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Sunday School Lessons

Unit One

"Restorative Faith"

April 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 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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April 17, 2016 "A Sound Mind" Luke 8:26-36

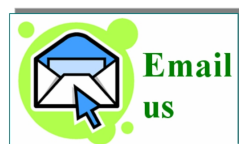
Sometimes when people suffer from emotional or physical disorders affecting the mind, they might behave abnormally and even be a threat to themselves or others. Who can clear their minds and give them something to shout about? Jesus once healed a man who was demon-possessed and then told him to go home and tell everyone how much God had done for him.

Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To learn the details of Jesus' healing of the Gerasene man from demons.
- ✓ To empathize with those who have great troubles and to remember their own times of trial.
- ✓ To support persons with mental health issues.

Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Research "demon" in a Bible concordance and Bible dictionary to discover what first-century people thought about demons and how Jesus responded to those who were demon-possessed.
- Learn all you can about how your community handles those who may be mentally ill. What help is available to these people? How is the community protected from such individuals if they may cause harm to themselves or others?
- Pray for those families touched by mental illness.



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