

The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Department of Christian Education

MAKING DISCIPLES through "events that FORM and TRANSFORM"

Sunday School Lessons Unit Three "Holy Days" February 2016



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 Winter Quarter's lessons are presented under the theme of "Sacred Gifts and Holy Gatherings." Unit Three is entitled "Holy Days." The lessons during February like the lessons of the previous two-months focus on holy celebrations in the Jewishtradition. Jesus participates in some of these traditions of the faith.

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People love to commemorate historic events by creating traditional days of celebration. What makes these commemorations so important? God gave Moses and the people instructions for the first Passover, commemorating their deliverance from Egyptian bondage.

Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To recall events surrounding the institution of the Passover feast.
- ✓ To reflect on the meaning of Passover and what it reveals about God to learners.
- ✓ To praise God for salvation

Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Find a copy of the "The Passover Haggadah," which is a guide to the Seder meal. (Here is one you can find on the Internet: www.jewishfederation.org/images/uploads/holiday_images/39497.pdf.)
 Note: between holiday and images is an _. What do you learn about how the Passover is celebrated and who is included in this celebration? How would this liturgy help people of all ages to remember and participate in what God has done?
- Plan to attend an Ash Wednesday service this week to start the season of Lent.
- Renew and strengthen your relationship with God by setting aside time to practice a spiritual discipline such as prayer, meditation, or journaling.





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