

向神求智慧

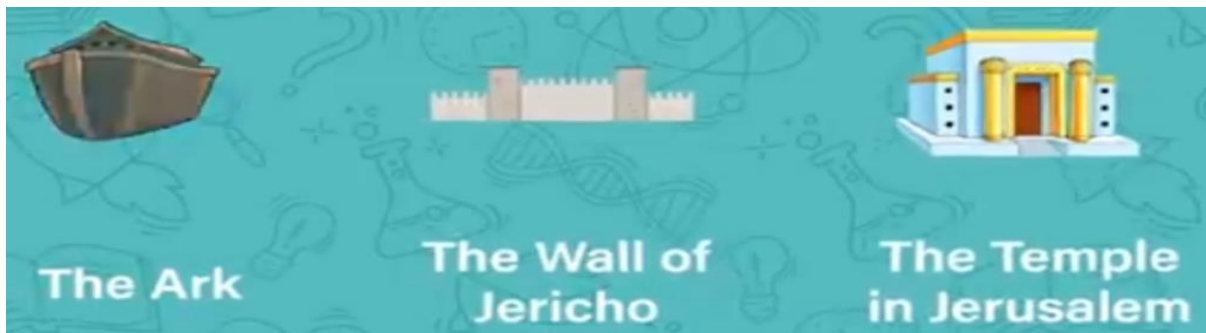
你们中间若有缺少智慧的，应当求那厚赐予众人、也不斥责人的神，主就必赐给他。---雅各书 1:5。

孩子们！让我们从一个小测试开始，看看你们对圣经中的人物了解多少，今天圣经中的人物是：所罗门。你准备好了吗？以下就是问题：

问题 1，所罗门是一个…。 (A, 渔夫; B, 牧童; C, 国王) 答案是…国王！你答对了吗？

问题 2，所罗门的父亲是谁？ (A, 摩西; B, 大卫; C, 彼得) 答案是…大卫！

问题 3，所罗门以建造什么建筑闻名？ (A, 方舟; B, 耶利哥城; C, 耶路撒冷的圣殿) 答案是耶路撒冷的圣殿！



问题 4, 所罗门还因为什么出名? (A, 大量的财富; B, 神奇的力量; C, 美貌) 答案是…他的大量财富!

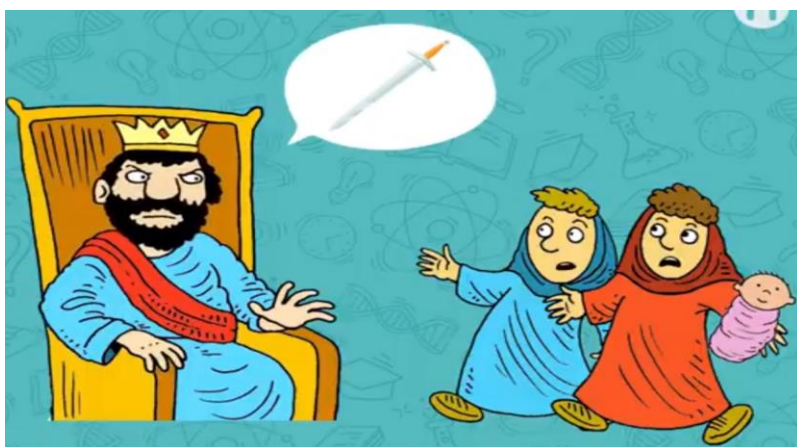
问题 5, 直到今天, 所罗门仍然是有史以来…的国王。(a, 最强大的; B, 最亲切的; C, 最有智慧的) 答案是…最有智慧的国王!



