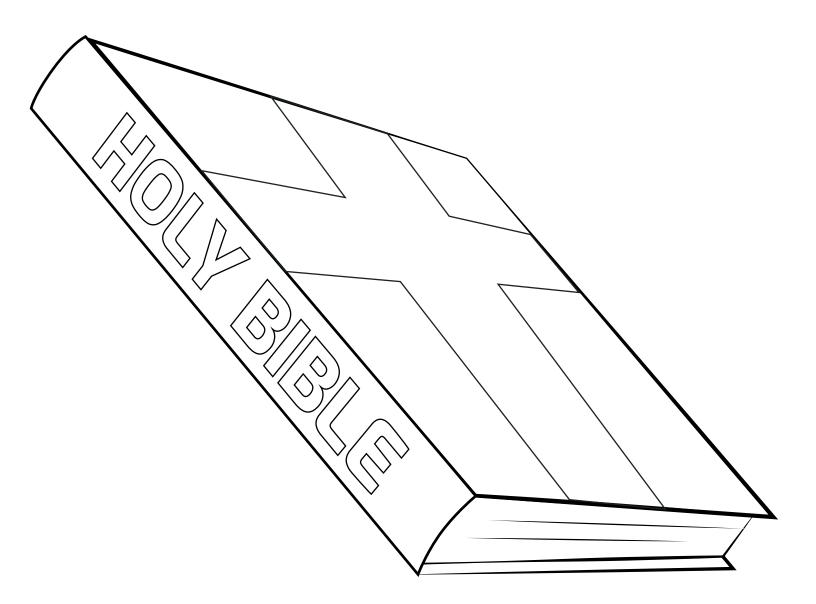
"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet.."

#### Prayer & Send Off

Ask for several praises & prayer requests. Explain that a *praise* is something we are thankful God has done and want to give him glory for, and a *prayer request* is asking God to help with a problem.

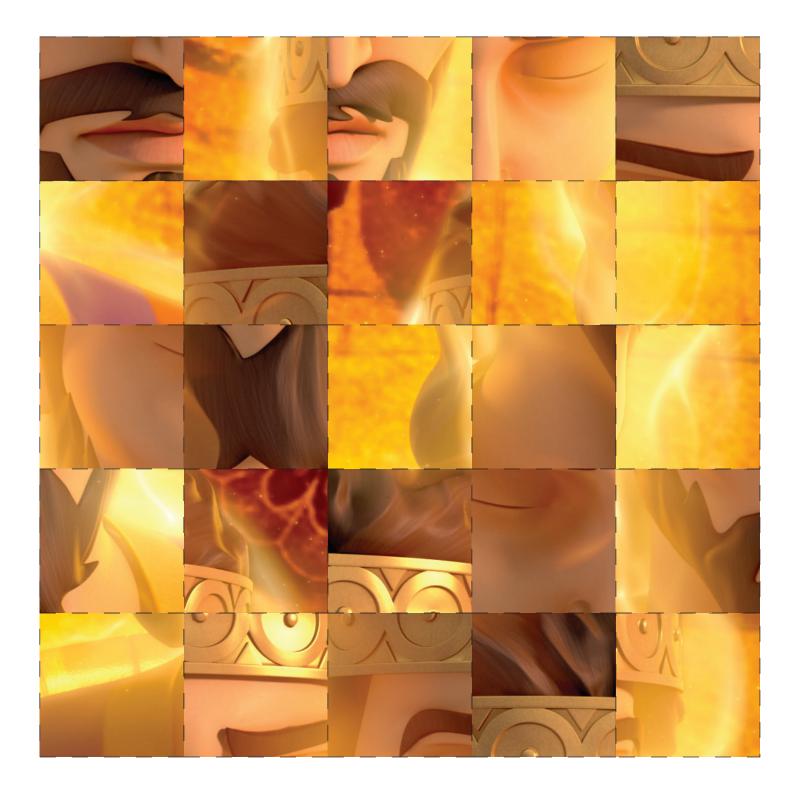
Dear God, give me wisdom in the decision I have to make. Help me to know what you would have me to do. Also dear God we want to pray for... and praise you for... In Jesus' name, Amen.

- Solomon Bible Coloring Page
- Solomon Puzzle
- Wisdom Bookmark Pattern



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