

# The Lord Giveth Wisdom

Proverbs, Ecclesiastes

### Objectives:

 Discuss the words of wisdom found in Proverbs and the importance of seeking wisdom from the Lord.

### Reinforces Principles of:

■ Wisdom

## Reverence Time

Song: Seek the Lord Early, Children's Songbook page 108

https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/music/library/childrens-songbook/seek-the-lord-early

Scripture: Proverbs 8:11

"For wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it."

**Video:** Watch this week's clip from the Living Scriptures Streaming Library. Find the clip at https://www.livingscriptures.com/fhe-lesson-proverbs

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## **Lesson Time**

### The Lord Giveth Wisdom

### Lesson Summary:

The books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes are full of inspirational quotes and bits of wisdom that can help us. The book of Proverbs includes many verses about the importance of gaining wisdom and being wise. Many of the Proverbs were written by King Solomon who was known for being a wise king.

Here are a few verses from Proverbs and Ecclesiastes that are often guoted:

"A soft answer turneth away wrath" (Proverbs 15: 1)

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5)

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Proverbs 22:6)

"Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies." (Proverbs 31:10)

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven." (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

"Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding." (Proverbs 3:13)

Wisdom helps us to make good choices. True wisdom comes from God.

#### Quote:

"He that is most pliant and submissive to the will of God shows the greatest wisdom among all men." Joseph F. Smith

#### Questions:

What does it mean to be wise or have wisdom?

Why is it important to seek wisdom?

Where can we find wisdom?

How can the scriptures help us to be wise?

# **Activity Time**

### Crowned with Wisdom

**Description:** Proverbs says that wisdom is better than silver and gold and more precious than

rubies. Learn more about wisdom from Proverbs in this activity.

What you need:

■ A copy of the "Wisdom" activity, scissors, tape

**Preparation:** 1. Print out the artwork.

2. Cut out.

3. Overlap silver bars on sides of crown and tape together to form a circle.

Activity: 1. Read: Proverbs 3:13-15. Ask: What is better than silver and gold and more precious than rubies? (Wisdom.) Explain: The real jewels in life are the things

that are eternal. (Tape the "Wisdom" ruby to the crown.)

3. Read: Proverbs 3:13. Ask: A man who finds wisdom is? (Tape the "Happiness"

ruby to the crown.)

5. Read: Proverbs 14:18. Ask: What are the riches that the prudent (a person

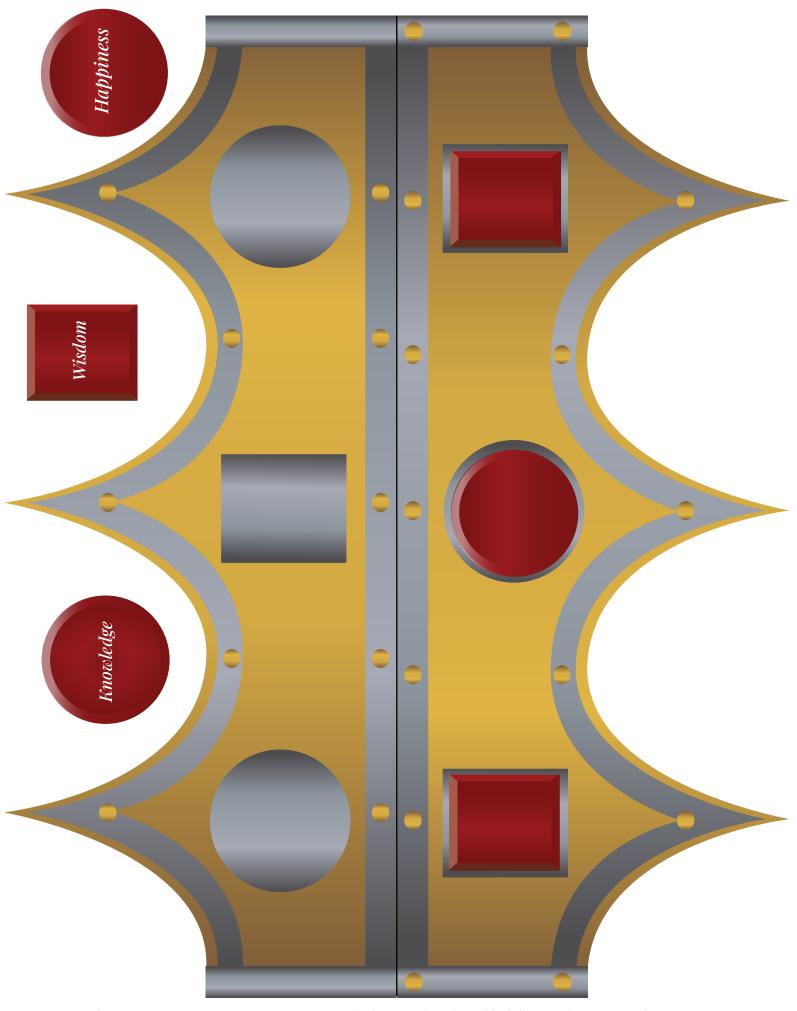
who is wise and uses good judgment) will be crowned with? (Tape the

"Knowledge" ruby to the crown.)

Have each family member take turns wearing the crown while they tell of an averaging so when they proved for wisdom as when they used wisdom to

experience when they prayed for wisdom or when they used wisdom to

choose the right and trust in God.



## **Treat Time**

# Chocolate Waffle Wisdom Cookies

Prep Time: 10 minutes Bake Time: 2-3 minutes

**Ingredients:** 1/2 c. butter

3/4 c. sugar

2 eggs

1 tsp. vanilla 1 1/4 c. flour

1 tsp. baking powder

6 tbsp. cocoa 1/2 tsp. salt

1/2 c. powdered sugar 1/2 c. baking soda

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#### **Instructions:**

Cream butter, sugar, eggs and vanilla together. Mix in flour, baking powder, cocoa and salt. Beat until well mixed. Heat waffle iron for about 5 minutes. Coat waffle iron with cooking spray each time you bake a new batch of cookies to prevent sticking. Drop a heaping teaspoon of dough onto each section of waffle iron. Do not spread out the dough. Close waffle iron and bake for 2-3 minutes.

Treat Time: Ask each child to use wisdom in deciding which white powder to have sprinkled on their waffle cookie. Encourage some children to gain knowledge by tasting the substances to determine which to use. Prompt others to choose the powdered sugar by having father whisper in their ear which one they should choose. While you eat your cookies discuss how wisdom can come from gaining knowledge and from trusting the promptings of the Spirit.