

Crafts

Craft: "Wisdom Crowns"

Materials List:

- Construction paper (various colors)
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- Crayons or markers
- Stickers, sequins, or other decorative items
- Stapler or tape

Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Prepare the Crown Base:

- Cut strips of construction paper about 2 inches wide. Each student will need two or three strips to fit around their head.

2. Assemble the Crown:

- Have the students measure the strips around their heads and staple or tape them together to form a band that fits comfortably.

3. Decorate the Crown:

- Provide crayons, markers, and decorative items such as stickers or sequins.
- Encourage students to decorate their crowns with patterns, shapes, or symbols they feel represent wisdom, such as light bulbs or wise owls.

4. Add Jewel-Like Decorations:

- Cut small shapes from construction paper to resemble jewels or gems.
- Students can color these in bright colors and glue them onto their crowns.

5. Write a "Wisdom Phrase":

- Ask the students to think of a short phrase or word related to wisdom (like "wise", "smart", "think", or "Solomon's wisdom") and write it on their crown band for a personal touch.

6. Final Assembly:

- Once all decorations and phrases are complete, ensure everything is secure and the crown fits well.

Reinforcing the Lesson:

This activity reinforces the lesson of 1 Kings 4, where Solomon is recognized for his great wisdom and knowledge. By creating a crown, students connect with the idea of kingship and wisdom, as crowns are symbols of royalty and authority. Moreover, decorating their crowns with symbols and phrases associated with wisdom helps them internalize the message that wisdom is valuable and worthy of recognition. By engaging in this hands-on activity, students can better understand and remember the story of Solomon's wisdom and its importance.