

Loving Hearts & Working Hands



Parents' Page

Lesson 12

Solomon Becomes the King

Your child should understand...

Faith — Loving and worshiping the Lord

Your child should be able to...

1. Identify who became king after David.
2. Identify who built God's temple.
3. Describe what King Solomon did after the temple was finished.

Your child should be able to say...

1 Kings 2:1-3

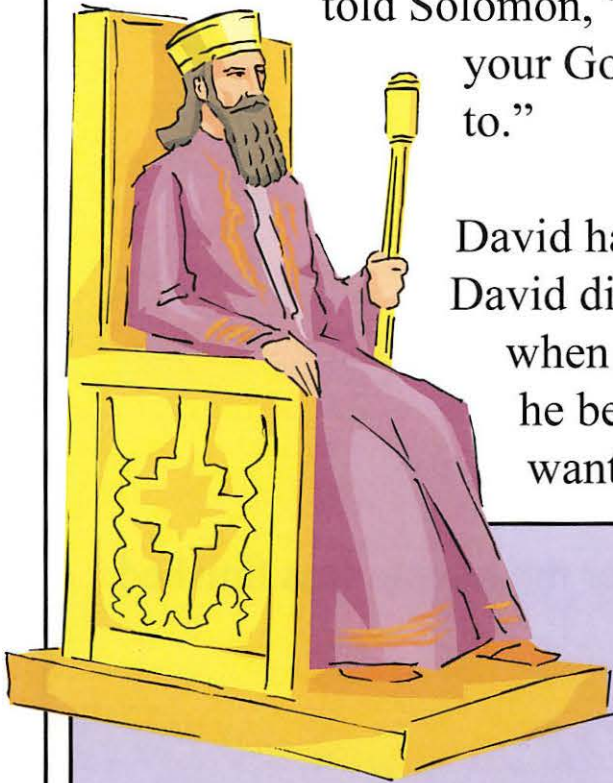
"... David ... gave orders to his son Solomon. He said, 'I'm about to die. So be strong. Do everything the Lord your God requires. Live the way He wants you to.'"

Please read to your child...

- 1 1 Chronicles 28:1-3, 9-10; 1 Chronicles 29:16
- 2 1 Kings 2:1-3, 10-12; 1 Kings 3:5, 9-10, 12-13
- 3 1 Kings 4:29; 1 Kings 6:1, 38; 1 Kings 7:1, 51
- 4 1 Kings 8:1, 3-4, 6, 9-10, 14
- 5 1 Kings 8:57-58, 61

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God chose David's son Solomon to be the next king of Israel after David. When David was about to die, he talked to Solomon. David told Solomon, "... be strong. Do everything the Lord your God requires. Live the way He wants you to."



David had ruled as king of Israel for forty years. David died and was buried in Jerusalem. So when Solomon was about twenty years old, he became king. Solomon loved God and wanted to do what was right.

Circle the name of the man who became king of Israel after David died:

Samuel

Saul

Solomon

One night, God spoke to Solomon in a dream. God told Solomon that He was pleased with Solomon's worship. God told Solomon that He would give him anything he wanted.

Now Solomon could have asked God for money and honor or for a long life. But he didn't ask for any of those things! Solomon asked God to give him a wise and understanding heart so that he could tell the difference between good and evil. Solomon knew he needed wisdom more than he needed anything else.

The Lord was pleased with Solomon for not asking for money or honor or a long life. So the Lord decided to give Solomon wisdom and riches and honor and a long life, too.

King Solomon built a beautiful temple for God on top of a mountain called Moriah. Building the temple was a hard job for many men. They didn't use any hammers or nails to build it! Inside and outside, the building was covered with pure gold. After seven years, the temple was finished. There was no other building in the world that was as beautiful. No other building in the world had cost as much. The people gathered together with King Solomon in front of them. He prayed to the Lord to ask Him to bless the temple and all those who came to worship God.

Who built God's temple? _____

Be ready to tell the class what King Solomon did after the temple was finished.



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Memory Verses:

Are you ready to **say your memory verses in Bible class without any help?** It's time!

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Working Hard on Bible Facts

What is the book of **Leviticus** about?
(Being holy; priests and sacrifices)

What are the names of **the twelve apostles Jesus chose?**
(Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon, Judas)

On your Bible map, use **your first two fingers** to show the way **Israel left Egypt, crossed the Red Sea, went to Mount Sinai, wandered in the Wilderness, and went into Canaan.** Now show where **Moab** and **Mount Nebo** are on the Bible map.