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God Is Wise

2 Chronicles 9:1-12; 1 Kings 10:1-13

The Queen of Sheba heard about King Solomon's wisdom and she traveled a great distance to see it for herself. After testing him with difficult questions, she was amazed by his wisdom, wealth, palace, and leadership. She praised the Lord as the source of his success, recognizing that his wisdom came from God because God Is Wise. Her visit ends with her giving gifts to Solomon, and she leaves with a deeper respect for the God of Israel.

Talk about these questions at home:

- Where did King Solomon's wisdom come from?
- How do we grow in wisdom?

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God Is the One True King

1 Kings 12

When Rehoboam became king, the people of Israel asked him to lighten the heavy taxation and forced labor from his father Solomon. Instead of listening to some wise advisors, he threatened to make their burdens even heavier. In response, the Northern tribes rejected his rule and made Jeroboam their king. Rehoboam remained king over Judah. The unified kingdom of Israel was divided with two kings. Even when the earthly kings failed, God Is the One True King!

Talk about these questions at home:

- Why didn't the Northern tribes want Rehoboam to be their king?
- Do you think God was still in control when the kingdom split? Why?

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God Is the One and Only God

1 Kings 18:16-46

The prophet Elijah called King Ahab and the prophets of Baal to a contest to reveal the one true God. They each took a bull and laid it on their altar. The challenge was to see which God would bring fire. Baal didn't answer no matter how much the prophets prayed. But Elijah drenched the altar of the Lord with water, prayed for fire, and the altar was immediately consumed. The people cried out, "The Lord is the one and only God!"

Talk about these questions at home:

- How did God show that He is the One and only God?
- What do you think it would've been like to be there with Elijah that day?

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God Is All Powerful

2 Kings 5:1-19

A powerful army commander had a skin condition that made him unclean. The king of Aram sent him to Elisha in Israel to be healed. Naaman was angry when Elisha didn't even come out to meet him, but instead sent a messenger telling him to go wash in the Jordan River seven times. At first, Naaman refused, but his servants urged him to follow the simple command. When he went and finally washed, his skin was healed. God Is All-Powerful and He healed Naaman's skin!

Talk about these questions at home:

- Why do you think Naaman didn't want to wash in the Jordan River at first?
- What makes it hard to obey God sometimes?

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