

# OCTOBER 2025

## WISDOM

### finding out God's best and doing it

How many times recently have you heard someone say "you do you" or "live your truth"? Though it's true God has created each of us uniquely, it all falls apart if we don't seek wisdom from God in everything we do. Jesus showed us perfectly what a wise life looks like: stay connected to God and seek God's best in every circumstance. Then follow through and do it! As we continue to journey with God's people through Scripture, we meet the kings of Israel and Judah, those who made wise choices and those whose foolish choices brought down a nation. Through the lives of David and Solomon, we also take a look at the Bible's wisdom literature in the Psalms and Proverbs. Kids will discover that true wisdom comes through constant connection with God, and they will find that He wants us to ask for wisdom and delights to give it.

**WEEK 1:** Samuel Anoints David  
(*1 Samuel 16:1-13*)

God can help you make the wise choice.

**WEEK 2:** David and the Psalms  
(*Psalms 1:1-4*)

If you want to be wise, focus on God.

**WEEK 3:** Solomon Chooses Wisdom  
(*1 Kings 3:4-15; supporting Proverbs 15:1, 3:5-6; 17:17*)

You can ask God for wisdom.

**WEEK 4:** The Kings  
(*1 & 2 Kings*)

Be wise because your choices matter.

### MEMORY VERSE:

"It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose understanding than silver."

Proverbs 16:16, NIV

# ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



## MORNING TIME

As your kid starts his day, tell him, "God can help you make wise choices today. Don't forget to ask Him for wisdom!"



## MEAL TIME

At a meal this month, have everyone at the table answer these questions: "When you need to make a decision, how do you determine which one to choose? How can God help you?"



## DRIVE TIME

While on the go, ask your kid, "What are some wise choices you've seen people make lately?"



## BED TIME

Pray for each other: "Father in heaven, help us make the wise choice with the decisions we will need to make this week."

## PARENT TIP:

This morning, I was incredibly frustrated with both of my sons. One of them was leaning toward laziness and fighting me tooth and nail to try and get out of a chore I had assigned him. The other one was inserting himself into the situation with self-righteous, verbal daggers aimed at his little brother. After calmly asking them both to stop their bad behavior, they thanked me for my wisdom and followed my instructions...Nope! That is NOT what happened...The reality is that they both doubled down on their bad behavior, and, unfortunately, I added my own bad behavior to the mix. Rather than asking God for His help and calmly finding a way forward, I caved in to my personal temptation, which is to lose my temper with both of them.

As I drove my older son to his soccer match, feeling awful about the whole thing, I knew I needed to apologize and repent. So, I prayed and asked God to forgive me. And then, I explained to my older son that my behavior was just as bad as his and his brother's, and that we all have things we need to work to submit to the Lord. I asked for his forgiveness. (I also used my cell phone for good, and contacted my younger son to have the same conversation.) When we got home, the chore had been completed, no one used words as weapons, and I maintained my self-control. Praise God!

The point of this story is that we all fall short. But in our worst moments, God is still with us, waiting for us to turn to Him in repentance. One of the wisest things you can do for your kids is to model that for them. So, the next time you find yourself exhibiting less than stellar behavior as a parent, quickly repent and explain to your kids that repenting is what Christians do. It's part of our lifestyle because we all want to be more and more like Jesus every day, and less and less like our old, sinful selves. You can't change your child's heart, but you can model a life in which you let God change yours.