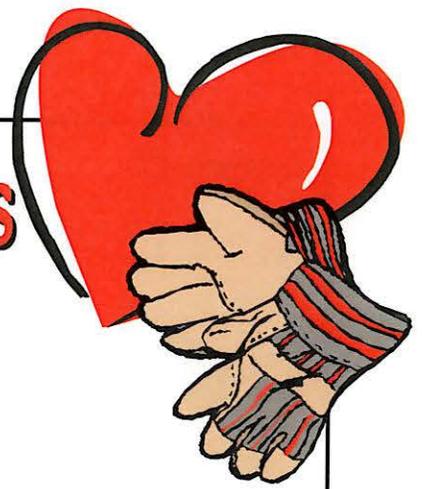


# Loving Hearts & Working Hands



## Parents' Page

### Lesson 13

## Wise King Solomon is Foolish

### Your child should understand...

Faith — Following God our whole life

### Your child should be able to...

1. Identify what Solomon worshiped instead of the one true God.
2. Identify who caused Solomon to turn away from God.
3. Describe how God felt when Solomon worshiped idols.
4. Tell why Solomon's kingdom was divided.

### Your child should be able to say...

1 Samuel 12:24

"But be sure to have respect for the Lord. Serve Him faithfully. Do it with all your heart. Think about the great things he has done for you."

1 Samuel 16:7

"But the Lord said to Samuel, 'I do not look at the things people look at. Man looks at how someone appears on the outside. But I look at what is in the heart.'"

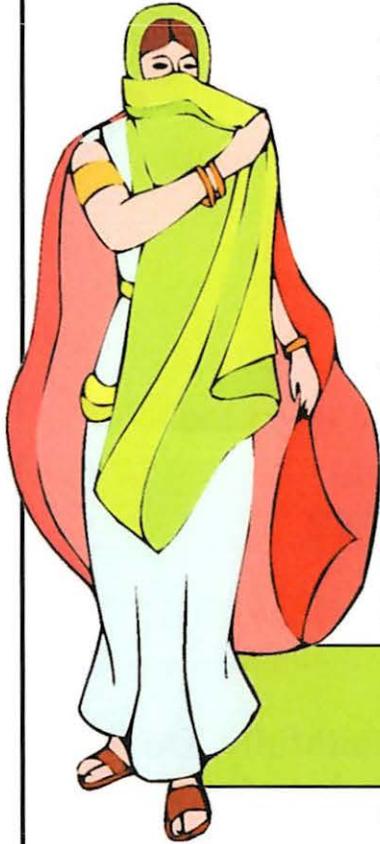
1 Kings 2:1-3

"... 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 Kings 9:1-4, 8-9
- 2 1 Kings 10:1-4, 8-9, 13
- 3 1 Kings 10:23-25
- 4 1 Kings 11:1-4, 6, 11
- 5 1 Kings 11:29-31, 34, 37-38, 40

## Wise King Solomon is Foolish



After Solomon had been king of Israel for a while, he began to disobey God. Solomon married many women from other nations. God had said not to marry them because they worshiped idols. Solomon allowed his wives to worship idols. Solomon built places to worship the idols. All the women that Solomon married turned his heart away from God. Solomon had been blessed by God with a lot of money and power, but Solomon disobeyed God. Solomon used his money and power to do wrong.

### Who turned Solomon's heart away from God?

The Lord had warned Solomon about disobeying, but Solomon didn't listen. It made God sad and angry to see Solomon disobey Him and worship idols.

**What did Solomon worship instead of the one true God?**

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**How did God feel when Solomon worshiped idols?**

God told Solomon that Solomon's kingdom would be "torn" from his hands. God would give the kingdom to Solomon's servant Jeroboam. This would leave only the tribes of Judah and Benjamin for Solomon's son when he became king.

A prophet met Jeroboam outside Jerusalem. The prophet tore a new coat into twelve pieces, like the twelve tribes of Israel. He gave Jeroboam ten pieces. This meant that God would give Jeroboam ten tribes of Israel to rule after Solomon died. When Solomon found out that Jeroboam wanted to be king, he planned to kill Jeroboam. Jeroboam ran away to Egypt to stay until Solomon died.

King Solomon died when he was sixty years old. He was buried in Jerusalem. Solomon had not served God with a loving and obedient heart all his life. How sad! So now the kingdom of Israel would be divided.

**Why was Solomon's kingdom divided?**



*Lesson 13*

## **Wise King Solomon is Foolish**

### **Memory Verses:**

Can you still say **all of your memory verses**? Try it!

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1 Samuel 16:7

“But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘I do not look at the things people look at. Man looks at how someone appears on the outside. But I look at what is in the heart.’”

1 Kings 2:1-3

“The time came near for David to die ... So he 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.’”



## **Working Hard on Bible Facts**

What is the book of **Numbers** about? (Spying out the Promised Land; wandering in the Wilderness)

Ask your mother or daddy to help you **call someone on the phone, and say all the books of the whole Bible for them!**

On your **Bible map**, let your **hand “float”** over the **Mediterranean Sea**.

**YOU HAVE WORKED HARD ON THE  
BIBLE FACTS! GREAT JOB!!!**