

# King Solomon and the Temple

When King David grew very old and knew that he would not live much longer, he gave orders that his son Solomon should be made king. Early in his reign God appeared to Solomon and told Solomon to ask for whatever he wanted from God.

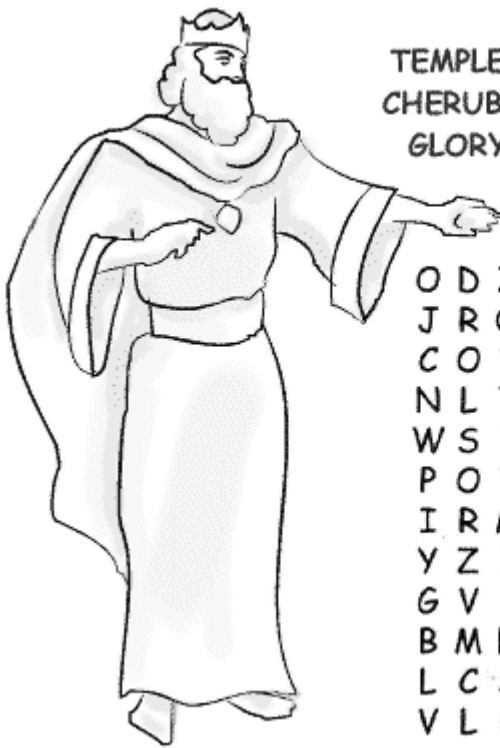
Read 1 Kings 3:9 (NIV) and fill in the blanks below to see what Solomon asked for

"So give your servant a \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_  
 and to distinguish between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_..."

God was pleased with this request and gave Solomon a wise and discerning heart as well as riches and honor. God also allowed Solomon to build a house for him, called the Temple, to take the place of the Tabernacle. The Temple was similar to the Tabernacle but was a permanent structure that was bigger and grander. It took 7 years to build.

Read 1 Kings 8:6-13 (NIV) to see what happened when they finished it.

Find the words from the word list and circle them in the wordsearch puzzle below



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 GLORY LORD SOLOMON DWELL FOREVER

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# SOLOMON IS MADE KING

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Z R B N O M O L O S  
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Y Z B E G D P R U E

ANOINT  
BATHSHEBA  
BENAIAH  
DAVID  
ZADOK

GREATER  
HORN  
KING  
NATHAN

OIL  
RULER  
SOLOMON  
THRONE

**Classroom Activity** - read the sentences and have your child color the happy face if the sentence is true. Color the sad face if the sentence is false.

1. King David ruled for forty years.
2. Solomon was Saul's son.
3. David told Solomon to obey God.
4. Solomon asked God for riches.
5. Solomon built a temple to God.
6. God gave Solomon many blessings.
7. We will want a church to worship God together.
8. God wants us to use our time, talent and treasure for His work.