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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 12 • Session 1

SOLOMON BECAME KING

1 Kings 2-3

WHAT DOES GOD KNOW?

GOD KNOWS EVERYTHING ABOUT THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE.

When David had grown old, he called for his son Solomon to give him this message: "Be strong, my son, and keep your promise to the LORD to walk in His ways and obey His commandments."

Then David died, and Solomon became king over Israel. One night, the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream. God said, "Ask. What should I give you?"

Solomon replied, "You have shown great and faithful love to my father David because he was faithful to you and had a right heart before you. You have continued to show faithful love to him by giving him a son to sit on his throne.

"You have now made me king in my father's place. But I have no experience in leadership. So, give me a heart to judge the people and tell the difference between good and evil."

The Lord was pleased with Solomon's request. He said, "Because you have asked for wisdom to lead well instead of long life or riches, I will give you a wise and understanding heart. You will be wiser than anyone who has ever lived before. In addition, I will give you riches and honor. If you walk in my ways and keep my commands, I will give you a long life."

Solomon woke up. He went to Jerusalem, stood before the ark of the Lord's covenant, and presented burnt offerings.

Christ Connection: God gave Solomon wisdom to lead His people. Jesus is wisdom, and He leads those who trust in Him to eternal life. When we follow Jesus, we become wise.

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