

Making Decisions

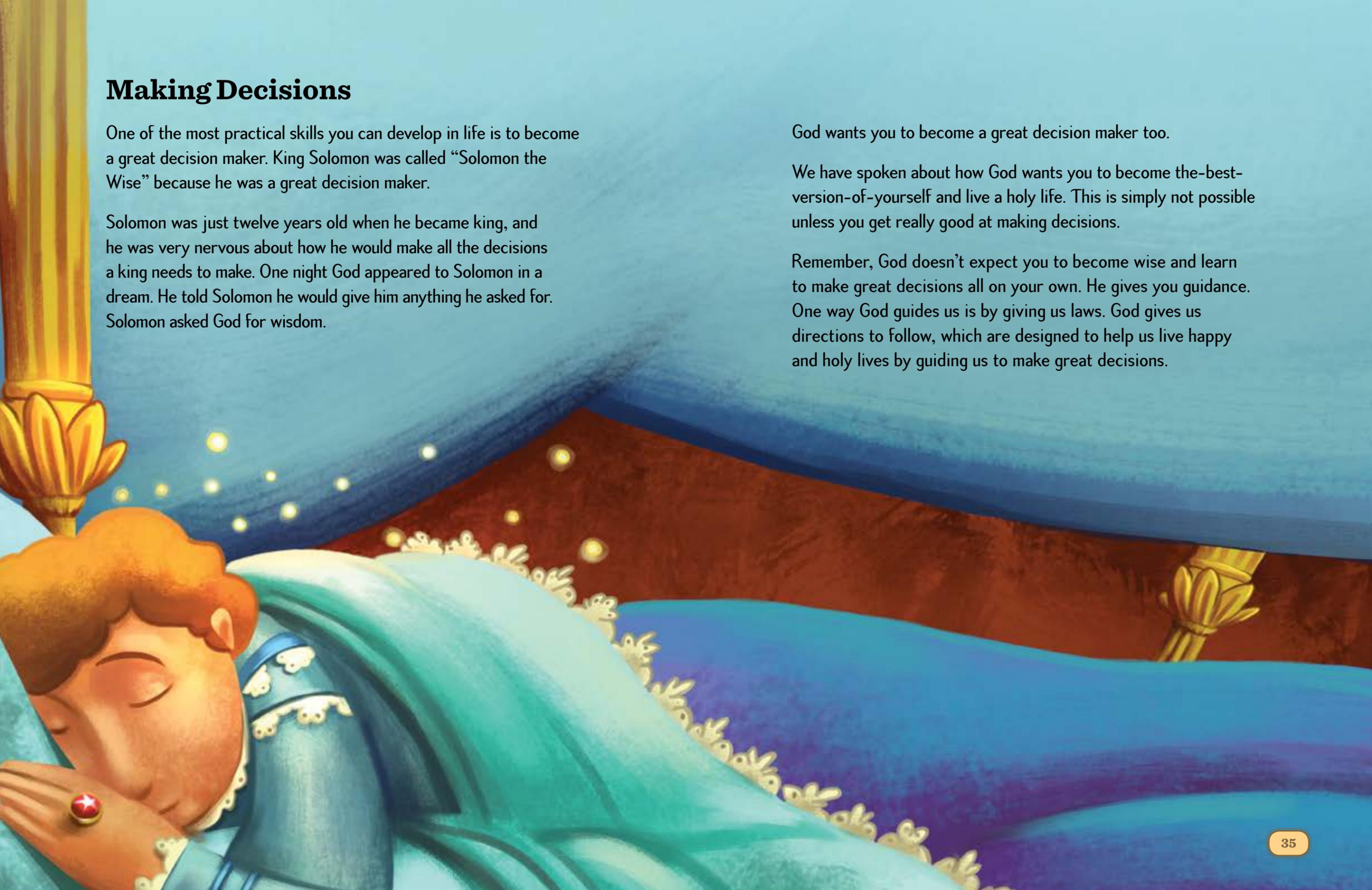
One of the most practical skills you can develop in life is to become a great decision maker. King Solomon was called “Solomon the Wise” because he was a great decision maker.

Solomon was just twelve years old when he became king, and he was very nervous about how he would make all the decisions a king needs to make. One night God appeared to Solomon in a dream. He told Solomon he would give him anything he asked for. Solomon asked God for wisdom.

God wants you to become a great decision maker too.

We have spoken about how God wants you to become the-best-version-of-yourself and live a holy life. This is simply not possible unless you get really good at making decisions.

Remember, God doesn't expect you to become wise and learn to make great decisions all on your own. He gives you guidance. One way God guides us is by giving us laws. God gives us directions to follow, which are designed to help us live happy and holy lives by guiding us to make great decisions.



The Best Way to Live

Moses was a great leader chosen by God to lead the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt. The Israelites were God's chosen people, and he blessed them by taking care of them.

God helped the Israelites escape from slavery in Egypt by parting the Red Sea. When the people were hungry, he sent them special food from heaven called manna. When they were thirsty, he made water come out of a rock for them to drink. And God led them to the Promised Land, a fabulous country filled with food and fresh water, where they could all live together as an extended family.

But along the way, the people became restless and ungrateful, began complaining, and turned their backs on God in lots of ways. They were also arguing with each other about what was the best way to live.

And yet, God did not give up on his people. Even though they had turned their backs on him and sinned against him, and even though they were not being the-best-version-of-themselves, he gave them another chance.



God Speaks to Moses

God invited Moses to come up a very high mountain as a representative of the people. On top of Mount Sinai he spoke to Moses through the burning bush. He also gave Moses his law written on two stone tablets—the Ten Commandments.

The Ten Commandments are a blessing from God given to his people. They help us become the-best-version-of-ourselves, grow in virtue, and live holy lives.

