



The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Department of Christian Education

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Sunday School Lessons

Unit Two

"The Pledge of God's Presence"

April 2015



We are providing these notes from the Committee on Uniform Series that prepares associated Sunday School lesson outlines long in advance of their usage. Included in this Guide are thoughts that are reflected in the Lesson Development Guide for writers of Sunday school lessons and the recommended commentary of the Department of Christian Education, The New International Lesson Annual published by Abingdon Press Nashville, Tennessee.

The Spring Quarter (March-April-May) focuses on The Holy Spirit's role in the Godhead. The second unit is entitled **The Community of Beloved Disciples** (April).

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Community is built on unity and mutuality. What holds the members of a community together? The writer of 1 John says believers are made complete when as a community they abide in God's love and the Spirit of God's love abides in them.

Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To comprehend what is required to live with unity in community.
- ✓ To share experiences of love within the community that exemplify faith in and love for God.
- ✓ To celebrate the community's contribution to their formation as disciples of Jesus.

Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Be aware of the Spirit's prompting to be reconciled with someone with whom you have had a falling out. Recognize that God loves both you and person from whom you are estranged.
- Identify a fear that currently holds you in its grip. Memorize these words from 1 John 4:18: "Perfect love casts out fear." Say this verse whenever you feel yourself beset by fear.
- Explore the Bible to find examples of how love and obedience are related, particularly in the teachings and actions of Jesus.



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