



God Talk At Home

This Week's Kingdom Quest Lesson:
Solomon Asks for a Listening Heart

Take Home Point:
Give me a heart that listens to you, oh, God.

Drive Time Home

Tickler Question: Ask your child what kind of heart Solomon asked for. (*1 Kings 3:9. He asked for a heart that listens to God.*) What is it about the book of Proverbs that matches the monthly calendar? (*There are 31 chapters—one for each day.*)

Select questions and adapt for your family.

God Time at Home

FOR STARTERS: Discuss what family members are looking forward to most this summer. Ask, "How busy do you think you will be? Not much? Some? Very busy? Will you too busy to spend a few minutes everyday listening to God?" Then say, "The reason we often don't spend time reading the Bible and praying is not because we're too busy, but because we don't make it important enough."

READ THE BIBLE: 1 Kings 3:4-28

KEY VERSE: 1 Kings 3:9, "Give me a heart that listens so that I can... tell the difference between good and evil."

TALK ABOUT IT: In a dream, God asked King Solomon what he could give him. What did Solomon ask God for? (*1 Kings 3:9. Solomon asked for a heart that listens so that he could judge the people and tell the difference between good and evil.*) What did the Lord give Solomon in addition to wisdom and understanding? (*1 Kings 3:13. God gave Solomon riches and honor so that no other king would be like him.*) What would God give Solomon if he obeyed God's laws and commands as David did? (*1 Kings 3:14. A long life.*) Why do you think God wanted Solomon to be greater than any other king? (*To show God blesses those who want to honor him. So others would wonder what made Solomon so successful.*) How did Solomon show his wisdom in judging the two women who claimed to be the live baby's mother? (*1 Kings 3:16-28. Solomon knew that a mother would not want her baby to die, so he did a test to see which one really loved the child.*) Why did the people respect Solomon for his decision in determining which woman was the live baby's real mother? (*1 Kings 3:28. They saw Solomon possessed wisdom from God to do what was right.*) What things should we ask from God to be like Solomon and know the difference between good and evil?

PRAYER POWER: Thank God that he loves us so much he wants to talk to us. Thank God that his word is his voice and will give us direction as well as understanding. Thank God for the Bible and for direct access to him through prayer.

Family Time Option

One day this week, try...

FAMILY TIME OPTIONS: Take a calendar and plan time that you will get together as a family and talk about family devotions and how each one is doing in their personal goals for listening to God, spending time in the Bible and in prayer everyday.

"Discovery Digs" Lesson 1