Today's Suggested Schedule—October 2025, Week 4

Today's Bible Story: The Kings • 1

& 2 Kings

Conversation Starter: Why do your

choices matter?

Today's Bottom Line: Be wise because your choices matter.

Monthly Memory Verse: It is much

better to get wisdom than gold. It is

much better to choose

understanding than silver. Proverbs

16:16 (NIrV)

Opening Activity

Made to Connect

What You Need:

"Get to Know You" Activity Page
Die

Connect:

- Explain that the number on the die matches a question on the screen.
- Instruct the kids to take turns rolling the die, reading the matching question aloud, and answering it.
- After several rounds, move on.

What You Say:

"I love watching you share your answers with each other! All of those things ...

who you hang out with, what you watch, what you love to do.

"They're part of the choices you make every day. And guess what? Your choices really matter.

"In fact, today's true story from the Bible is all about a time when the kings who led God's people had to make big choices about who to follow and how to live. Some kings chose wisdom, and

some ... didn't. Let's go see how their wisdom (or lack of it) changed everything!"

Bible Story

So & So form 4:39

Take a Snapshot

Live for God | Application Activity

Made to Create

What You Need:

☐ "Fast Pass" Activity Page

What You Do:

- Give each kid a Fast Pass card from the "Fast Pass" Activity Page.
- Give the kids time to think about their question.
- After several minutes, invite them to share their thoughts with the entire group.
- [Make It Personal] (Share an ageappropriate time when you were faced with two choices to make one wise, and one unwise. What did you do? Talk to God? How did your choice affect you or others?)
- Explain that wisdom is more than just knowing what God wants you to do. It's about choosing to live it out!
- Share with kids that they can choose to talk to God before reacting, choose to say kind words, choose to walk away from trouble, etc.

Bible Story Extension

Talk about God | Bible Story Review Made to Move

Bible Story Talk

- Invite several kids to recap the Bible Story in three words.
 - Example: Kings, selfish, unwise, wise
- Say: "Today's Bible Story showed us ups and downs of kings who had choices to make. Some chose to follow God and God's ways, and the people they reigned over were blessed! Other kings didn't, and it caused a lot of trouble. God's way is always the best way to live."
- Ask: "Our lives are built on choices.
 When we choose to think only about
 ourselves or too much about others
 (like when you went to take blocks
 from the other team), what are the
 consequences?"

Discussion Questions

Talk about God | Bible Story Review Made to Connect

What You Do: Ask:

- Why do your choices matter?
- If you could ask God for anything today, what would it be?
- How do you think asking the Holy Spirit for help changes the way we make choices?

- What could you ask the Holy Spirit before you have to make a choice?
- What are some wise choices tht you think Jesus lived out?
- What do you think it means to "build" your life on godly wisdom?

Make It Personal with Prayer Pray to God | Prayer Activity Made to Reflect

What You Do:

- Ask: "Why do wise friendships matter?"
- Encourage the kids to think about their friends and ask: "Are they helping you grow closer to God?"
- Invite kids to write or draw a prayer asking God for help choosing friends who are wise and kind.
- Close in prayer.

God, thank You so much for bringing people into our lives. Thank You for friends, leaders, and others who remind us and challenge us to live more like Your Son, Jesus. When we say yes to Jesus, You welcome us into Your family, and that means we're all connected! Help us to find friends who follow You and love You, friends who show their faith in You by how they live and treat others. Help us to ultimately be that friend for others too. You know best, so help us to seek You for wisdom about our lives. We love You so much, God. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.