Lesson Plan

Solomon Asks for Wisdom

THE SERIES: God's Way
THE POINT: God gives wisdom
BIBLE STORY: Solomon Chooses Wisdom || 1 Kings 3:3–14
AGE: Prep - Grade 2

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Children will learn that Solomon asked God for wisdom instead of riches or power.
- They will understand that wisdom helps us make good choices.
- They will learn that we can ask God for wisdom when we need help making decisions.

BIBLE CONTEXT

After King David died, his son Solomon became the new king of Israel. Solomon was still young and had a very important job leading God's people. One night God spoke to Solomon in a dream and told him he could ask for anything he wanted. Solomon did not ask for riches, power, or a long life. Instead, Solomon asked God to give him wisdom so he could lead the people well and make good decisions. God was pleased that Solomon asked for wisdom. God gave Solomon great wisdom and understanding, and Solomon became known as one of the wisest kings in the Bible.

SERIES MEMORY VERSE

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; don't rely on your own intelligence." — Proverbs 3:5

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"If any of you needs wisdom, ask God." — James 1:5a

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

Explain that the leader will read the memory verse, but leave out one word. The children must listen carefully and try to guess which word is missing. Start by reading the verse and skipping one word.

Example:
"If any of you needs ____, ask God."
Let the children guess the missing word (wisdom).
Next, read the verse again but skip two words.

Example:
"If any of you ____ ____, ask God."

Continue the game by skipping more words each time and letting the children work together to remember the verse.

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SMALL GROUP GUIDE

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START THE CONVERSATION

- Have you ever had to make a choice and weren't sure what the right thing to do was?

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- God told Solomon he could ask for anything he wanted. What did Solomon choose to ask for, and why do you think that was important?
- Solomon asked God for wisdom so he could make good choices and lead people well. What do you think wisdom helps us do in our lives?
- James 1:5 says that if we need wisdom, we can ask God. What are some situations where we might need God's help to make a wise choice?

PERSONAL LIFE APPLICATION

Solomon knew that leading the people of Israel was a big responsibility. Instead of asking for things that would make him powerful or rich, Solomon asked God for wisdom. Wisdom helps us know what is right and helps us make good choices. The Bible teaches us that if we need wisdom, we can ask God for it. When we pray and ask God for help, He guides us and helps us learn to make wise choices.

GAME

You can find a list of small group games at https://lmnetwork.com.au/small-group-games/

PRAY

Go around the class asking your kids if there is anything they would like prayer for. Ask if anyone would like to pray for each other, and give them the opportunity to. If not, then pray for the needs as the teacher / facilitator. Take note of any prayer requests to be passed onto your child's support network.

This weeks prayer example:

Dear God,
Thank You that You give wisdom to those who ask You. Help us make good choices and trust You to guide us each day.
Amen

Lesson WRAP-UP

Take photos of any art or creations created by your children that they would like to share with The Link Show. Images can be submitted to thelinkshow@lmnetwork.com.au

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CRAFT

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Supplies Needed

- God Gives Me Wisdom printable
- Colouring materials
- Optional - googly eyes & String

STEPS

- Give each child a 'God Gives Me Wisdom' page to colour in and cut around the edges.
- Kids can add googly eyes to the owl
- Kids can then stick string to the craft to make a wall hanger

SEND IT TO THE LINK CREW

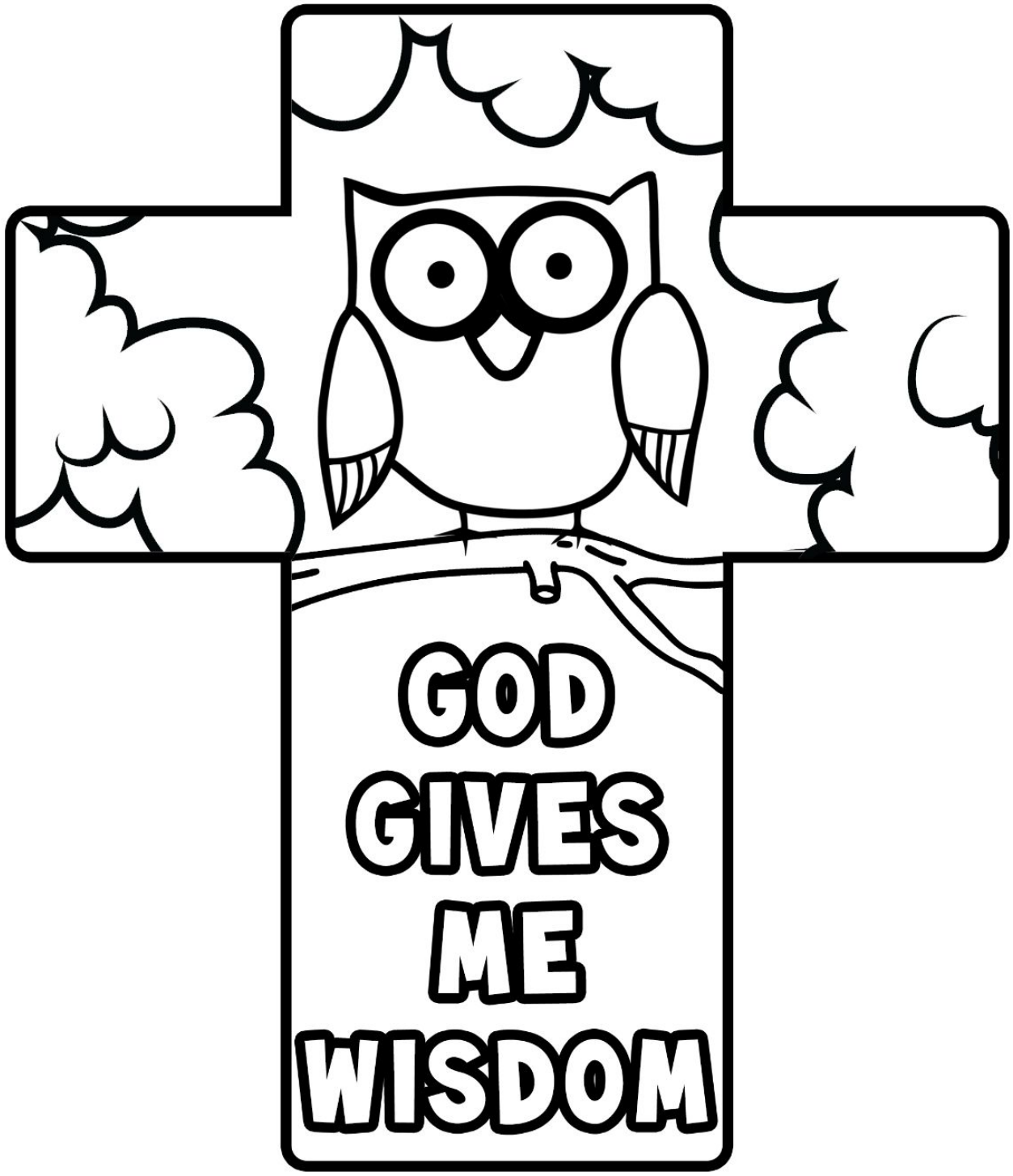
- Take a photo of your students crafts (Without the students face or identifying features) and email to thelinkshow@lmnetwork.com.au







