

Solomon's Fame - 2 Chronicles 9:1-31

Topics: Achievements, Answers, Believe, Death, Gifts, Happiness, Heroes, History, Justice, Love, Money, Possessions, Praise, Questions, Righteousness, Wealth, Wisdom

Open It

1. What fancy or wealthy homes have you visited?
2. How would you describe your dream house?
- * 3. What person's wisdom or intelligence most impresses you?

Explore It

4. Why did the queen of Sheba visit Solomon? (9:1)
- * 5. What famous queen's visit to Solomon is recorded in this passage? (9:1-12)
- * 6. What did Solomon do that was so impressive to the queen of Sheba? (9:2-8)
7. How did the queen of Sheba's real-life impression of Solomon match up to what she had heard about him? (9:5-6)
8. What did the queen of Sheba give to Solomon? (9:9)
9. How much did Solomon give to the queen of Sheba? (9:12)
10. How much gold did Solomon receive each year? (9:13-14)
11. What did Solomon do with the gold he received in tribute? (9:15-16)
12. What expensive decorations did Solomon make for his palace? (9:17-20)
13. What exotic items did Solomon's trading ships bring back to him? (9:21)
- * 14. How rich was Solomon and the nation of Israel? (9:22-28)
15. How long was Solomon king of Israel? (9:30)
16. When Solomon died, who succeeded him? (9:31)

Get It

- * 17. What was the source of Solomon's impressive wisdom?
18. How can other people see God through the wisdom and skills He has given to us?
19. To what extent, or in what way, is prosperity an indicator of God's approval of our life?
20. How would it make you feel to be as wealthy as Solomon?
21. How do you think being wealthy would affect your relationship with God?
22. If you had great wealth, how might you use it to help other people?
23. In what ways can you use your present finances and resources to help others?
- * 24. How does reading about all of Solomon's exquisite possessions, followed by the account of his death, help to put life into perspective for you?

Apply It

- * 25. How could you appropriately give credit to God whenever other people compliment your skills or talents this week?
26. What "riches" can you begin to accumulate today that will follow you into eternity?