

Puppet Review Script

Puppet One: Hi, everyone! It's time for you to review your lessons, right?

Teacher or Students: Yes, it is!

Puppet Two: (*Jump around excitedly.*) Yay! I've been dying to find out if David ever got to be king!

Puppet One: Oh, yeah. Last time, you told us King Saul threw a spear at David and chased him all over the place.

Puppet Two: Right! What happened? Did Saul get him? Did he get Saul?

Puppet One: I think King Saul died in a battle.

Teacher: That's right. David was really sad that both Saul and Jonathan died.

Puppet One: So David became king then?

Teacher: Only over a small part of Israel. The tribe of Judah made David their king. But later, God finally had David crowned as king over all Israel.

Puppet Two: Wow! How long did David have to wait to become king?

Puppet One: Let's see. Wasn't he about 15 when he was anointed?

Teacher: Yes. Then he was about 30 when he became king over Israel.

Puppet Two: Um, wait I got this. (*Mumble some numbers trying to do the math.*) He waited 110 years!

Puppet One: What? No, I don't think that's right.

Teacher: Actually, David waited about 15 years to become king.

Puppet Two: Oh, well that's still a long time to wait. I can hardly wait for my birthday, and that's in just two days! (*Shake with excitement.*)

Puppet One: David lived happily ever after, right?

Teacher: Not exactly. David was a good king, but he did sin. What made it worse was when he tried to hide his sin by doing something else that was bad.

Puppet One: Isn't that when God sent Nathan to tell him a story?

Teacher: Yes. Nathan told David about a rich man who had many sheep but took the one little lamb from the poor man to feed a guest.

Puppet Two: That's terrible!

Teacher: That's what David thought, too.

Puppet One: But then Nathan said, (*Use a low, manly voice.*) "You are the man!"

Teacher: David understood that God knew what he did, and he needed to ask God to forgive him.

Puppet Two: Was everything okay then?

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Puppet One: God forgave him, but then he had troubles later, right?

Teacher: One of those troubles was when his son Absalom tried to take over the throne.

Puppet Two: Oh no! Not more bad stuff.

Teacher: Well, when we sin, even though God forgives us, there are still consequences.

Puppet One: Consa—whatsis?

Teacher: Consequences—the things that happen because of what someone did.

Puppet Two: This is all so sad. *(Sniffle.)* I think I'm going to cry.

Teacher: But the good news is that God stopped Absalom from stealing the throne, and David continued to be king. David even wrote some psalms that praise God.

Puppet One: Those are in the Bible.

Puppet Two: That's cool!

Teacher: Another cool thing is when David's son Solomon became king. God told him he would give him anything he asked for.

Puppet One: Ooh! There's lots of stuff I'd ask for.

Puppet Two: Yeah, like all the candy I want—for life!

Teacher: That may not be the best choice if you want to stay healthy and strong. Solomon didn't ask for candy; he asked God for wisdom. And God made him become the wisest man to ever live.

Puppet One: Wow! But wait a sec. What is wisdom?

Puppet Two: I think it's like being super smart.

Teacher: Not quite. Wisdom helps us understand what's right and wrong and what to do to please God.

Puppet One: Oh! So, if I had a big decision to make, I could use wisdom to make the right choice?

Teacher: That's exactly right.

Puppet Two: But where do we get wisdom?

Puppet One: Can we ask God for it like Solomon did?

Teacher: Yes, you can. God says if you lack wisdom, you should ask him. He promises to give it to those who ask. But God has also given us wisdom in his Word.

Puppet Two: So we can read the Bible to find wisdom?

Teacher: Yes! God wants us to search his Word as if we were searching for treasure.

Puppet One: Wow! I guess Solomon must have done a super great job if God gave him so much wisdom.

Teacher: He started out doing really well, but then he began to disobey God's commands.

Puppet Two: Oh no! Not again.

Puppet One: God had to punish him, didn't he?

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Teacher: Yes. The sad thing is that our sins can affect others, too.

Puppet Two: You mean his sins ended up hurting someone else?

Teacher: That's what I mean. God took the kingdom away from Solomon's son Rehoboam and gave it to another man named Jeroboam.

Puppet One: Didn't Rehoboam get anything?

Teacher: He was king over the tribe of Judah.

Puppet Two: That means Israel was split in two, with two different kings!

Teacher: The whole country was hurt by Solomon's sin.

Puppet One: Wow. I guess we really need to be careful of what we do.

Puppet Two: Yeah! Or we could mess up a lot of things!

Teacher: That's a good lesson for us all to remember.

Puppet One/Two: Thanks for telling us all about David and Solomon.

Teacher: You're welcome! See you next time.