你答对了多少题? 如果你都做对了, 拍拍自己的背说: “做得好!” 如果你答对了 4 道题, 为自己鼓掌吧! 如果你答对了 3 题或者更少, 不要担心, 因为在今天的圣经故事结束时, 你会知道更多! 目前我们所知道的是: 所罗门是国王, 他继承了他父亲大卫的王位, 成为以色列的国王; 所罗门在耶路撒冷建造了第一座圣殿; 所罗门是有史以来最富有的人, 也是有史以来最有智慧的人。所罗门他懂得很多东西, 比如数学、科学、多种语言、艺术和音乐。如果所罗门在你们学校, 他每次都是全班第一。但所罗门不仅仅是非常聪明, 他还非常非常充满智慧。这意味着他拥有的不仅仅是知识, 他还拥有智慧。智慧不仅仅是聪明。智慧会教导你分辨是非, 分辨谎言; 智慧会教会你做出正确的决定, 并帮助你在遇到困难时想出该怎么做。

所罗门是如此有智慧，似乎没有什么事是他不能解决的。圣经告诉我们一个故事，有两个妇女同住一间房子。她们每个人都有自己的孩子。然后，有一天，出现了一个问题，其中一个婴儿死了。更大的问题是，这位失去孩子的妈妈趁着另一个妈妈和她孩子睡着的时候，用死去的孩子和那个睡着的孩子互换了。当那个妈妈醒来时看到所发生的事情，她们大吵了一架：“这不是我的孩子！把我的孩子还给我！”“不！不是你的孩子，这是我的孩子！”她们争了又争，但没人知道该怎么办。谁说的是真话呢？

最后，这两位妇女去见国王。所罗门王仔细听了，点点头说：“既然你们都想要这个孩子，就把他劈开，你们各分一半吧！卫兵，给我拿把剑来。”人们都吓坏了。把孩子切成两半？你这是什么回答？“不一一要！别伤害孩子！给她吧。”第一个妇女喊道。第二个妇女却说：“这办法很好！把孩子切开，让我们一起分享！”到这里你知道谁是真的妈妈谁是假的妈妈了吗？就这样，所有人都知道了真相。真正的妈妈是不会愿意让自己孩子受到伤害的！“哇！”人们都说：“我们的国王多有智慧啊！”



所罗门是如何变得如此有智慧的呢？是他学到的吗？是他天生就这么聪明的吗？答案就在这节经文里。列王记上第四章告诉我们，**神赐给所罗门极大智慧，他的智慧就像海边的沙子一样难以测量，他比世上任何人都聪明。**(列王记上 4:29, 31)

你知道为什么神会唯独赐给所罗门这么多智慧吗？圣经告诉我们答案，就是因为所罗门向神祈求！所罗门成为国王后不久的一个晚上，上帝在梦中向他显现，说：“你愿我赐给你什么？你可以求。”所罗门无论求什么，神都会赐给他。但这个年轻人很聪明，知道他需要智慧才能理解国王必须做的所有重大而重要的事情。所罗门就说：“主啊，我还只是个孩子。赐给我智慧，让我知道该怎么做！”所罗门想要知道不仅是用他的头脑，而且如何用他的心来统治。他想要智慧，这样他就可以用智慧来统治上帝的子民。神喜悦他的回答，把他所求的给了他。（列王纪上 3:5-13）上帝给了他智慧来解决别人所解决不来的事情。就这样，所罗门在很多事情上都很成功，他也成为了世界上最富有的人！



所罗门求智慧，神就赐给他。好消息是，当我们祈求的时候，神也会赐给我们。让我们翻到雅各书 1:5，圣经说：**你们中间若有缺少智慧的，应当求那厚赐予众人、也不斥责人的神，主就必赐给他。**所以，向上帝祈求！求，就会赐给你智慧！

