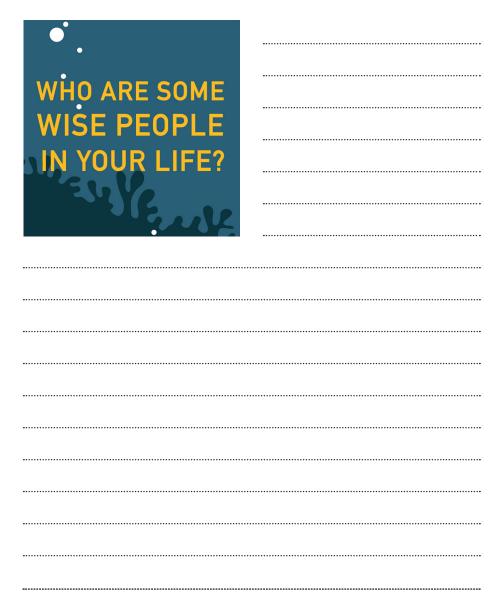
Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



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After watching, write one thing that:
1. You liked:
2. You learned:
3. You'd like to know:

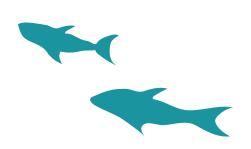
Read 2 Chronicles 10

In 2 Chronicles 10, Rehoboam had just become the new king of Israel. Before his reign though, there had been many evil kings who abused their power and mistreated the people. So what kind of king was Rehoboam going to be?

Rehoboam had two groups of people in his life: the wise, older counsel who had advised his father and his younger friends, who weren't exactly known for their wise advice. So when Rehoboam took their advice, there were negative consequences for him and the kingdom of Israel.

Rehoboam made one wise move: he consulted others for their wisdom instead of just assuming he knew what was best. But where he went wrong was seeking advice from unwise friends.

Who do you seek advice from in your life? Are they wise or unwise?



Day 3

Rehoboam was wise to seek advice from the people around him... where he went wrong was not choosing the right people to give him advice.

If he had started out by asking God for help in figuring out who would give him wise advice, perhaps Rehoboam would have accepted the elders' advice and he would have continued ruling over all the Israelites.

Is there a decision you need help making right now? If so, pray and ask God for help in making a wise decision. Even if you don't have a decision to make at the moment, you can pray and ask God to put wise people in your life. Choose the prayer below that most applies to your current situation and pray it out loud.

Dear God, I need help knowing _____

Please guide me to the wise decision, and to the wisest people you have put in my life so that I can seek their advice. In Jesus' Name, I pray. **Amen.**

Dear God, I want to be prepared with wise people in my life so that when challenging times or big decisions come, I know who I can turn to for wise advice. Please show me who those people are in my life. And please help me to be a wise friend who others can count on as well. In Jesus' Name, I pray.

Amen.

Day 4

Who are some wise people in your life?

Think about who in your life has helped you make wise choices before. Maybe it's a Small Group Leader who teaches you the truth about God. Perhaps it's a parent who gives you advice on your friendships. Maybe it's a friend who always encourages you to do the right thing. Make a list of as many wise people as you can think of. Then sometime today, reach out and thank that person for their influence on your life. It doesn't have to be anything elaborate—just send a text or message, call them, or tell them in person. It can be as simple as, "I am learning about wisdom at church right now, and I wanted to thank you for being a wise person in my life." (Hold on to the list of names you make because you'll need it for tomorrow.)



Day 5

Hang out with wise people.

Look back at the list of wise people you made yesterday. Are these people you normally spend a lot of time with? Figure out who on the list you probably should be spending more time hanging out with so that you can benefit from their wisdom. Reach out today and arrange a meetup with that person if possible. (Pro tip: ice cream or popsicles have been known to increase wisdom. Just kidding!) Even if you can't meet up, arrange a time to talk on the phone and catch up. When you do, talk with each other about what's going on in your lives. Ask for advice on anything you're unsure of in your life. To make sure you continue to seek wise advice, set up times in the future when you can check in with each other.