

**THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
(ENGLISH TO VOICE WHILE ANOTHER PERSON SIGNS)

THE FIRST LESSON IS 1 KINGS 3:5-[ 13<sup>1</sup> ]

5. A MAN NAMED SOLOMON CAME TO THE AREA OF GIBEON. WHILE SLEEPING THERE, GOD APPEARED TO HIM IN A VISION. IN A DREAM GOD SAID: ANYTHING THAT YOU WANT, PRAY FOR THAT AND I WILL GIVE IT TO YOU!"
6. SOLOMON ANSWERED: "MY FATHER DAVID WAS TRULY YOUR SERVANT. HE ALWAYS FOLLOWED YOUR FAITH LIFE IN ACTION. YES, HIS HEART WAS HONEST AND RIGHTEOUS, SO YOU WERE KIND TO HIM. YOU SHOWED GREAT KINDNESS TO HIM EVEN UP TO NOW, WOW! YES, YOU CONTINUE YOUR KINDNESS TO HIS SON, ALLOWING ME TO SIT ON [ MY FATHER'S ] THRONE.
7. "LORD GOD... YOU ESTABLISHED ME, YOUR SERVANT KING, TO REPLACE MY FATHER DAVID! BUT I AM LIKE A SMALL BOY, SO YOUNG AND I DON'T KNOW OR UNDERSTAND THE RIGHT ACTIONS TO COMPLETE MY MANY AND IMPORTANT DUTIES!
8. "YOUR PEOPLE HERE THAT YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN, ARE A GREAT PEOPLE, WOW! THEY ARE SO MANY THAT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO COUNT THEM! NOW, WHAT CAN I, YOUR SERVANT, DO HERE AMONG SO MANY, WHAT?
9. "WHO ALONE IS ABLE TO RULE YOUR GREAT AND MANY PEOPLE? WHO CAN ALONE? ... THEREFORE, I, YOUR SERVANT, PRAY THAT YOU GIVE IN ME THE ABILITY TO EVALUATE YOUR PEOPLE WITH UNDERSTANDING. THEN I WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE THEIR HIDDEN RIGHT FROM WRONG. YES, GIVE ME THAT AND I WILL BE ABLE TO RULE THEM!"

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<sup>1</sup>VERSE 13 IS OPTIONAL; #1 NOTE ON NEXT PAGE REFERS TO THIS NOTE

10. SOLOMON'S PRAYER TRULY PLEASED THE LORD!
11. NOW GOD SAID TO HIM: "WITH YOUR RECENT PRAYER YOU COULD HAVE REQUESTED A LONG LIFE. OR YOU COULD HAVE PRAYED FOR RICHES FOR YOURSELF. OR YOU COULD HAVE PRAYED FOR THE DEATH OF YOUR ENEMIES SO I KILL THEM. BUT OH NO! INSTEAD OF ASKING FOR THOSE THREE THINGS OR ANY ONE OF THEM... INSTEAD, YOU PRAYED FOR A HEART IN YOU WHICH COULD EVALUATE THE PEOPLE WITH UNDERSTANDING SO YOU COULD RIGHTLY JUDGE THEM AND RULE THEM FAIRLY...
12. "THEREFORE, JUST AS YOU RECENTLY PRAYED, SO ALSO I WILL GIVE YOU A TRULY WISE AND UNDERSTANDING HEART IN YOU. NO ONE HAS EVER HAD OR WILL EVER HAVE IN THE FUTURE THE SAME ABILITY I GIVE YOU.
- [13<sup>1</sup>. "BUT I WILL ALSO GIVE YOU RICHES AND HONOR. YOU DID NOT PRAY FOR THESE BUT STILL I WILL GIVE YOU RICHES AND HONOR DURING YOUR LIFE HERE. AMONG ANY OF THE OTHER KINGS, PEOPLE HAVE NEVER SEEN THE RICHES AND HONOR THAT WILL EQUAL YOURS !" ]

