

# Lesson 13

Solomon Prays for Wisdom  
1 Kings 3:5–15; Proverbs 3:1–12

## ACTIVITIES

Choose from the following activities and crafts to help connect Bible learning to life.

### The Weight of the Crown

Have children draw and decorate a crown. Say, **King Solomon asked for wisdom because he wanted to be a good king. What does a wise king do?** (He cares for his people, protects them, helps them, makes good rules, listens to God.) **God makes us wise through His Word. He changes our hearts and helps us do good things.** Discuss ways children can be wise. Remind them of God’s forgiveness when they don’t act in wise ways.



### Brain Talk

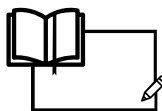
Search online for a video that explains to children how the brain works. Use a closed fist to show when the brain is able to make wise choices. Our “wise leader” is in charge. We feel happy and safe. We can think of good things to do. Open palm and spread fingers to demonstrate when the brain is in “fight or flight” mode. When we are sad or mad, we can’t solve problems. Talk about what to do to get the wise leader back (ask for help, pray, etc.).



### Proverbs Power

Encourage children to skim the Book of Proverbs, or Proverbs 3:1–12 if time or attention is short, and select one proverb they like.

Encourage children to memorize and share their proverb with their friends or other family members. Have them write their proverb on a piece of drawing paper and illustrate it with stylized letters and pictures that show the meaning.



### Wise or Foolish Game

Say, **Let’s play a game. I will say things children do. If you think it is a wise choice, show me a thumbs-up. If you think it’s a bad choice, show a thumbs-down.** Examples of situations: **I put my dirty clothes in the hamper. (Up) I don’t share my toys. (Down) I pick up my toys when Mom tells me to. (Up) I hit my sister. (Down)** Say, **God gives us a wise heart through His Word.**

