



# The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

## Department of Christian Education

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### Sunday School Lessons Unit One "Judgement & Salvation" June 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 Summer Quarter's lessons are presented under the theme of "Toward a New Creation." The scripture passages in these lessons are from the broader theme of creation. Unit One is entitled "Judgment and Salvation."

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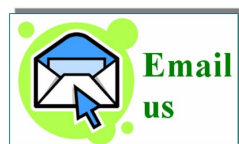
Some people do what they believe is right, while others constantly do what is wrong. Why do humans act this way? The psalmist says that some people live lives consistent with God's creation and even give praise constantly for all that God has done, while Paul points out that others disobey God and take pride in filling their lives with all kinds of actions that oppose God's decree.

#### Goal for the Learners

- ✓ To explore Paul's message to the Roman church about all manner of human sinfulness.
- ✓ To accept that humans have freedom to disobey God, but are subject to consequences.
- ✓ To discern God's will and follow it.

#### Lesson Challenges for the Week

- Help someone who is struggling with issues of right and wrong understand that action have consequences. Offer support but allow this person to make his or her own mistakes and experience the consequences.
- Spend time in nature this week. You need not go to the mountains or a beach far away, but enjoy time in your own yard or a nearby park. Even if you were not a believer, what evidence can you find that God exists and is the Creator of all that is?
- Read and contemplate Psalm 8, part of this week's background Scripture. How does the reality of human behavior, expressed by Paul in Romans 1, compare with the way that God intended humans to be? How does that discrepancy make you feel?



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