



## Unit 12, Session 2

# Wisdom for God's People

Proverbs; Ecclesiastes;  
Song of Songs

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**Story Point:** Wisdom is fearing the Lord and obeying His Word.

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God gave King Solomon wisdom to lead His people. People came from far away to hear Solomon's wise words. Solomon wrote thousands of wise sayings called *proverbs*. In the Book of Proverbs, Solomon said to love and worship God. He told people how to make wise decisions.

“Trust in the LORD with all your heart,” Solomon wrote in Proverbs 3:5. He also wrote other wise sayings like, “A gentle answer turns away anger, but a harsh word stirs up wrath,” and “Even a young man is known by his actions—by whether his behavior is pure and upright.”

Some people do not always listen to God's words. Solomon wrote, “Fools hate wisdom and instruction.”

Solomon wrote another book in the Bible called Ecclesiastes. The Book of Ecclesiastes has wisdom for people too. Solomon wrote about money and work and how to live a good life.

Solomon also wrote a poem about love. This poem is called Song of Songs. Solomon wrote this poem to celebrate God's wise plan for love and marriage.

*Christ Connection: Wisdom in the Bible shows us how to be like Jesus—in how we live, how we speak, and how we think. But wisdom cannot save us. Only Jesus, who perfectly followed God's wise plan, can rescue us from sin.*



## EXPERIENCE the Story

*The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.*

- How many words can you make using the letters in these Bible books? List them and then compare your list with friends.

PROVERBS

ECCLESIASTES

SONG OF SONGS

- What does this story teach us about God?

- What are the two ways to live?

### CHRIST CONNECTION

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## APPLY the Story

- Who has the best plan for your life?
- Why is it foolish to try to live without God?
- How can you seek to grow in wisdom?

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## APPLY the Story

- Find James 1:5 in your Bible and write the words below.

- Write a prayer to God, thanking Him for His Word and asking Him for wisdom and understanding.

### READ THE WORD

Read one of the following passages each day this week:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Proverbs 16:9     | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Corinthians 1:24-25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ephesians 5:15-17 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ephesians 1:7-8       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Proverbs 2:6      | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Timothy 3:15-16     |