



Wisdom is not something you can buy or a thing that just comes naturally to a person. It's not head knowledge or fact checking.

Wisdom is putting common sense and intelligence to good use so that a choice can be made that is both beneficial and helpful!

There was a family in the Bible who seemed to keep running into situations that put their wisdom, or significant lack of it, on display. This resource is supposed to help drive a conversation with your students about wisdom using three stories from the Old Testament and the lives of David, Solomon, and Rehoboam.

Each session includes a quote you can discuss from the book, *Get Wisdom* by the Barry Landis and the [Briner Institute](#). It's a compilation of wisdom from top Christian leaders and could be an invaluable resource for your students.

This is an explanation about the book from their website:

Imagine you could meet some of the world's most successful people. Individuals who have overcome odds, pursued their dreams, and realized their goals. Leaders of purpose and vision. What might they say to you?

Inside we've collected original insights from some of today's top Christian authors, musicians, filmmakers and businesspeople as well as tech executives from Facebook, Apple, and Google. Here is a lifetime of wisdom that will help students as they prepare for what's next and pursue God's plan for their lives.

You can find out more about the book here:

<https://brinerinstitute.org/getwisdom>

Each of these three sessions begin with an opening activity that you can use or toss out, depending on your group. Make sure you read over the supplies you need and how each activity is conducted before you

get started. As always, the amount of excitement you bring to the table is what steers each game!

In this resource, all Scripture references are from the NIV translation of the Bible and are *highlighted in yellow and italicized* so you know when it's time to dive into the Word.

Anytime you, as the teacher, need to insert a story or have an answer ready, you'll find that part in *[blue and in brackets]*.

Also, each session has a small group guide for you to use as well. Whether you have small groups directly after you teach the main session, or sometime later in the week, use these questions to help students apply what they've learned from the story and from the book "Get Wisdom" so that they can make wise choices as they move forward in their spiritual journey with Jesus!

Thanks for using this resource. I pray it blesses your students and your ministry.

Ronald Long

Week 1 - Desire It

1 Kings 3

Students will learn why it's important to want wisdom.

Big Idea: Desire Wisdom!

Week 2 - Listen to It

1 Samuel 25

Students will learn that they have to pay attention to when wisdom may be coming their way.

Big Idea: Listen to wise people!

Week 3 - Practice It -

1 Kings 12

Students will learn that knowing what is wise is a lot different than actually putting that wisdom to good use!

Big Idea: Put wisdom into practice!