

Wisdomland - God can help you make the wise choice

DAY 1

Visit the Parent Cue app (available for iOS and Android) to watch this week's Bible story.

Download it for free at parentcue.org/app.

Even if you already saw it at church, feel free to check it out again!

After watching So&So, write one thing that:

1. You liked:

2. You learned:

3. You'd like to know:

DAY 2

Read 1 Kings 12:1-15

The history of the kings in the Bible had more ups and downs than the craziest roller coaster ride! After King Solomon, who was super wise at first, his son Rehoboam became king. Rehoboam had to make a big choice about how to treat the people. His older, wiser advisors told him to be kind. But he listened to his younger friends, who told him to be mean. This was an unwise choice that split the kingdom in two!

This decision sent God's people on a wild, up-and-down time in their lives. Some kings, like Ahab (who we'll talk

about more soon!), chose to do terrible things and led the people away from God. Their choices mattered, affecting a whole nation. Our choices matter too, even the small ones.

Write down one choice you made recently that felt like an "up" (good) or a "down" (not so good)?

DAY 3

Read 1 Kings 21:1-16

When you're at a theme park, you choose which ride to go on, right? Some kings of Israel chose an "unwise path" instead of God's wisdom! King Ahab ignored God's wisdom and worshipped false gods. He even wanted a vineyard that belonged to a man named Naboth. When Naboth wouldn't sell it, Ahab and his wife, Jezebel, made a very unwise choice: they lied and had Naboth killed to take the vineyard.

Ahab chose a path of greed and dishonesty, completely ignoring the better path. His decisions caused big trouble for himself and the whole country. The Bible shows us that these unwise choices led to bad consequences. What we say and how we treat others can also lead to good or bad outcomes. That's why it's so important to ask God for wisdom!

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

- King Ahab chose an _____ path instead of God's wisdom.
- Ahab and Jezebel chose to _____ about Naboth to get his vineyard.

- This story shows how _____ choices can lead to big problems.

*Answers: unwise, lie, unwise

DAY 4

Read 2 Chronicles 34:1-4

Even with all the bad kings, some kings in Judah made wise choices and led the people closer to God.

King Josiah was only eight years old when he became king, but he decided to follow God! He cleaned up the Temple, and guess what? They found God's Law book, which had been lost! When Josiah heard God's words, he knew he had to lead the people back to God. His wise choice led the whole nation to repent and celebrate God. You don't have to be old to make wise choices! Even small choices make a big difference.

DAILY CHOICE TRACKER

On a piece of paper, create a simple chart for yourself for tomorrow. Make two columns: “Wise Choice” and “Unwise Choice.” Throughout the day, when you make a choice, jot it down in the correct column. For example, “Wise Choice: Chose to do homework right away.” Or “Unwise Choice: Argued with my brother.” At the end of the day, look at your chart and see how many wise choices you made!

DAY 5

Read Proverbs 16:16–33

Did you know that all wisdom comes from God? He wants to help you make wise choices every single day. Just like the kings in the Bible, your choices matter. What you choose to say and do will shape your life and even impact the people around you.

If you practice choosing kind words instead of yelling, over time, you'll become a kinder person. If you choose friends

who show God's love, you'll be encouraged to do the same. God sent Jesus to show us what it looks like to make wise choices, to love God and love others. When you choose to pause and talk to God before reacting, or choose to do your homework right away, you're making a wise choice!

“Dear God, thank You for showing us that our choices matter. Please give me wisdom to make wise choices in what I say and do. Help me to choose what honors You and helps others. Thank you for Jesus, who shows me how to live wisely. I love you, Amen.”

Journal

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

Why do your choices matter?

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