# A Devotional About Making Wise Choices

Read: 1 Samuel 16:7 NIrV



#### God Looks at Your Heart

We often think being big, strong, or fast makes you the best. But God sees differently! In our Bible story, Samuel looked for a king. He saw strong, tall brothers, but God said He looks at your heart. God cares if you're kind, love Him, and try to do right. David was just a shepherd, but God saw his heart!

Draw a heart below:



Remember, God LOOKS at your heart!



#### Listen to God's Wisdom

Sometimes, it's hard to know what to do. Samuel had a hard choice to make, picking a king! But he listened to God, and God helped him make the wise choice to pick David. When you listen to God, He helps you make wise choices, too.

Think about a time you had to make a choice. Did you listen to God with that choice?

God can help you make the wise choice.

# **BONUS VERSE:**

"The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 3

#### **Brave and Wise**

David was chosen by God, but he was still just a shepherd boy. Then, a BIG problem came along—a giant named Goliath! Everyone else was scared, but David was brave because he knew God would help him. He didn't need big, heavy armor; he used what he had, a sling and a stone, and David trusted God. That was a wise choice! David defeated the giant because he trusted God!

ASK a grown-up to tell you about a time they had to be brave and make a wise choice.

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#### **God Gives Wisdom**

God wants to help you make wise choices every single day! The Bible says wisdom is better than gold. The best way to get it is to ask God. You can also find wisdom by reading your Bible and listening to others who follow Jesus.

Pray today, thanking God for His wisdom! "Dear God, thank You for being so wise. Help me make wise choices today and every day. Help me listen to You as I read Your Word, the Bible. I love You, Amen."

THANK God for giving you wisdom!

# THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE:

"It is much better to get wisdom than gold. It is much better to choose understanding than silver."

Proverbs 16:16 NTrV

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# KINDERTGARTEN-3RD GRADE midweek family activity guide



Wisdomland -God can help you make the wise choice.



This Week's Bible Story Video



### Talk About the Bible Story

Open the Bible together and read 1 Samuel 16:1-13 or watch the video together on the Parent Cue app.

#### **Engagement Questions**

- Can you think of a time when you made a good choice, even if it was hard?
- Why do you think God chose David, even though he wasn't the biggest or strongest?
- If you could ask God for help with one decision today, what would it be?

## Faith and Character Activity

Scan the QR code below for activities to guide kids at every phase to trust Jesus in a way that changes how they see God, themselves, and the rest of the world.

Scan the QR code to get started



# Prayer

"Dear God, thank you for sending your Holy Spirit, the helper. We ask for your help in making wise choices. We pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."

**Weekly Parent Cues** 

# Elementary

#### ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



# **Morning Time**

As your kid starts their day, tell them, "God can help you make wise choices today. He believes in you and I do, too."



#### **Meal Time**

At a meal this week, have everyone at the table answer this question: "When you need to make a decision, how do you determine which one to choose? How can God help you?"



#### **Drive Time**

While on the go, ask your kid: "What are some wise choices you've seen people make lately?" (Either in-person or online)



#### **Bed Time**

Pray for each other: "God, help us make the wise choice with the decisions we will need to make this week."

More Ways to Engage with Your Kid Faith & Character Activities



Worship Song of the Month



Download the Parent Cue app

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