Living the Word Teaching Youth God's Story Narrative Lectionary, Year 4

Lesson #4-8 SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13



Key Verse:

"Your son, whom I will set on your throne in your place, shall build the house for my name." 1 Kings 5:5

The Point:

We give the best of ourselves when we work to fulfill our callings.

Unit Theme (October 17—November 7)

Called by God

BUILDING GOD'S HOUSE

Share what God's house could look like.

Supplies:

- Bags
- Random objects that can be used for building

Preparation:

- 1. Gather bags of random objects (one bag for every three or four participants). These bags should include supplies that can be used to build something. You might include craft sticks, chenille stems, blocks, clay or play dough, glue, paper, scissors, small boxes, or other items that could be used for building.
- 2. If this activity will be done at home, ask participants to gather a large number of random objects for building.

Instructions:

- 1. Split participants into groups of three or four. Give each group a bag of random objects.
- 2. In today's story, Solomon built the temple, a house for God. Using the objects in your bag, build your own interpretation of what the temple may have looked like.
- 3. Give groups time to build their interpretations of the temple.
- 4. Invite small groups to share their creations with the rest of the class.