



## Introduction

*A picture of the reign of Solomon, David's son*



## Questions

1. In his dream, what did Solomon ask God for?
2. Under what conditions did God promise Solomon a long life?
3. Where was the ark of the LORD at this time?



## Summary Points

- **v 1 and 2** Solomon makes a political marriage and brings his wife to Jerusalem
- **v 3 to 9** God appears to Solomon in a dream and asks him what he would like from him
- **v 10 to 15** God is pleased with Solomon's request and promises him riches and honour as well as wisdom
- **v 16 to 28** Solomon demonstrates his God-given wisdom (see theme) when two women come into Solomon's court with a difficult problem

**Timeline** 1050 BC (see below)



## Theme

### God - the source of wisdom

When the Israelites were making the tabernacle, God gave special skills to the men who were making it:

*Exodus 36 verses 1 and 2*

God gave king Solomon great wisdom:

*1 Kings 4 verses 29 to 34*

God's wisdom is seen in the natural world:

*Psalms 104 verses 24 and 25*

The book of Proverbs tells us that fear of the LORD is the start of the process of having God's wisdom:

*Proverbs 9 verse 10*

The book of Proverbs tells us that the wisdom that comes from the LORD can guide our lives:

*Proverbs 2 verses 6 to 12*

The apostle Paul tells the Corinthian believers that God's wisdom is vastly superior to man's wisdom:

*1 Corinthians 1 verses 22 to 25*

James tells us that God will give us wisdom to help us in time of trial if we ask in faith:

*James 1 verses 2 to 6*



## ? Answers to questions

Verses which answer the questions:

Q 1: v 9, Q 2: v 14, Q 3: v 15

## Bible timeline

