

LESSON 1

WISDOM COMES FROM GOD

LESSON AT A GLANCE

WONDER TRUTH: Wisdom Comes from God

SCRIPTURE: Proverbs 1

GOD'S BIG STORY: God—the source of all wisdom—calls us to live wisely. In the book of Proverbs, God invites us to become wise, to learn His ways, and to walk in His ways.

Activity: Create an Owl

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Activity: Follow Directions

Wonder@Home™

Designed for families to engage in the wonder of God together at home. This resource includes a video, worship playlists, activities, and more!

Activity: Create an Owl

SUPPLIES: play dough, feathers, googly eyes

Greet the kids warmly and welcome them to church.

Welcome! I'm so glad you're here today! We are going to have so much fun learning about wisdom.

Set out play dough, feathers, and googly eyes.

Encourage kids to create an owl using the play dough. Encourage them to use the feathers and googly eyes to add to their owls. It's OK if their owls don't look realistic. Allow them to be creative and use their imaginations.



Let's make an owl. Do you know what kind of animal an owl is? Allow kids to respond. **An owl is a special kind of bird. Owls have feathers. Can you add some feathers to your owl?** Show kids how to add feathers to their play dough owls. **Owls also have eyes, but their eyes do not move. Their heads can move almost all the way around. How far can you move your head?** Encourage kids to try. Give kids googly eyes to add to their owls. **These owls look great! Do you know what sound an owl makes?** Allow kids to respond and encourage kids to make hooting sounds together.



Activity: Treasure Play

SUPPLIES: fake gold, jewels, gems, necklaces; treasure box or bin

Set out the fake treasure and treasure box. Let the kids play with the items and take turns putting them in the treasure box. You can hide the treasure box and let them look for it.

It's fun to pretend to find treasure! Did you know that God's wisdom is more valuable than treasure? The Bible says we can look for God's wisdom, and it is very special. Treasure is special, but God's wisdom—which means knowing and understanding from God—is more special! We'll learn more about it today.

Our Wonder Truth today is WISDOM COMES FROM GOD.

Encourage the kids to do the following motions while you repeat the Wonder Truth. Older toddlers can say the words with you as they do the motions.

WISDOM—Point to side of head/temple.

COMES FROM—Hold hand against forehead as if searching for something.

GOD.—Point up.

Worship

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: songs from the [Wise Up Early Childhood Spotify playlist](#)

Today we're learning that wisdom comes from God.

We'll learn in God's big story how God gives us wisdom for everything we need! Let's sing and thank God for His wisdom!

Play songs from the [Wise Up Early Childhood Spotify playlist](#) and encourage the kids to sing and dance with you.

God's Big Story

SUPPLIES: Bible, scissors (prep only)

Wonder Ink RESOURCES: [God's Big Story Video](#), Wisdom Toddler Puzzle Sheet

Our God's big story today is a great story from the Bible about a person named Solomon. Encourage the kids to say, "Solomon." Let's find out from the Bible what happened to Solomon!

Show the kids the God's Big Story Video, or read the story from the Bible, or use the script provided.



Solomon was a very wise king who wrote the book of Proverbs in the Bible. Let's put a puzzle together to help us learn more about Solomon and his wisdom.

Display one puzzle piece at a time and use the notes below to elaborate on each piece. Ask kids to identify the picture on each piece.

- Wisdom comes from God (Bible): **God uses the Bible to give us His wisdom.**
- Wisdom helps us understand what is good (picture of brain): **We can use wisdom from God to know what is good and right.**
- We can listen to advice from our parents (picture of parents): **Our parents can give us good, wise advice.**
- We can become wise by obeying God (picture of a cross): **When we obey God, we are using wisdom.**

Let's see if we can put this puzzle together! Help kids fit the pieces together to form the puzzle. End the activity by saying the Wonder Truth: **WISDOM COMES FROM GOD.**

Prayer and Blessing

Let's talk to God. Dear God, thank You for being here with us today. Thank You for giving us wisdom. Help us to seek Your wisdom to make good choices. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Encourage the kids to hold their hands out in front of them, with palms up, as if their hands were open to receive something. Tell them to listen and receive the blessing as you speak it over them.

Blessing: May our loving God—who is the source of all wisdom—give you wisdom in all that you do this week.

Activity: Follow Directions

SUPPLIES: colored paper (red, green, yellow, blue; 1 sheet of each color), tape

Before the activity, hang the four colored pieces of paper around the room, one sheet on each wall.

Let's play a game of following directions. I will call out a color, and you will walk in the direction of that color. Show kids the colored papers hanging on the walls. Take time to help kids identify the four colors.

Call out each color and encourage the kids to move in the direction of each color as you call it out.

I gave directions and helped you know where to go in our activity. In our lives, we can listen to God and go to Him for direction because wisdom comes from God! God's words in the Bible help us know what to do. We know that wisdom comes from God!