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Sunday School Lessons Unit Three "Love Songs That Glorify God" February 2019

This quarter's study begins with God's demands for our complete and undivided love as shown in passages from Deuteronomy and Psalms. It proceeds with our response to God's love in the advent of Christ, and the Epistles' interpretations of the nature and extent of our responses to God's love in Christ. It concludes with passages from three of the Psalms expressing glorification of God.

Unit III, "Love Songs That Glorify God," has three sessions. The quarter ends with Psalm 48, which focuses on a song of adoration for God's steadfast love; Psalm 66 focuses on part of a love song of praise to God for all God's mighty works of goodness; and Psalm 91 closes this unit with a praise song to God for assurance of protection and comfort for those who love God.

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Unifying Principle

People strive to enhance their standing before others by calling attention to their abilities and honors. What is the proper attitude toward our accomplishments? Paul tells the Philippians that he willingly suffered the loss of his accomplishments for the greater goal of gaining and being found in Christ.

Goals for the Learners

- ✓ To explore Paul's stated accomplishments and his purpose for sharing these with the Philippian believers.
- To value one's relationship with Christ above all other facets of one's identity.
- ✓ To learn to practice humble detachment from the credentials or accomplishments of which one could boast.

Challenges for the Week

- Brainstorm attributes and practices that Christians should strive for. What support can you find from Scripture for these attributes and practices.
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- Create a resume for Paul based on this passage as well as Acts 26:4-5;
 Galatians 1:13-14; and others.

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. Send an email to: sundayschool@thecmechurchced.org to receive this guide electronically each week.

