

LESSON 3: Solomon's Prayer - 1 Kings 3:5-8

Glenn Inn

Hello Brothers and Sisters of West Valley. Today's Prayer Adult Sunday School is a study on Solomon and his prayer to God. The discussion format I will be use is Onnuri's HOME Group format: The 4 W's.

Welcome Friendly greeting, and sharing of fellowship. Share events of the week in thanks to God. Usually done with a meal or snack (no alcohol).

Please come in, and find a seat. There will be a light snack available. Greet your neighbors and check-in. Due to the short time, please get settled quickly.

Worship Focus the mind, heart, and will towards God.
"Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ Eph 5:19-20

Opening Prayer – sets the posture of the home catechism as an event dependent upon the favor of God

1. Song

I love you, Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship You
Oh, my soul rejoice!

Take joy my King
In what You hear
Let it be a sweet, sweet
sound in Your ear

2. Opening Prayer

Word This is the focused study on Scripture initiated by the facilitator with open-ended questions. Group cognition is at its highest here

Scripture: 1 Kings 3:5-8

5 At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you."

6 Solomon answered, "You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day.

7 "Now, Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties.

8 Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number.

9 So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?"

1. Was there anything in this reading that stood out to you? Why?
2. How would you interpret Solomon's interactions with God?
3. What benefits came because of this conversation (albeit in a dream) with God?

Witness What relevant actions or activities arise from this week's study. How do members respond to this week's study.

Today we will break into groups of 3 or 4max and do a **Heart Prayer**.

Just as God brought forth the burden on Solomon's heart, we too have access to the Holy Spirit for release of burdens.

We will use scripture and biblical themes to meditate and allow the Holy Spirit to creatively reveal through: *our 5 senses, images, words, impression, scripture, etc.*

*Psalm 139:23-24: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!
And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!*

James 4:8: Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

To start, we will enter into prayer: Ask the Lord to reveal the condition of your heart

Each share within your group:

What was revealed....

What is your Interpretation...

How will you Apply?