

# LESSON 10

## SOLOMON'S WISDOM IS TESTED

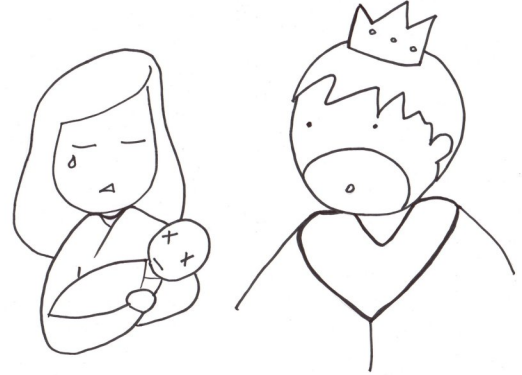
### Worksheets

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## SOLOMON'S WISDOM IS TESTED

### First Woman's Testimony

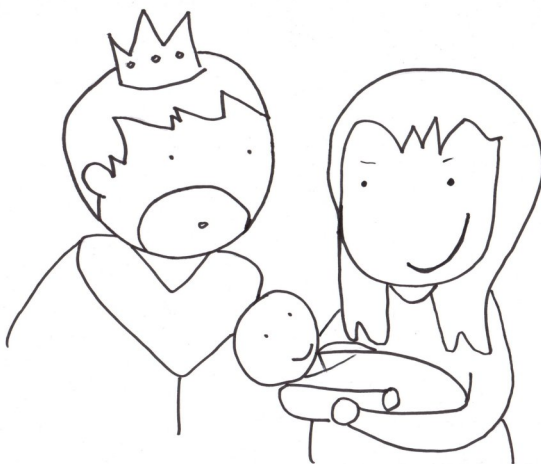
**Statement:** The other woman and I dwell in the same house and I gave birth while she was in it. \_\_\_\_\_ days later, she also gave birth. There were only the two of us in the house. And this woman's son died because she lay on him in the middle of the night. So she woke up, came to my room and took my \_\_\_\_\_ from my side while I was \_\_\_\_\_. Then, she laid my baby in her bosom and her dead child in my bosom. And when I woke up the next morning to nurse my son, I found out that he was \_\_\_\_\_. But when I was examined him, I realized that the baby wasn't my son. This \_\_\_\_\_ child belongs to the other woman and the \_\_\_\_\_ child is my son. (vv. 19-21)



**Judgment:** She is / is not the living child's mother. (Circle the right answer.)

**Reasons:** She yearned with \_\_\_\_\_ for the baby so that he would not be killed but rather be given to the other woman. (v. 26)

### Second Woman's Testimony



**Statement:** The first woman and I dwell in the same house, and we both gave birth around the same time. Her child is \_\_\_\_\_ and my child is alive.

**Judgment:** She is / is not the living child's mother. (Circle the right answer.)

**Reasons:** She didn't care if the baby was going to be \_\_\_\_\_ in half. She'd rather the living child be dead than to give the first woman the baby. (v. 26)

Understanding  
**WISDOM** from **GOD:**  
 to judge  
 between  
**TRUTH & ERROR**

Proverbs 2:9 teaches us that one of the fruits of godly wisdom is the ability to understand righteousness and justice. The Hebrew word used here is bin, meaning "to consider carefully, to investigate and to pay close attention to."

**Instructions:** Study the following verses and fill in the blanks using the words below.

choices	foolishness	discern
Holy Spirit	different	judge

*"For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." (1 Cor 3:19a)*

*"Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?" (1 Cor 1:20)*

1. Wisdom from God is \_\_\_\_\_ from the knowledge of the world. In God's eyes, wisdom of this world is \_\_\_\_\_. But those who are spiritual understand that wisdom from above is far more superior.

*"From where then does wisdom come? And where is the place of understanding? It is hidden from the eyes of all living. [...] 'Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom, and to depart from evil is understanding.'" (Job 28:20-21, 28)*

*"But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. But he who is spiritual judges all things." (1 Cor 2:14-15a)*

2. Wisdom is so important because having it is like having the ability to \_\_\_\_\_, that is, to judge, all things with godly wisdom rather than wisdom from this world. This ability is necessary for us to know how to make wise \_\_\_\_\_ in a world of increasing wickedness. In order to seek after godly wisdom, we must follow the word of God and depart from evil.

*"But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God." (1 Cor 2:10)*

*"For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God." (1 Cor 2:11)*

3. Wisdom from above is revealed to us through the \_\_\_\_\_. He searches all things spiritual and helps us understand the deep things of God.

## HOW CAN WE OBTAIN WISDOM FROM ABOVE?

**Instructions:** Read the following scenarios and answer the questions that follow.

### Scenario #1

Mary is eager to seek after God's wisdom, and she prays about it every day. Mary thinks that praying to God is the fastest way to obtain God's wisdom, and that reading the Bible is too slow because some Scripture is very difficult to interpret. Therefore, Mary never reads the Bible and believes that God will give her wisdom directly.



Reference Verse: "For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and of spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Heb 4:12)

### Discussion Questions

1. Do you agree with Mary that there is no need to read the Bible and that praying to God is the fastest way to obtain wisdom?
2. What does Mary lack in her pursuit of God's wisdom?

### Scenario #2

Helen studies the Bible on a regular basis with her family, as well as with brothers and sisters from church. She gets very excited every time when she learns something new from the Scripture. However, her knowledge of the Bible does not seem to reflect in her daily life. For example, she knows that God wants us to be gentle and slow to speak, but almost every day, she yells at her little brother and fights with him.



### Discussion Questions

1. What is wrong with Helen's pursuit of God's wisdom?
2. What changes can Helen make in her pursuit of God's wisdom?

WISDOM  
is from GOD!

"My son, if you receive my words, and treasure my commands within you, so that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; yes, if you cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding, if you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; then you will understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God." (Prov 2:1-5)

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# Homework Assignment

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Weekly Bible Reading:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bible Reading:** Check each box when you complete that day's reading.

**Prayer:** Check each box after you pray to God that day.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

## What I Learned from the Bible This Week

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## Memory Verse

Please write down this week's memory verse. (James 1:5)

\_\_\_\_\_

### Multiple Choice

1. \_\_\_\_\_ : The two women went to the king because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. They wanted the king to judge who the living child's mother was.
  - b. Their babies were missing.
  - c. They wanted the king to judge who killed the dead child.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ : The king judged that the first woman was the living child's mother because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. The baby looked more like the first woman.
  - b. God gave him instruction to do so.
  - c. The first woman yearned compassionately for the baby when the king wanted to divide the baby in half.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ : When the king commanded the baby to be divided in half, the second woman \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Started crying out of sadness
  - b. Did not care and told the king to go ahead and do it
  - c. Gave up and told the king the truth

### Short Answer

4. Why did King Solomon ask God for wisdom? What did he plan to use it on?
5. How did King Solomon glorify God with his judgship?
6. Why do we need wisdom from above?
7. How can wisdom from above be obtained?
8. How would you begin seeking after God's wisdom?