



Solomon's Wisdom

October 28, 2018

1 Kings 3:4-9, (10-15), 16-28

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

O Lord, your wisdom is often beyond our grasp. Give us discerning minds to know your will, and willing hearts to carry it out, for the sake of your son, Jesus. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David... Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" (1 Kings 3:5-6a, 9)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Solomon dreams that he has asked God for wisdom. Upon waking, however, he encounters a dilemma which will test the limits of that dream with some very real consequences.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Where do you see justice carried out in your community? Where do you see injustice? What might you do to further the work of justice in your community?

What does wisdom mean to you? How can you use your wisdom to do God's work?

For the littles: Who is the wisest person you know? God gives people wisdom, and will give you wisdom, too.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God grant you wisdom. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Make a list of strengths you possess. If you do this activity with your household, list the strengths of others and share them. Keep the list visible this week so you can be reminded that you are God's worker.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, 1 Kings 6:1-22, *Solomon Builds the Temple*

Tuesday, 1 Kings 8:1-13, *Dedication of the Temple*

Wednesday, 1 Kings 8:54-61, *Solomon Blesses the Assembly*

Thursday, 1 Kings 10:1-13, *Visit of the Queen of Sheba*

Friday, 1 Kings 10:14-29, *Visit of the Queen of Sheba*

Saturday, 1 Kings 11:1-13, *Solomon's Errors*