接下来说一个发生在主日学孩子的例子，就是有个小女孩遇到了一个类似那两个妈妈的难题。这个小女孩有个她非常喜爱的好漂亮的粉红色铅笔盒，这个铅笔盒有许多特殊的功能，比如一个镜子和一个隐藏的隔间，如果你按下一个按钮，就还会弹出一个刨笔机。她把这笔盒带回学校。后来有一天，课间休息回来后，她发现她粉红色的铅笔盒不见了。“你们看见我的笔盒吗？”她问其他孩子。然后有人小声告诉她说：“我不知道，但我看见那个同学的书包里有一个和你一样的笔盒……”于是她就去问那个女孩子。那个女孩子变得很生气，向老师争辩说：“这个铅笔盒是我的，”“好吧，你们中有一个没说实话，”老师说，“所以在我们弄清楚它到底是谁的之前，这东西我先留着。”这位女孩回到她的书桌前哭了起来，心想：“该怎么办？”当我们不知道该如何做的时候，我们该怎么办？——我们祈祷！她低声祈祷：“救救我，耶稣。我不知道该怎么办……”她甚至还没来得及说“阿门”，就想起了一些事情。她记得卷笔刀上有一条裂缝。她马上告诉老师：“我可以证明这笔盒真的是属于我的。”能拿回铅笔盒，她非常高兴，心里好感激的对主说：“耶稣，感谢你告诉我该怎么做！”



现在来总结以下，我们今天学了什么？我们知道我们可以向上帝寻求智慧。我们需要智慧，因为智慧不仅仅是知道很多事情。有知识是好的，但是没有智慧的知识是不够的。我们需要智慧，这样我们才能知道该做什么，该用什么方式去做。我们需要智慧，不只是一部分，而是要很多很多。有了智慧，我们可以做出正确的选择，不仅让我们远离麻烦，而且让我们过上上帝希望我们过的幸福和成功的生活。

所罗门很聪明，知道他需要智慧。好消息是，我们也可以像他一样聪明。我们也可以向神求同样的事，因为圣经告诉我们，当我们求的时候，神就应许给我们。雅各书 1 章 5 节说：**你们中间若有缺少智慧的，应当求那厚赐予众人、也不斥责人的神，主就必赐给他。**看看我们神的施恩方式——是慷慨而不责备的。你看，天父上帝爱你和我。他知道我们需要所有能得到的智慧。也许你有一个困难的情况要处理，或一个问题要解决；也许，就像圣经故事一样，发生了争吵，你不知道该怎么办。非常好的消息是，智慧不仅仅是摆脱困境。智慧帮助我们在生活中取得成功。让我们效仿所罗门的做法，让我们向上帝祈求智慧。跟我一起祷告：“**亲爱的阿爸天父，你对我太好了。你给了我所需要的一切。今天我向你祈求智慧，请赐我智慧，让我分辨是非，辨别真伪，教我做正确的事，告诉我正确的方法。阿爸天父，保佑我和我的家人，教我们如何过幸福和成功的生活。奉耶稣的名祈祷。每个人都说：‘阿门。’**”

孩子们，如果你正在听这个故事，你从来没有邀请耶稣进入你的生命，成为你的主和救主，你现在可以这样做，跟着我重复这个祷告：“**亲爱的主耶稣，感谢你为我死在十字架上。你是神的儿子，你死了，也被埋葬，第三天又复活了。你珍贵的血洗去了我所有的罪，使我永远与阿爸天父在一起。我请求你现在进入我的生命里，成为我的主和救主，我永远是个义人，永远是有福的，永远是神的孩子。奉耶稣的名，阿门！**”

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在每年的新年伊始，我们要花点时间来思考，今年我们要向阿爸天父祈求的三个祷告愿望是什么好呢？当我们祈祷的时候，我们相信天父会在这一年里回应我们的祷告。阿门！这让我想起了主日学里的有个女孩子。这个女孩子在年初祈求阿爸天父帮助她交更多的朋友，因为她感到孤独。她把这个问题写在她的祷告卡片上，你猜结果如何？到年底，她回来了且带着见证，说阿爸天父应许了她的祈祷！哈利路亚！孩子们，还不赶快去写下你的三个新年祷告愿望？我们知道上帝会垂听我们的祷告，他会应许给我们的！阿门。

ASK GOD FOR WISDOM

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. ---- James 1: 5.

