

# King Solomon's Prayer for Wisdom

Wisdom 7:7-14

Old  
Testament  
Story Time

When King Solomon, the son of King David, first became King of Israel the Lord God offered to give him anything he wanted. Instead of asking for riches or power, King Solomon asked the Lord God for wisdom to lead the nation of Israel. With his great wisdom, King Solomon gained lots of knowledge and wrote thousands of proverbs and poems.

The Book of Wisdom writes about this request of King Solomon for the great gift of wisdom. We hear how King Solomon prayed and pleaded and the spirit of Wisdom came to him.

In the Bible, the wisdom King Solomon received is often described as if it is a person and given the name Lady Wisdom. We call this personification, which is a literary device where human traits, actions, or emotions are attributed to an object, animal, or an abstract idea.

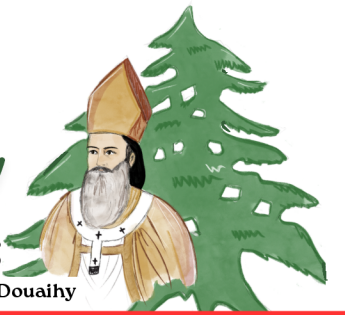
Lady Wisdom is a divine figure that represents the wisdom given by God, a gift of the Holy Spirit that allows one to see and judge things from God's perspective, understanding divine truths and applying them to life. In the prayer of King Solomon, he said how he preferred wisdom to power, authority, and riches.

King Solomon says how he loved Lady Wisdom beyond health and beauty, and she provides the greatest light to see and guide a person. King Solomon described Lady Wisdom as the leader and mother of all good things, and is the greatest treasure because when a person gains her they are brought into friendship with God.



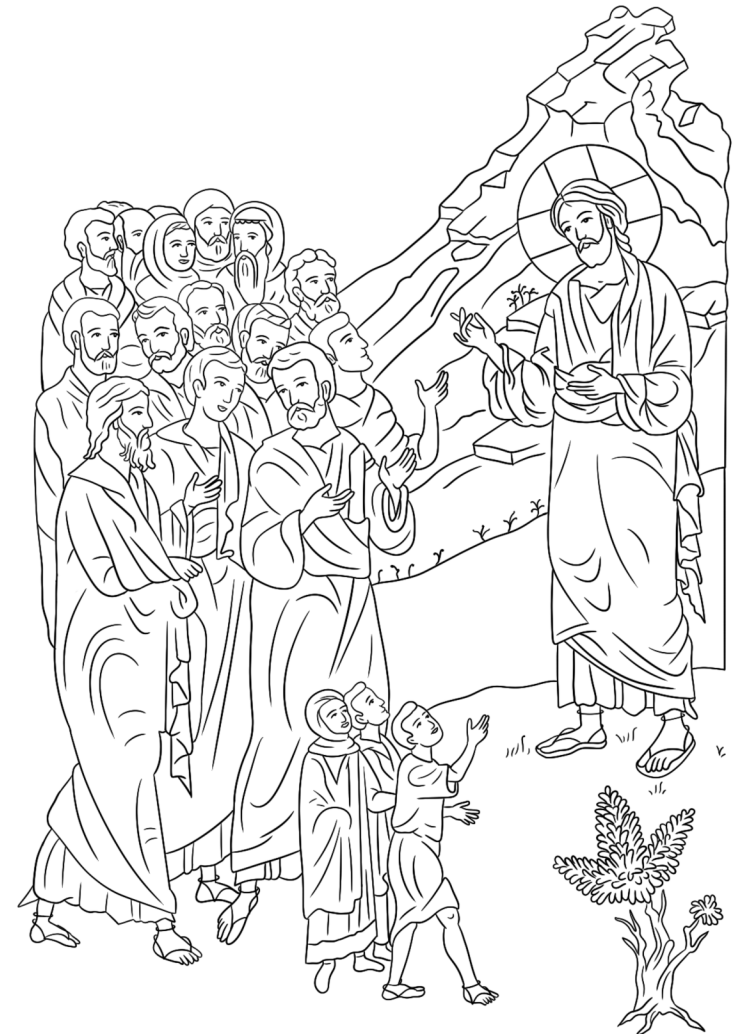
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## Kids



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**“I give you praise, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
for although you have hidden these things  
from the wise and learned  
you have revealed them to the childlike.”**





# Gospel Corner

Luke  
10:21-24

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus praises the Heavenly Father for His disciples' "childlike" faith. If you are reading this, you probably are a child. And, chances are, you are often told that you have to be older before you can do certain things. Things like going somewhere alone, staying up until midnight, having a phone, etc.

Maybe this makes you impatient to grow up because you can't wait to have more freedom and more privileges. However, today we hear Jesus praising His Father for something that a child (not an adult!) would have.

If you are a child then it is likely that you can easily access your "childlike faith."

Here are a few ways for you to exercise your childlike faith:

1. Believe Jesus and take Him at His word. He doesn't lie. You can believe everything He says in Scripture.



2. Ask Jesus questions. Did you know that you can pray anytime, anywhere, and with any words? Kids are great at asking questions and Jesus wants to hear them!

3. Talk about Jesus with your own words. Describe Him the way you understand Him. Jesus doesn't want everyone to use big fancy words when they talk about Him. Jesus loves simplicity.



Can you think of anything else? What does "childlike faith" mean to you?

## Did you know?

### VIRTUE of SIMPLICITY

The virtue of simplicity means being authentic without deception or dishonesty.

Living the virtue of simplicity means to be honest with pure intention and having a singular focus on God.

## What you can do

Pray and ask God to help you have and maintain childlike faith.

Ask your priest or RE teacher any spiritual questions that you have.

Read from your Bible this week.



## Trace the Bible Verse



Trace the verse from today's Gospel reading.

You have revealed them to  
the childlike.  
Luke 10:21b

