











## Theme: Wisdom Solomon's dream 1 Kings 3: 5-14



1 <b>Snack idea</b>	Biscuits, toast or ...	Wise choices! Lots of healthy snacks – fruit, veg, breadsticks	
2 <b>Craft or Game</b>	Craft  Game	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decorate a "treasure box" glue on the Bible verse 'Wisdom is better than gold' Prov 16:16.</li> <li>Take it in turns to be the leader of Simon says – only choose wise things for the people to do.</li> </ul>	 
3 <b>Lighting the candle</b>	Use the same words as the school when lighting the candle.		 
4 <b>Welcome</b>	Song: Prayer:	You could use ' <a href="#">welcome everybody</a> ' by Fischy music You could use this <a href="#">gathering prayer</a> by Sam Hargreaves	 
5 <b>Collect</b>	Say: A collect is a gathering prayer	The collect for the day can be found here: <a href="#">Join us in a service of Daily Prayer   The Church of England</a> , then select Morning Prayer and scroll to the end to find the collect.	  
6 <b>Bible passage</b>	Say: We are reading a story (that has been adapted) from the Bible today so that we can hear God's word and learn about Him.	1 Kings 3: 5-14 Solomon's dream Ideas to re-tell the story: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Watch the Saddleback kids story here: <a href="https://youtu.be/ihnnK9vQ3nM">https://youtu.be/ihnnK9vQ3nM</a></li> </ul>	 
7 <b>Biblical link</b>	Why it matters	<p>What is wisdom? Play game/quiz to help understand the difference between wisdom and knowledge. There are some good quizzes online about whether a saying is a Proverb or something Yoda from Star Wars says - make sure this suits your context! Or play a game of 'Would you rather?' giving lots of opportunity for people to make choices.</p> <p>Explain that Proverbs are a collection of wise sayings in the Bible, many written by King Solomon, to help us understand what is important in life and how to make good decisions.</p> <p>Explain that wisdom is not about how clever we are; one definition is - knowing (judging/deciding) the difference between right and wrong and being able to do the right thing. King Solomon knew that the most important thing in life was to have wisdom – not money or fame. He had to use wisdom all the time in dealing with people. Wisdom is an important way to live 'life to the full' and to help others to do the same.</p> <p>Where and when do you need to use wisdom? Have a think/chat about that now.</p>	 
8 <b>Take away response</b>	Say: How will you respond to the message we have heard from God today?	Discuss - How can you be wiser? Write the names of 2 people who have to make hard decisions that you would like to pray for before we meet again.	  

9 Prayer

Say: We say prayers to talk to God ...

Interactive prayer idea:  
Mexican Wave Prayers start the Mexican wave on the phrases praise, ask and thank.

We praise you God because you are \_\_\_\_\_

We ask that you will help \_\_\_\_\_

We thank you for \_\_\_\_\_



10 Song

Say: We sing songs to praise God and thank God

The wise man built his house upon the rock.  
Our God is a great big God  
Our God is an awesome God



11 The Lord's Prayer

Use the same version as the school.

Ask people to pray using whichever version they know



12 Blessing

Say: We are now to go out, empowered by Jesus' special presence with us.

O Lord, we seek Your wisdom. Thank You for the blessing of wisdom. Help us to walk in Your ways. Help us to search, seek and pray for wisdom, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



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