

## City LG—August 7th-9th, 2021

**Today's Bible Story:** Wildest Dreams (Solomon Asks God for Wisdom) • 1 Kings 3:4-28

**Today's Bottom Line:** Trust God to give you wisdom.

**Monthly Memory Verse:** *If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it. He will give it to you. God gives freely to everyone and doesn't find fault.* James 1:5 (NIV)

### **WORSHIP: Chasing Me and Shine a Light**

"Hello everyone! So good to see you today! As some of you know, we are searching for something very important this month. Something that God gives to us if we just ask Him. Wisdom! Here's what we're saying Wisdom is..."

#### **CG: Wisdom SLIDE**

So how DO we find God's wisdom? Well, maybe we can find a clue if we look at what happened with one of the wisest people who ever lived—King Solomon. (*Hold up Bible.*)

"Solomon was the son of King David. When David died, Solomon became king. At the time, he was still a young man. David had tried really hard to teach Solomon how to listen to God and obey God's laws. And Solomon really wanted to be a good king who followed God.

"One day, Solomon went to Gibeon and offered sacrifices to honor God. This was something that kings did back then, to show God and other people that they wanted to trust and follow God."

"To tell you what happened next, I'll need a little help from this week's video. Take a look!"

#### **CG: Lesson Video (Runtime: 6:00)**

"Talk about wisdom! All of God's people heard about Solomon's decision, and they knew they could trust that he would judge them fairly.

"Solomon trusted that God is the source of all wisdom. He believed that God could give him the wisdom he needed to rule over the people. And sure enough, God made Solomon so wise that his understanding couldn't even be measured—like the sand on the seashore!

"Remember this . . .

#### **SLIDE: Bottom Line**

**[Bottom Line]** "Trust God to give you wisdom.

"That's what Solomon did; and it's what we can do, too. Let's pray."

**PRAY:** "Dear God, thank You so much for the story of Solomon. Thank You for giving him wisdom to know how to judge fairly. Please help us have wisdom, too. Sometimes we have to make decisions, and we're not sure what to do. Help us be wise and trust You to give us wisdom when we need it. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

“Solomon knew something important. He knew that ALL wisdom comes from God. When God gave him the chance to ask for anything he wanted, Solomon knew exactly what to ask for. He trusted God to give him the wisdom he needed—and God gave it to him! And before too long, Solomon had a chance to put that wisdom into action with a VERY wise ruling about the mom and her baby.

“We can ask God for wisdom, just like Solomon did. We can remember that God is always with us, and that **we can trust Him no matter what**. We can believe that He’ll always be there to help us **make the wise choice**.

“Remember . . .

**SLIDE: Bottom Line**

**[Bottom Line] “Trust God to give you wisdom.**

“As you continue to grow in your relationship with God, your wisdom will continue to grow. So if you have a problem or a tough decision, talk to God about it. Ask Him for wisdom so that you know what to do.

“Our memory verse, James 1:5, will help us remember what to do if we need wisdom. Let’s read it together.

**SLIDE: Memory Verse**

*“If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it. He will give it to you. God gives freely to everyone and doesn’t find fault, James 1:5. (NirV)*

“And remember, God has put people in your life who can help you **make the wise choice**—like your family members and your leaders here at church.

“Now, before we head to Small Group and talk about how we can trust God to give us wisdom, it’s offering time!”

#### **OFFERING:**

Here in Parkview Kids, we bring our offering each week to help support (your Campus Child) learn more about Jesus just like we do here in Parkview Kids. Here’s a picture of (your Campus Child)! If you brought your offering, you can bring it up now while this video plays!”

Orland Park: Michael and Valeri

New Lenox: Daniel

Homer Glen: Victor

**CG: One Thing Video (Runtime: 4:00)**

**(VIDEO can be cut short if you need the time)**