

When I, Solomon, became a ruler, I prayed for Wisdom.
I prayed, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
In Wisdom's company, all good things came to me.

Lord, please give me the gift of Wisdom

Chapters 8, 9

From my youth I sought and loved Wisdom.
Wisdom teaches us temperance, prudence, justice
and fortitude.

I prayed for Wisdom like this:

"God of our ancestors and Lord of mercy,
in Wisdom you made all things.

Grant me Wisdom who was with you
when you made the world.

May she teach me what is right,
so that I may be a good ruler."

Lord, please give Wisdom to all
government leaders, as you gave Wisdom
to King Solomon

Chapters 10 – 19

Wisdom has been present in the world
since the beginning of time.
Wisdom has always been a close friend of good people.
Wise people see God in the beauty of creation.
Foolish people are blind to God's presence in creation.
Wise people ponder God's goodness and kindness.
Wise people try to be good and kind to other people.

Lord, please help me see and imitate
your goodness and kindness