

Spring UIM SS Series 70: "Holding God and All of His Blessings Sacred"

Based on: *For from His fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.* John 1:16 and
*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights,
with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.* James 1:17

February 24: **Lesson One** - Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany Series C

The Blessing of Being Set Free!

Scripture Base: Gen. 45:3-15; 1 Cor. 15:21-26, 30-42; and Luke 6:27-38.

Bible Story: Be Reconciled and Free! - Matthew 5:21-26; Galatians 5:1.

Bible Verse: [Joseph said to his brothers,] "And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life." Genesis 45:5.

Objective: Share the blessing of forgiveness that reconciles and frees people from the sinful anger that hurts the faith and lives of so many today.

March 3: **Lesson Two** - The Transfiguration of Our Lord - Series C

The Blessing of Our Heavenly Calling

Scripture Base: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Hebrews 3:1-6; and Luke 9:28-36

Bible Story: The Transfiguration - Luke 9:28-36

Bible Verse: Therefore, holy brothers [and sisters], you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession. Hebrews 3:1

Objective: Share the blessing of being called and miraculously transformed for the ministry of helping others hold God and all of His blessings sacred.

March 10: **Lesson Three** - First Sunday in Lent- Series C

Flee Temptation Not to Hold God Sacred

Scripture Base: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13; and Luke 4:1-13

Bible Story: Jesus Filled with the Spirit and Spirit-Led - Luke 4:1-13

Bible Verse: For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. Romans 10:10

Objective: Share the blessing of miraculous power from God to flee the temptation not to hold God and all of His blessings sacred.

March 17: **Lesson Four** - Second Sunday in Lent- Series C

The Blessing of Choosing to Live for Christ

Scripture Base: Jeremiah 26:8-15; Philippians 3:17-4:1; and Luke 13:31-35

Bible Story: Jesus' Sorrow Over Jerusalem Luke 13:31-35

Bible Verse: Therefore, my brothers [and sisters], whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved. Philippians 4:1

Objective: Share the blessing of our *choosing* to live for Christ that comes to us because of God's deep love and His deep sorrow.

March 24: **Lesson Five** - Third Sunday in Lent - Series C

Blessed to See Sin Coming and Bear Fruit

Scripture Base: Ezekiel 33:7-20; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; and Luke 13:1-9

Bible Story: The Fruitless Fig Tree - Luke 13:6-9

Bible Verse: Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. 1 Corinthians 10:12

Objective: Share the blessing of seeing sin coming and the warning of bearing fruit lest we fall.

March. 31: **Lesson Six** Fourth Sunday in Lent - Series C

The Unrealized Depths of God's Love

Scripture Base: Isaiah 12:1-6; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; and Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Bible Story: The Prodigal Son - Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Bible Verse: That is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:19

Objective: Share the blessings that come from the unrealized depths of God's love to help generations hold God and all of His blessings sacred.

April 7: **Lesson Seven** Fifth Sunday in Lent - Series C

The MANY Blessing of Salvation

Scripture Base: Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:(4b-7)8-14; and Luke 20:9-20

Bible Story: The Parable of the Master's Son - Luke 20:9-19

Bible Verse: Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19

Objective: Help generations discover the MANY blessings of Salvation for them to share so the whole world can be blessed.

April 14: **Lesson Eight** - Palm or Passion Sunday - Series C

Blessed to be Drawn to Christ

Scripture Base: Deuteronomy 32:36-39; Philippians 2:5-11; and John 12:20-43

Bible Story: Christ's Hour Has Come! - John 12:20-36

Bible Verse: And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself. John 12:32

Objective: Share the blessings of being drawn to Christ, especially the blessing of understanding Him when He speaks to us.

April 21: **Lesson Nine** The Resurrection of our Lord -Easter- Series C

The Blessing of Knowing Christ Lives!

Scripture Base: Job 19:23-27; 1 Corinthians 15:51-57; and John 20:1-18

Bible Story: Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene - John 20:10-18

Bible Verse: For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. Job 19:25

Objective: Uncover the most important blessing from which every other blessing comes to us from God, faith that is able to believe and receive and share God and all of His blessings.

April. 28: Lesson Ten - Second Sunday of Easter- Series C

The Blessing of Obeying God Rather than Man

Scripture Base: Acts 5:12-20 (21-32); Revelation 1:4-18; and John 20:19-31

Bible Story: The Apostles are Persecuted - Acts 5:17-32

Bible Verse: But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than men. Acts 5:29

Objective: Share the blessings of obeying God rather than man for us and for the whole world.

May 5: Lesson Eleven - Third Sunday of Easter- Series C

All We Miss When We Miss Worship

Scripture Base: Acts 9:1-22; Revelation 5:(1-7) 8-14; and John 21:1-14 (15-19)

Bible Story: The Lion Who Is The Lamb - Revelation 5:1-14

Bible Verse: [Myriads of myriads and thousands of thousand of angels were] saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!” Revelation 5:12

Objective: Share the blessings of worship God offers through Christ the Lion and the Lamb that people who do not understand can miss.

May 12: Lesson Twelve Fourth Sunday of Easter- Series C

The Great Blessing of Giving All

Scripture Base: Acts 20:17-35; Revelation 7:9-17; and John 10:22-30

Bible Story: The Apostle Paul Gives All- Acts 20:17-35

Bible Verse: In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said, “It is more blessed to give than to receive.” Acts 20:35

Objective: Share the great blessing of a heart that is able and willing to give all like Paul.

May 19: Lesson Thirteen - Fifth Sunday of Easter- Series C

The Art of Holy Conversations

Scripture Base: Acts 11:1-18; Revelation 21:1-7; and John 13:31-35

Bible Story: Peter’s Vision - Acts 11:1-18

Bible Verse: And He who was seated on the throne said, “Behold, I am making all things new.” Also He said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Revelation 21:5

Objective: Share the need to have holy conversations that share Christ and the need to break down barriers that keep us from sharing Christ.

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