

1 Kings — Worksheet 1

Solomon's Wisdom

Read the passages on the back of this sheet (or use the biblestudy.fyi TTS Bible Player) before you begin. Answer in your own words on the lines provided.

1. What does God offer Solomon in a dream at Gibeon (1 Kings 3:5)?

2. What does Solomon ask for instead of riches or long life (1 Kings 3:9)?

3. How does God respond to this request (1 Kings 3:10-13)?

4. What condition is attached in 1 Kings 3:14 for a long life?

5. Reflection: If you were offered anything you wanted, as Solomon was, what would you ask for, and why?

Scripture for 1 Kings — Solomon's Wisdom

King James Version. Flip back to the front to answer the questions.

1 Kings 3:5-14

⁵In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee. ⁶And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in. ⁸And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. ⁹Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people? ¹⁰And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing. ¹¹And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; ¹²Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. ¹³And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days. ¹⁴And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.