

UNIT VERSE

Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another.

HEBREWS 10:24-25 (ESV)

Ways We Worship

Worship is what we do when we respond to God. Use this word search to find some of the ways. Are there other ways you worship?

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 R D F X C B L E F S
 C N S I O R E A D E
 B N S T E W A Y B S
 K U O F F E R I N G
 M L I S T E N I T V
 P R A Y A G E N T H
 I M X Y N E R O J E



WORD BANK

PRAY	LEARN
READ	LISTEN
OBEDY	OFFERING
WRITE	MUSIC

Did You Know?

The trees for Solomon's temple were cut down and chopped into such huge logs that they had to come up with a strange plan to get them to Jerusalem. After they were cut, the logs were tied together to make large rafts. Then they were floated on the sea to a place closer to where the temple was being built.



The Truth in the Trees

When Solomon built the temple, workers cut down many cedar and cypress trees to make the beautiful building. Check out the tree stump. Can you read the message on the growth rings?

Start at the letter in the center ring marked with a black dot. Read in a clockwise direction until you reach the black dot again. Then, jump out to the next ring and continue reading. Write the message in the space below to answer the question.

HINT: We wrote the first word for you!



Why was building the temple so important??

GOD _____

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CONVERSATION

Solomon Built the Temple

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Four years after Solomon became king, he began to build God's temple. God gave Solomon detailed instructions. The temple would be 90 feet long, 30 feet wide, and 45 feet high.

God promised that if Solomon would follow God's commands and obey Him, God would always live among the Israelites and never leave them.

Solomon used panels of cedar wood, bronze, gold, and stone in the temple, and he gave special attention to every detail. The most holy part of the temple was the inner sanctuary. This place would hold the ark of the covenant, which had been with the people as they traveled with Moses in the wilderness.

After seven years, the temple was complete. All the people gathered as the priests carried the ark of the covenant into the temple. When the priests came out, a cloud filled the temple, and God's glory was in the cloud. "Blessed be the God of Israel!" Solomon said. "God promised my father, David, that his son would build a temple. God kept His promise!"

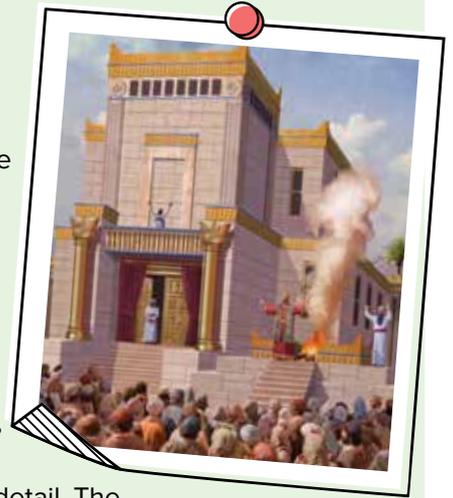
Solomon stood in front of all of the people and spread out his arms toward heaven. He prayed, "Lord, there is no God like You in heaven above or on earth below!" As Solomon prayed, he thought about the future. He knew the people would sin again, so he asked for forgiveness. He also asked God to hear their prayers.

After Solomon's prayer, he said to the Israelites, "Let your hearts be completely devoted to God. Obey Him in all things." Solomon sacrificed 22,000 cattle and 120,000 sheep to dedicate the temple to the Lord. Solomon and all of Israel celebrated for 14 days. On the 15th day, Solomon sent the people away. They blessed the king and went home to their tents. They rejoiced and thanked God for His goodness.

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: 1 Chronicles 16:9

LIFE POINT: Worshiping God is an important part of what the church does.

TAKE IT FURTHER: Check out *Solomon Built the Temple* in Bible Studies for Life on the LifeWay Kids App for Bible stories and games.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Today your child heard that worshiping God is an important part of what the church does. After Solomon had completed the temple, a new place of worship, the people gathered to worship, praise, and thank God.

LIVE IT OUT

Help your child understand that the church is the people who worship together. Think about some churches in your community who meet in different kinds of buildings. Pray with your child for these believers.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God wants people to gather to worship Him.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: 1 Chronicles 16:9

Monday: Psalm 111:1

Tuesday: 1 Samuel 15:22

Wednesday: Nehemiah 9:6

Thursday: Habakkuk 3:17-18

Friday: Psalm 86:9

Saturday: Revelation 14:7