



# The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Department of Christian Education

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## Sunday School Lessons

### Unit One

### "Restorative Faith"

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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's lessons are presented under the theme of "The Gift of Faith." These lessons focus on the theme of faith as it is seen in the Gospels of Mark and Luke. Unit One is entitled "Restorative Faith."

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Everyone has desperate needs at times that cause him or her to wonder if any help is available. To whom can people turn for help that makes a difference? The centurion's faith in Jesus Christ as the great leader made the difference in meeting his need to see his servant healed.

#### Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To analyze the story of the centurion's faith and Jesus' healing of the centurion's servant.
- ✓ To experience strong faith for deliverance from illness like the faith of the centurion in the story.
- ✓ To commit (or recommit) to regularly visiting the sick to pray with them and to encourage them to believe God will heal according to God's will.

#### Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Compare the story of the healing of Naaman in 2 Kings 5 with that of the healing of the centurion's slave. What similarities do you notice? What differences? What do these stories suggest about God's desire that all people, including enemies, be healed?
- Plan to visit one or more sick people on a regular basis. Be prepared to read a short Scripture and offer a prayer.
- Keep a list of sick or injured people who need prayer. Offer prayer on a regular basis for each person.



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