



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9  
Kings & Kingdoms Part 2: Judges - Esther  
Unit 9, Lesson 43

## King Solomon and the Queen of Sheba

Lesson Aim: To know God uses our actions to glorify Himself.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** Who is the wisest person you know?

**GAME:** Popping Proverbs

### THE WORSHIP THE KING WHO BUILDS HIS KINGDOM

Read Worship Scripture: 2 Chronicles 5:13

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform King City Chronicles script or read storybook.

### THE WORD SOLOMON AND THE QUEEN OF SHEBA

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: David kept his promise to Jonathan by caring for Mephibosheth.

**Today, we will learn about the Queen of Sheba. She traveled all the way from Africa to test King Solomon's wisdom.** Point out Jerusalem, Israel, and modern day Ethiopia which was once part of the ancient land of Sheba. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: 1 Kings 10:1-10. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: 1 Kings 10:9. Pray. Read.

### THE WAY POINTING OTHERS TO GOD

**Why did the Queen of Sheba travel such a long way to see King Solomon?** (To test his wisdom with hard questions.) **What did she do when she heard his wise answers and saw the beautiful palace and temple he built?** (Praised God.) **He was known everywhere by his actions. We too, are known by our actions. "Reputation" is the word for the actions that we are mainly known by. What actions are you known by? How can our actions point others to God?**

**King Solomon gave us proverbs as wise advice about our actions. If we follow his wise advice, we will be known by actions that point others to praising God. Hold up bag of proverbs. Five of his proverbs are inside this treasure bag. These proverbs warn us against foolish**

**actions and show us wise actions that point others to God. Let's pick a proverb from the bag, discover its meaning, and brainstorm ways to use this advice in our actions this week.**

**Proverbs 10:8 "The wise in heart accept commands, but a chattering fool comes to ruin."** Meaning: Obey right away instead of arguing, complaining, or making excuses. (Children give examples.)

**Proverbs 13:20 "He who walks with the wise grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm."** Meaning: You will learn wisdom as you spend time with those who follow God's wisdom and trouble if you spend time with those who do what they please. (Children give examples.)

**Proverbs 19:11 "A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense."** Meaning: Forgive others. It shows others the forgiveness of God. (Children give examples.)

**Proverbs 19:20 "Listen to advice and accept instruction, and in the end you will be wise."** Meaning: Instead of insisting on doing things your way, follow the directions of those who are wise. (Children give examples.)

**Proverbs 29:11 "A fool gives full vent to his anger, but a wise man keeps himself under control."** Meaning: Control your anger. It can make you look foolish, it hurts others, and you may be very sorry for what you said and did. (Children give examples.)

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**What did the Queen of Sheba do when she saw King Solomon's wisdom, his treasures, and the temple and palace he built?** (Praised God.) **Jesus explains this story one thousand years later.** Reveal Matthew 5:16. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Bible Memory Verse Bookmark
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: King Solomon talking with the Queen of Sheba
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### **GOT TIME?**

**SNACK:** Royal Snack

**GAME:** Pass It On

**CRAFT:** Favorite Proverbs Book—Wisdom

**DISCUSSION:** Solomon's Temple, Proverbs Challenge

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** Build the Wall Verse, Royal Corners

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**