Wise Guy

Who is someone you consider to be wise? How can you tell they are wise?

Read 1 Kings 3:1-28.

- 1. Why did Solomon marry Pharaoh's daughter?
 - A. It was love at first sight.
 - B. God advised Solomon to do this.
 - C. David advised Solomon to do this.
 - D. This secured a political alliance.
 - E. Solomon experienced bouts of loneliness.
 - F. Solomon considered this a wise method of evangelism.
 - G. They had a lot in common.
 - H. He enjoyed spending time with her.
 - I. Other.
- 2. Why did Solomon choose to go to Gibeon to offer sacrifices as king?
 - A. Any place would do, as long as there were sacrifices.
 - B. Gibeon had a mixed history (Joshua 9 and 10; 2 Samuel 2 and 21).
 - C. Worship at the local altars (high places) broke the 2nd commandment.
 - D. It was the major high place near Jerusalem.
 - E. This is where the wilderness tabernacle stood (2 Chronicles 1:3).
 - F. The ark remained in Gibeon (2 Samuel 6).
 - G. Jerusalem had no place to worship at this time.
 - H. A political decision: Gibeon was a city in Benjamin—King Saul's tribe.
 - I. Other.
- 3. In his dream, what did Solomon ask from God?
 - A. Wisdom.
 - B. Understanding.
 - C. More wives.
 - D. Wealth and peace.
 - E. Faithfulness to God's covenant.
 - F. A personal relationship with God.
 - G. A long life.
 - H. Lots of friends.
 - I. Other.

- 4. What did God promise Solomon?
 - A. Wisdom.
 - B. Understanding.
 - C. Wives.
 - D. Wealth and peace.
 - E. A temple in Jerusalem.
 - F. Respect and honor.
 - G. Whatever Solomon wanted.
 - H. Other.
- 5. What made Solomon's judgment of the two women difficult?
 - A. It wasn't difficult for Solomon.
 - B. It was a "she said," "she said," argument.
 - C. Nobody else witnessed it.
 - D. They were women who appealed to the king.
 - E. One child was dead and another was about to die.
 - F. Solomon had a knack for discerning liars.
 - G. This was a test case early in Solomon's reign.
 - H. Other.
- 6. When could you use more wisdom?
 - A. Just about every day.
 - B. When I face something and I don't know what to do.
 - C. Dealing with certain people in my family.
 - D. Facing dilemmas.
 - E. Sometimes I just feel so stupid (can I say that?).
 - F. The times I'm being tested.
 - G. I can't think of anything.
 - H. Other.
- 7. What would you say if God asked you, "What do you want?"
- 8. What wisdom do you have at this point in your life? How do you get more?