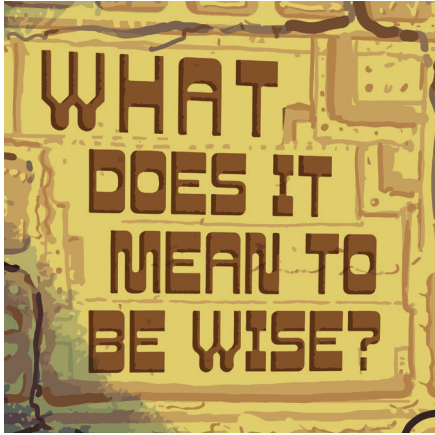


Journal

Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.

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August
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Week One
Preteen



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

1. You liked:

THE SO & SO SHOW
Today, watch and write
down your thoughts!
You can find each
week's episode
at www.popmn.org/kidvid

2. You learned:

3. You'd like to know:

Day 2

Read Luke 2:41-52

As you read Luke 2:41-52, underline the parts of the story where Jesus is with His parents.

Next, circle the verse that explains where Mary and Joseph found Jesus.

Lastly, highlight the verse that is a hint about where we can find wisdom.

There should be one verse that is underlined, circled, and highlighted. (Spoiler: it's verse 46.)

Just as Jesus went to the temple, sat among the teachers, and listened to them, you too can find wisdom when you search for it in God's Word with the help of your church and friends who follow God!



Day 3

The wisest man in the world, King Solomon, wasn't born that way. He actually asked God for wisdom, and God gave it to him!

Wisdom does take a bit of effort on our part to find—but it's also simple to find, and God wants to share it with us. In fact, Jesus' own brother, James, wrote about it in James 1:5: *If any of you needs wisdom, you should ask God for it. He will give it to you. (NIRV)*

All you have to do is ask—ask God, ask friends who follow God, look for it in the Bible—and then listen to what God has to say!

Today, start out your search by asking God for wisdom! After all, wisdom is worth searching for.

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Dear God, thank You for the promises You give us in Your Word: to guide me, lead me, and give me wisdom. I want to grow in wisdom. Please reveal Your wisdom as I read the Bible, talk about You with others, and ask questions and listen to what You have to say. Thank You for showing me what I should do, and please help me follow through and do it. In Jesus' Name, I pray, amen.

## Day 4

Who is someone that you see as wise?

It might be someone who has:

- Lived a lot of life
- Spent a lot of time reading God's Word
- Been following God for a long time
- Made a lot of wise choices
- Made some not-so wise choices, but learned from them

Once you've thought of someone who seems to fit some of these wisdom qualifiers, reach out to them to pick their brain. Ask them how they came to be so wise. Ask them what they think it means to be wise, and why they think wisdom is worth searching for. And ask them to share their best piece of wisdom with you, and to pray for you on your own search for wisdom.

## Day 5

What does it mean to be wise?

Finding wisdom is a journey. It's something you learn more about every day, as you grow in your relationship with God. The more you learn about God, the wiser you get, and the more wise choices you will make.

In the Bible, whenever God showed more of Himself to His people, they often built an altar as a way of remembering what God did. This month, as you learn more about God and He shares His wisdom with you, take some time to write down what you've learned, so you won't forget.

Get a sheet of paper and some fun coloring supplies of your choice. You can do a combination of art and words to illustrate what you have learned this week. Each week, you'll add to this sheet of paper (which you will hang as your Wisdom Wall) with more wisdom that you've learned from God's Word, from talking to God, and from talking to other wise people.

Be sure and include some of the wise advice you received from your interview yesterday, as well as the words of James 1:5. When you're done, hang your Wisdom Wall somewhere you will see it every day.

