

# SOLOMON'S LIFE

**Scripture:**  
I Kings 3-4, 11

**Materials Needed:**

**Memory Verse:** Guard your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the issues of life. Proverbs 4:19

**Objectives:** As a result of this lesson, I want my students

To Know:

That Solomon loved God and demonstrated it through sacrificing, asking for wisdom, building a temple, and praying for God's name to be there. God responded to Solomon by not only giving him wisdom, but also wealth, land, and a strong nation. Nevertheless, when Solomon chose to love women from foreign nations, it turned his heart away even to the point that he made altars for their false gods.

To Realize: One's love for God is demonstrated by how they spend their time, how they spend their money and what they want to do, but even one who has great love for God can change if they choose to fall in love with someone who does not love God.

To Respond: by demonstrating their love for God in how they spend their money, how they spend their time and what they want, and guarding their heart—not giving their love to someone who does not love God.

## Setting up the Story:

Commercial that I saw when I was growing up said, "How's your love life?" It was a toothpaste commercial! Get this toothpaste and you will have a better love life! Today we are going to look at a person in the Bible and the question we are going to answer is, "How is his love life?"

Scripture

### Telling the story:

- I, Solomon Loved God
  - A. 1000 Sacrifices
  - B. Asks for wisdom
  - C. Built the Temple
  - D. Demonstrated Love
    - 1. how he spent his money
    - 2. how he spent his time
    - 3. what he wanted

### As you tell the story:

- II. God Loved Solomon
  - A. Gives wisdom
  - B. Gives riches and land
  - C. Gives people
  - D. Gives strong leader
  - E. Answers Solomon's prayer

- III. Solomon Loved Foreign Women
  - A. From surrounding countries
  - B. Built high places for Chemosh and Molech
  - C. Demonstrated love for his wives
    - 1. how he spent his money
    - 2. how he spent his time
    - 3. what he wanted to do

**Concluding the Story:**

How was Solomon's love life? How could we tell what Solomon loved? (how he spent his money and time; what he wanted). If you had asked Solomon here (point to first panel on sacrifice) if anything could change his love for God, he probably would have thought you were crazy! What did change his love for God? He didn't guard his heart.