



## Be Wise

King Solomon Asks To Be Wise  
1 Kings 3:5-14

Granny B and Lello sat on the porch enjoying each other's company. Then suddenly, they heard a few loud thuds and Delbert appeared on the porch with a huge grin on his face.

"Haw! Guess what?" he asked excitedly.

"What is it, little one?" Granny B replied.

"Pops asked me to be in his play. I get to be a king!" Delbert answered proudly.

Lello's eyes widened and she asked, "Baa, which king?"

Delbert's forehead wrinkled and he thought for a moment. Then he simply replied, "I don't know."

"There are many great kings in the Bible," Granny B offered, with a smile.

"Yes, like King David," Lello said nodding.

Delbert started to dance around. "Haw! I hope I can be King David. I love to dance and sing to God like King David did."

"I know you do," Granny B said, "or maybe you'll get to be King Solomon."

"Who is that?" Lello and Delbert asked in unison. Before Granny B answered, she picked up her Bible from the table and opened it.

"King Solomon was King David's son. When Solomon first became king, he was still a child. God told him, 'Ask me for whatever you want,'" Granny B began.

Delbert's eyes grew wide and he asked, "Did he ask for lots of money?"

Granny B shook her head no.

"Did King Solomon ask to live for a loooooong time?" Lello asked.

Again, Granny B shook her head no. Then she explained, "King Solomon asked God to give him a wise heart."

"Haw!" snorted Delbert. "How can your heart be wise?"

"When you know in your heart how to choose what is right, then your heart is wise," Granny B whispered.

"Baa, King Solomon made a wise choice," Lello remarked.

Granny B agreed. She closed her Bible, set it down, and finished the story.

"You know, God was so pleased with King Solomon's choice that He made him wise. He gave him riches and a long life, too!" Granny B finished.

Delbert stared out at the farm and thought for a while. He turned to Granny B and Lello to say, "I hope I get to be King Solomon. I'd like to have a wise heart."

Granny B smiled gently. She rubbed behind Delbert's ears. Granny B explained to Delbert that all he needed to do was ask God to make him wise. Delbert and Lello thought that was a great idea.

"Delbert, let's go pray together. We can ask God to help us be wise like King Solomon," Lello suggested.

"That would be great!" Delbert said.

Delbert and Lello said goodbye to Granny B. Then, they raced down the steps and toward the stream to find a quiet place to pray together. Granny B smiled as she settled back in her chair and watched the two friends disappear around the bend.