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## Solomon Asks for Wisdom First Kings 3: 1-28



**Wisdom** (Hebrew: *hokma*) has already played an important role in the narrative, guiding **Solomon** in **his** treatment of those who were a threat to **him** (**to see link click [Ap - Putting the Kingdom First](#)**). And it will play an even greater central role now in this chapter. **The king** had a dream where **he** confessed **his** lack of discernment before **ADONAI** and was promised (among other things) a **wise and discerning heart** (see **[At - Solomon's Wish](#)**). **He** then handed down a legal judgment where we can see the result of that **wisdom** (see **[Au - The Wisdom of Solomon](#)**). The major question is how does **Solomon** use **his** new gift from this point onward.<sup>70</sup>