

1A God provides for the transition of the kingship from David to Solomon in fulfillment of the Davidic covenant (1 Kgs 1–11)

2B God establishes Solomon's kingdom (2:13–46)

**3B Solomon's wisdom displayed in his administration and organization
3:1–4:46**

**1C God gives Solomon wisdom
3:1–15**

**2C Solomon's wisdom
demonstrated 3:16–4:34**

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מַלַּךְ *mālak* in the hiphel is causative,
Solomon acknowledges God’s sovereignty.

**Proverbs 3:34, “Surely He scorns the scornful,
but gives grace to the humble.”**

1 Peter 5:5, “Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to *your* elders. Yes, all of *you* be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for ‘God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.’

1 Peter 5:6, “Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,”

Proverbs 11:2, “When pride comes, then comes shame; but with the humble *is* wisdom.”

Proverbs 16:19, “Better *to be* of a humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.”

Proverbs 29:23, “A man’s pride will bring him low, but the humble in spirit will retain honor.”

**שָׁמָע *šāma*: a listening heart, used as an idiom
for an obedience.**

בִּינָה *biyn*: to discern, to be able to intelligently consider and choose wisely.



חָכָם *hākām*: An adjective meaning wise. This word is used to describe one who is skilled or experienced.

בִּינָה *biyn*: A verb meaning to discern, to perceive, to observe, to pay attention to, to be intelligent, to be discreet, to understand.

1 Kings 4:22, “Now Solomon’s provision for one day was thirty kors of fine flour, sixty kors of meal,

1 Kings 4:23, “ten fatted oxen, twenty oxen from the pastures, and one hundred sheep, besides deer, gazelles, roebucks, and fatted fowl.”



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Sea of Galilee
(Sea of Kinnereth)

Tiberias
Nazareth

▲ Mt. Tabor
▲ Mt. Moreh

Kishon R.
Mt. Carmel

Yarmuk R.

Mt. Gilboa

PLAIN OF SHARON

HILL COUNTRY
OF EPHRAIM

Jordan R.

Mt. Ebal

▲ Shechem

Jabbok R.

Tel Aviv
Joppa

Yarkon R.

▲ Mt. Gerizim

BENJAMIN
MTS.

Rabbah
(Amman)

Jericho

Mt. of Olives

▲ Mt. Nebo

Jerusalem

ABARIM
MTS.

Bethlehem

FOOTHILLS (SHEPHELAH)
JUDEAN
MTS.

Hebron

En Gedi

Amnon R.
Dead Sea
(Salt Sea)

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Besor R.

Beersheba

NEGEV