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Sunday School Lessons Unit Three "One in the Bond of Love" May 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** and the third unit is entitled **One in the Bond of Love**.

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Most humans seek opportunities to become loyal contributing members of their societies. What motivates and empowers them to work together? Paul says that since one person does not possess all of the spiritual gifts, believers must work together for the church's common good.

Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To explore the purpose of spiritual gifts according to 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.
- ✓ To appreciate individual spiritual gifts and ways they are used.
- ✓ To discover the spiritual gifts of the faith community and how they can be used for its benefit.

Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Visit another faith community, perhaps one in the Pentecostal or Assemblies of God tradition. Observe how the gifts of the Spirit are used in these communities. What did you learn from this experience?
- Pray for discernment about your own spiritual gifts. What are your gifts? How are you using them for the common good? Are there opportunities for ministry that would allow you to make better use of your gifts? If so, what steps will you take to become involved with those ministries?
- Take a spiritual gifts inventory to determine and understand your own spiritual gifts. A spiritual gifts inventory can be found in the CME Membership Book found in the Department of Christian Education.



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