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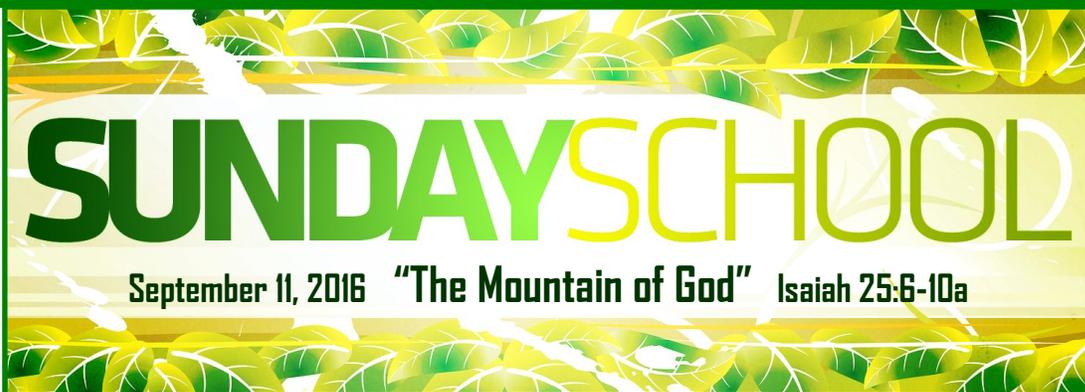
## Sunday School Lessons Unit One "The Sovereignty of God" September 2016



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 Fall's Quarter's lessons are presented under the theme of "God's Sovereignty." The scripture passages are from Isaiah, Hebrews and Revelation. Unit one is entitled "The Sovereignty of God."

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Oppressed people are always looking for relief from their injustices. Who will deliver them? Isaiah's prophecy reveals that the sovereign God will give deliverance from oppression.

### Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To understand that God acts in the best interests of all peoples and nations.
- ✓ To appreciate that God removes barriers that cause people to feel separated from God and one another.
- ✓ To rejoice that God gives hope to all oppressed peoples.

### Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Look at the country of origin of some products that you have recently purchased. Research the employment practices, average wages, and working conditions in the countries of origin. Do you have reason to believe that workers there are being exploited? What effect will your research have on future purchases?
- Be alert for people in your community who may be oppressed. For example, are there migrant workers or other seasonal laborers who may not be treated fairly? Are there people whose language skills are hampering them? What can you do to help such people? How can you get your church involved?
- Identify at least one missionary who ministers to people living under oppression. Pray daily for this person and those that he or she serves. If possible, make a contribution to support the work of this missionary.



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