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BIBLE BOOKLET INSTRUCTIONS

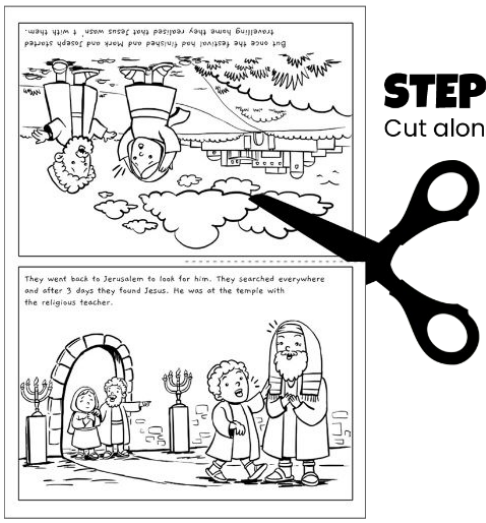
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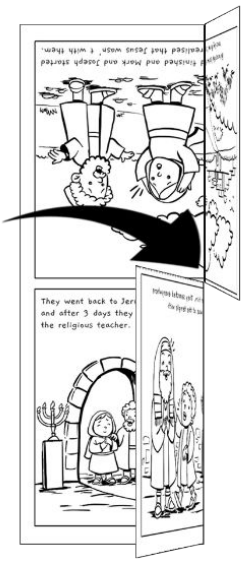
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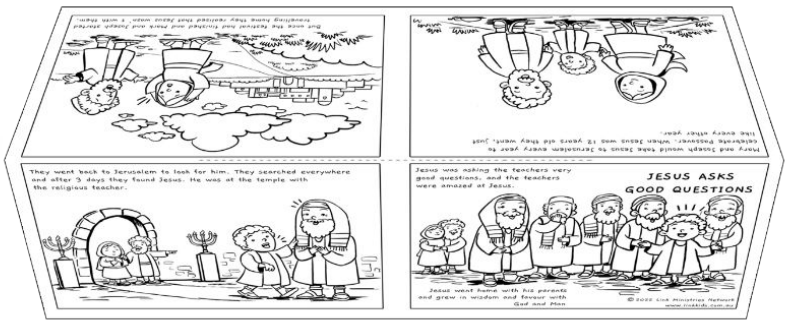
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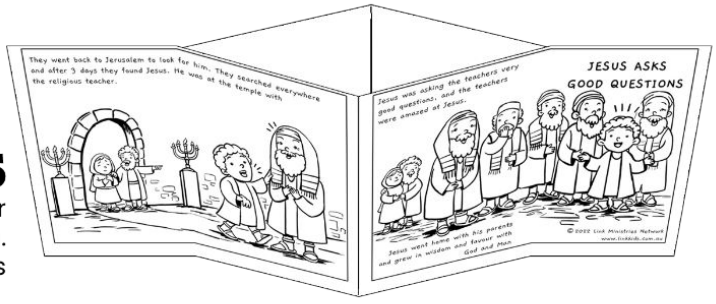
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STEP 4

Open page, then fold along the long edge



STEP 5

Push the short edges towards each other allowing the centre cut to open like a diamong. Continue unil the diamond becomes pages

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SOLOMON ASKS FOR WISDOM

God gave Solomon wisdom, and also gave him the things he didn't ask for. When Solomon woke up he went to Jerusalem to worship and thank God.

Solomon loved and obeyed God. God blessed him and made Solomon one of the most powerful kings in the world.

One night, God appeared to Solomon in a dream. God said, "What do you want? Ask of anything and I will give it to you."

Solomon replied to God, "Lord I feel like a child and don't know how to do my duties properly. Please give me wisdom so I can lead your people." God was happy with his request.

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