

# THE BIG IDEA

When we need help, we can ask for God's guidance.

# THE BIBLE

Solomon Becomes King: I Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

### MEMORY VERSE | I Corinthians 10:31 (NIV)

• This month's memory verse is: "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

### **WELCOME TIME**

• Today's Bible story is going to be about how King Solomon needed a lot more help than what his friends could give him. We'll find out who he asked, and what he asked for!

## **TEACHING TIME**

## BIBLE STORY | Solomon Becomes King

- Last time, we heard about how Solomon's brother Adonijah tried to become king all on his own, but that was not what God wanted. Through the help of some good friends, Solomon became the next king after his father, David. [Put on cape and crown.]
- King Solomon loved God and wanted to be a very good king to his people. But he wasn't sure if he knew enough to be a great king like his father was. All that thinking made him sleepy. So, he went to sleep. [Remove crown, lay down on pillow, use the cape as a blanket, and hug the plush doll.]
- While Solomon was sleeping, God came and spoke to him in his dream! God told Solomon he could ask for anything he wanted! [Sit up in a praying position.]
  - If you could ask God for anything you wanted, what would you ask God for?
  - o Those are all fun ideas! But Solomon asked for something very different. He asked for something called, "wisdom."
  - o Does anyone know what wisdom means?

- Wisdom means knowing what the best choice is to make in every situation.
  Solomon knew to be a good king, he would need to make lots of wise and good choices!
- God was very happy Solomon asked for wisdom, even though he could have asked for anything in the whole world. Soon, Solomon became the wisest, richest, most famous king ever! [Stand up, put the crown and cape back on.]
- Solomon knew who to turn to for the answer. Asking God is always the best choice!

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### VIDEO | Famous, Episode 3

- It's wonderful that God gives us friends and other people to help us when we need it. But our best help comes from God, who helps us make wise choices in everything we do!
- So, before you ask anyone else, remember that when we need help, we can ask God for guidance!

#### PRAYER

• Dear God, thank you for always guiding us and helping us make the best choices. There are many people who can help us but help us to remember to always ask you first because you always have the answer! Amen.

## **DISCUSSION TIME**

- What did Solomon ask God for? Yup! He asked God to make him wise so he could be a good king.
- Solomon asked God for wisdom because he knew God was the only one who could help him make the right choices as king. When we need help, we can ask for God's guidance.
- If you were Solomon, what do you think you would have asked God for?
- When do you need help?
- Who can help you make the best choices?

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- This month's memory verse is: "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."
- Let's take turns walking along this memory verse "Walk of Fame" together and say the word of the memory verse that we step on!