Hey, Rock Kidz! Let's start with a quick quiz to see how well you know your Bible characters, and today's Bible character is: Solomon. You ready? Here are the questions.

Question 1, Solomon was a ... (A, Fisherman; B, Shepherd boy; C, King.) And the answer is ... King! Did you get that right? Are you ready for more? Here we go.

Question 2, Who was Solomon's dad? ... (A, Moses; B, David; C, Peter.) And the answer is ... David!

Question 3, Solomon is famous for building ... (A, The Ark; B, The wall of Jericho; C, The Temple in Jerusalem.) And the answer is ... The Temple in Jerusalem!

Question 4, What else is Solomon famous for? ... (A, Great Riches; B, Amazing Strength; C, Good Looks.) And the answer is ... His great riches!

Question 5, Even till today, Solomon is the ____ king who ever lived. (A, Strongest; B, Kindest; C, Wisest.) And the answer is ... the wisest king!

How many did you get right? If you got all 5 right, pat yourself on the back and say: "Well done!" If you got 4 right, give yourself a round of applause! If you got 3 or less right, don't worry because by the end of today's Bible story, you will know so much more! Here's what we know so far: Solomon was King. He became king of Israel after his dad, King David. Solomon built the first Temple in Jerusalem. Solomon is the richest man ever and he is also the wisest man who ever lived! Solomon was a very smart guy! He knew a lot about a lot of things like math and science, and languages and science, and languages, and art and music too. If Solomon was in your school, he would be first in his class every time! But Solomon was more than just very smart. He was very, very wise. This means he had more than knowledge. He had wisdom. Wisdom is more than just smart. Wisdom teaches you to know right from wrong, and truth from lies. Wisdom teaches you to make the right decisions and helps you figure what to do when things get tough.

Solomon was so wise that it seemed there was no problem too hard for him to handle. Like this one, in 1 Kings 3 ... The Bible tells us that there were two women shared a house. Each of them had a baby of her own. Then one day, there was a problem. The problem was that one of the babies died. The bigger problem was that this mother did a switch. When the other woman woke up and saw what had happened, there was a big fight: "This is NOT my baby! Give me back my baby!" "No! Not your baby. My baby!" The women argued and argued but no one

knew what to do. Who was telling the truth! Finally, the women went to the king. King Solomon listened carefully and nodded his head and said, "Since both of you want the baby, cut the baby so that you can each have half! Guards, bring me a sword!" The people were horrified. Cut the baby in half? What kind of answer was that?! "No!!! Don't hurt the baby! Let her have him!" The first woman cried. The second woman said, "Yes! Cut the baby so we can share!" Just like that, everyone knew the truth. The real mother was the one who did not want the baby to be hurt! "Wow!" went the people, "What a wise king we have!"

How did Solomon get to be so wise? Was it something he learned? Maybe he was just born wise? The answer is right here in the verse. In 1 Kings 4, it tells us that God gave great wisdom to Solomon. Solomon could understand many things. His wisdom was as hard to measure as the sand on the seashore. He was wiser than any other man on earth ... (1 Kings 4: 29,31) God gave great wisdom to Solomon.

Do you know why? Because Solomon asked! One night, not long after he became king, God appeared to Solomon in a dream. "Ask! What shall I give you?" Solomon could have asked for anything and God would have given it to him. But the young king was smart enough to know that he needed help to understand all the big and important things a king had to do. So, Solomon said, "Lord, I'm just a child. Give me wisdom so I will know what to do!" Solomon wanted to understand how to rule not just with his head, but with his heart. He wanted to understand so that he could rule God's people with wisdom. God was pleased with his answer and gave him what he asked for. God gave him the wisdom to solve problem that no one else could. Just like that, Solomon became so successful in many things that he also became the richest man in the world!