THE SECOND LESSON IS ROMANS 8:28-30

28. THOSE WITH GOD'S LOVE CAN AND DO LOVE HIM. THEY ARE THOSE LIVING IN AGREEMENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF HIS CALL. GOD CAUSES EVERYTHING, REGARDLESS OF WHAT IT IS, TO ACCOMPLISH GOOD FOR THEM. YES, THIS WE TRULY KNOW!
29. [ THE FATHER ] ALREADY, LONG AGO KNEW THOSE SAME ONES. HE DECIDED THAT THOSE PEOPLE WILL BECOME A PERFECT COPY OF HIS SON, [ JESUS ]. JESUS IS HIS FIRST BORN AND HE DECIDED THAT THOSE PEOPLE WILL BECOME JESUS' BROTHERS [ AND SISTERS ]... YES,
30. THOSE SAME ONES THAT [ THE FATHER ] ALREADY LONG AGO KNEW ARE THE SAME ONES HE CALLED; THOSE SAME ONES THAT HE CALLED SO LONG AGO, HE JUDGED ALREADY, ANNOUNCING THEM HOLY; YES, TO THOSE SAME ONES HE WILL GIVE GLORY.

THE HOLY GOSPEL IS MATTHEW 13:44-52

JESUS WAS WITH HIS FOLLOWERS. HE TOLD THEM ANOTHER STORY THAT INFORMS ABOUT A HEAVENLY TRUTH:

44. "THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE THAT TREASURE. SOMEONE HAD HID IT IN AN AREA. LATER, ANOTHER ONE FOUND IT AND THEN HID IT AGAIN. HIS JOY IN HIM CAUSED HIM TO GO, SELL THE THINGS HE HAD AND BUY THAT AREA!
45. "AGAIN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE THAT MAN WHOSE BUSINESS IS BUYING AND SELLING. HE SEARCHES FOR THE BEST PEARLS.
46. "WHEN HE SUCCEEDS IN FINDING THAT PERFECT, MOST BEAUTIFUL PEARL, HE GOES, SELLS ALL THE THINGS HE HAS AND BUYS IT.
47. "AGAIN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE THAT NET [ WHICH A GROUP OF FISHERMEN ] CAST INTO THE SEA. THEY PULL IN THE NET, BRING IN EVERY DIFFERENT KIND OF FISH.
48. "THEY PULL THE FULL NET UPON THE LAND NEAR THE SEA. THEN THEY SIT DOWN AROUND IT TO SEPARATE THE FISH. THEY PUT THE GOOD FISH INTO BASKETS TO KEEP THOSE FISH. THEY THREW AWAY THE NO GOOD WORTHLESS FISH!
49. "THE SAME THING WILL HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE WHEN TIME ENDS! THE EVIL AND RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE WILL ALL BE MIXED TOGETHER. MANY ANGELS WILL COME AND SEPARATE THE RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE FROM THE EVIL PEOPLE. [ THE ANGELS WILL THROW ] THOSE EVIL ONES
50. "INTO THAT PLACE OF HOT FIRE AND TERRIBLE SUFFERING WHERE THEY WILL GRIMACE IN PAIN GRINDING THEIR TEETH!"
51. [ JESUS ASKED THOSE FOLLOWERS ]: "THESE RECENT STORIES THAT I TOLD YOU... DO YOU UNDERSTAND THEM?" THEY SAID: "YES."
52. HE TOLD THEM: "THEREFORE [ UNDERSTAND ] THAT EVERY LAW TEACHER WHO LEARNS AND IS ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE THINGS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN... THAT TEACHER IS LIKE ONE WHO OWNS A HOUSE. IN HIS HOUSE IS A TREASURE ROOM FROM WHICH HE CAN BRING NEW TREASURE OR OLD TREASURE. YES, FROM THAT HE IS ABLE TO BRING BOTH!"