



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 5, Lesson 25

The Wise Builder

Lesson Aim: To make wise choices
based on God's Word.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "Be wise."

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO TEACHES

We gather to sing praise to King Jesus. He is the King who teaches us. King Jesus tells us special stories to help us understand the kingdom of God. Today, we will hear the story Jesus told about the wise builder and the foolish builder. Jesus wants us to be wise.

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

When we choose to be wise, Jesus is pleased. Another way to please Jesus is to build His kingdom. That's what we are doing when we give Him our money offering. Let's do that now.

OFFERING: Sing: "How Wide?" while collecting the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

We make wise choices when we listen to what God says to us. Jesus' words are like the strong rock in His story. His words will always be true. Sing: "I Will Listen."

Jesus says to love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and to love your neighbor as yourself. Let's show our love for Him now by singing praises to Him. Sing: "Sing Praises" and "Let Everything That Has Breath."

THE WORD THE WISE BUILDER CLASSROOM PROMISE

Show the Lesson 24 "Growing Seed Packet" craft sample. **Last time, we learned God makes the plants grow and He makes you grow, too! Who would like to tell the story of the growing seed?** Let one or two children tell the story while they hold the craft sample.

Today, we will hear how Jesus told the story of the wise builder and the foolish builder. Handle Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Matthew 7:25.

WATCH THE WORD: MATTHEW 7:24-27

Read poem. Display visual.

- Jesus said, "All who hear what I say,
- And try to do everything God's way,
- Are like the wise builder who built his house,
- On top of a rock—on solid ground."

- "The wind blows hard; the rain comes down.
- But the house on the rock does not fall down!
- There are some who will choose to disobey,
- And only do things their own way."

- "They are just like the foolish man;
- He built his house upon the sand.
- The wind blows hard; the rain comes down.
- That house falls down with a crashing sound!"

Who wants you to make wise choices? (God, parent, teacher, etc.)
That's like our Whisper Verse! Let's say it together: "Be wise."
Include sign language or hand motion.

One builder made a wise choice. What did he build his house on? (A rock.) Let's find our answer in the Bible. Read Matthew 7:25 from teacher's Bible. **He made a wise choice to build his house on a rock!**

THE WAY MAKING WISE CHOICES

CRAFT: House on the Rock

GAMES: Act It Out, Make Wise Choices

SNACK: Sandy Snacks

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Matthew 7:24-27

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Praise Dance, Circle of Praise
STORY TIME