Solomon asked for wisdom and God gave it to him. The good news is that when we ask, God will also give to us. Let us flip to James 1:5, you might want to highlight this as well. It says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. Need help to understand the right thing to do? Just ask God! Ask and wisdom will be given to you!

Let me tell you about a little girl in Rock Kidz who had a big problem to solve: It started when she brought her favorite pink pencil case to school. It had many special features like a mirror and a hidden compartment, and if you pressed a button, out popped a sharpener. Then one day, when she came back from recess, her pink pencil case was gone. "Have you seen it? Have you seen it?" she asked the other kids. Then someone whispered, "I don't know, but she has one just like yours in her bag..." When she asked the other girl, the girl became angry and complained to the teacher. "This pencil case is MINE" she argued. "Well, one of you is not telling the truth," the teacher said, "so this stays with me until we find out who it really belongs to." The girl went back to her desk and started to cry. What was she going to do? What do we

do when we don't know what to do? We pray! She whispered, "Help me, Jesus. I don't know what to do..." And before she could even say "Amen" she remembered something. She remembered there was a crack in the sharpener!" Quickly she told the teacher, "I can prove this really belongs to me." How glad she was to get her pencil case back! "Thank you, Jesus, for showing me what to do!"

What did we learn today? We learned that we could ask God for wisdom. We want wisdom because wisdom is more than knowing a lot of things. Knowledge is good, but knowledge without wisdom is not good enough. We need wisdom so we can understand the right thing to do and the right way to do it. We need wisdom. Not just some of it, but lots and lots of it. With wisdom, we can make the right choices that not just keep us out of trouble but allow us to live the happy and successful lives that god wants us to live.

Solomon was smart enough to know that he need wisdom. The good news it is that we can be smart like him too. We can ask God for the same thing because the Bible tells us that when we ask, God promises to give. In James 1:5, it says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him." And look at the style of our God's giving "Liberally and without reproach" simply means "generously and without scolding"! You see, daddy God loves you and me. He knows that we need all the wisdom we can get. Perhaps you have a difficult situation to handle, or a problem to solve. Maybe, just like it the Bible story, there is a quarrel, and you don't know what to do. The very good news is that wisdom is not just getting out of trouble. Wisdom helps us to be successful in life. Let's do what Solomon did. Let's ask God for wisdom. Say it with me: "Dear daddy God, you are so good to me. You give me everything I need. Today I ask you for wisdom. Give me the wisdom to know right from wrong, truth from lies. Teach me the right things to do and show me the right way to do them. Bless me and my family, Lord. Teach us how to life happy and successful lives. In Jesus' name I pray." And everybody say: "Amen."

Hey rock Kidz, if you are listening to this story and you've never asked Jesus to come into your life to be your Lord and Saviour, you can do so now. Just repeat this prayer after me, "Dear Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for me. You are the Son of God, who died, was buried and on the third day, you rose again. Your precious blood washed away all my sins making me forever right with Daddy God. I ask You now to come into my life to be my Lord and Saviour. I am forever righteous, forever blessed, forever a child of God. In Jesus 'name," and everyone say, "Amen."

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At the start of each new year in Rock Kidz, we want to take time to think about 3 prayer requests that we want to ask daddy God for in this year. And as we pray, we believe that Daddy God will answer us in His time. Amen! This reminds me of that a girl in Rock Kidz. This girl asked Daddy God for more friends because she was feeling lonely and she wrote it down in her 3 prayer requests card and guess what? At the end of the year, she came back with a testimony of our Daddy God answer her prayer for friends! Hallelujah! Wow! That is so awesome! Rock Kidz, why don't you go and prepare your 3 prayer requests and we'll be praying them after our service. You know I'm so excited because I know that Daddy God hears us and He gives us good things when we ask from Him. Amen! Now let's get ready to dive into our service today!