# Wisdom of Solomon

**Objective:**

- The Incarnation of the Wisdom
- The Divinity of Christ
- Solomon's Prayer for Wisdom
- Wisdom with the Old Testament Saints

**Resources:**

- Fr Tadros Y Malaty Commentary
- Catena Bible Commentary
- Fr Dawoud Lamie Bible study (Arabic)
- SUS Might Arrows

**Reading:**

- Chapter 2: 1-25
- Chapter 7: 26-30
- Chapter 9: 1-18

**Key verse(s):**

“For God loves none but those who dwell with wisdom” Wisdom 7:28

**Reading can be from OSB.**

**Comments:**

- The Book is one of the Deuterocanonical Books
- It has been canonized in our Church and it is one of the Poetic Books
- Solomon is the author and it can be testified from the Book for these reasons:
  - The same eloquent and profound poetic style found in Solomon's other books
  - It is placed in the same order as Solomon's other books
  - Mentioned himself in (Wisdom 9:7-12)
- The Book is found in the Septuagint
- Many Church fathers affirmed the Book's canonicity like: St. Clement of Alexandria, St. Augustine, St. Athanasius, and St. Irenaeus.
- The Book talks about the Logos and His incarnation, His work of salvation, and His passion
- Breakdown:

    - Chapters 1-9: Wisdom in life with people
    - Chapter 10-19: Wisdom in humanity with God's people in the Old Testament
- Chapter 2:
    - V. 1 The ungodly say that there is no eternal life.
    - V.12-25: Talk about our Lord Jesus and how people viewed Him
        - V.13 Accurate prophecy on our Lord Jesus Christ
        - V.14 The Lord knew their thoughts like the incident of the Paralytic man
        - V.18: This was mentioned at the Crucifixion
        - V.19-20: Talk about the Crucifixion
        - V.25 "The Same as the Reconciliation prayer in the Liturgy of St. Basil"
            - Proves the canonicity of the Book
- Chapter 7:26-30
    - Talks about the Divinity of Christ
        - V.28: God will not accept someone unless he is attached to Christ
- Chapter 9:
    - V. 1: God the Father created all things through His Son
    - V. 4: Solomon is not asking for wisdom (trait), but the Wisdom of God. This is the Logos to live in Him
    - V.6: No one is good or perfect except if he has our Lord Jesus Christ
    - V.7-12: Talks about Solomon
        - V.8: He built the Temple according to the pattern of the Tabernacle which Moses built as God Himself showed him
        - V.9: A Theological explanation that the Wisdom - God the Son - the Logos was present from the beginning of time. The Divine Timelessness of God the Son.
        - V.10: God's incarnation
    - V.16: Shows our limitations as humans. We can't understand everything on earth, so by default, we can't understand the heavens!
- Chapters 10-19: Talks about how the wisdom carried the Old Testament saints. Encourage the youth to read at home

**Review/recap questions:**
***Servant may add more questions*

1. When did our Lord read the people's thoughts?
2. Show a verse that is mentioned in the Divine Liturgy.
3. Chapter 9: Show verses that mention God's Divinity

**Homework:**
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1. "For she is the breath of the ..... of God, and a pure influence flowing from the glory of the .....: therefore can no defiled thing fall into her." Wisdom 7:25
2. "And hardly do we guess aright at things that are upon ....., and with labour do we find the things that are before us: but the things that are in ..... who hath searched out?" Wisdom 9:16

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