

*Sunday School Lesson, May 31, 2026*  
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**Lesson—Provoke One Another!<sup>1</sup>**

**Text: Matthew 28:18-20; Hebrews 10:22-25**

**I. Aim for Change/Learning Objectives**

By the end of this lesson, we will...

1. Examine God’s purpose and design for meaningful worship.
2. Experience fellowship and worship in God’s presence.
3. Exercise leadership and creativity in worship.

**Why This Lesson Matters:** People often struggle to succeed without the support of others. To whom do we turn for support? The texts from Matthew and Hebrews portray a community united in evangelism, worship, and fellowship.

**Key Verse:** “Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised). (Hebrews 10:23, KJV).

**II. Topical Outline of the Lesson**

1. Introduction
2. Pushed to new service (Matthew 28:18-20)
3. Holding on to a faithful God (Hebrews 10:22-23)
4. Why we come to church (vv. 24-25)

**III. Prominent Character(s) in the Lesson**

**Jesus:** The Messiah, Son of Man, and Immanuel—God with us. He is the unique Son of God, Savior, and Lord.

**The Eleven Disciples of Christ:** the remaining apostles (excluding Judas), whom Jesus commissions to make disciples of all nations.

**IV. Key Terms in the Lesson (KJV)**

*Authority*  
*Hope*

*Baptizing*  
*Observe*

*Conscience*  
*True*

*Faithful*

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V. ***Historical/Biblical Background and Lesson Context***

The text from Matthew is part of Jesus' closing instructions to his disciples. He wanted them to understand not only the full scope of His authority but also their Commission to carry the gospel to every part of his dominion. But filling this command would mean leaving familiar ground.

The text from Hebrews offers an inward call to trust God while on the journey. The Hebrews epistle targets a later group of believers separate from the original disciples, because they also needed the Spirit's urging to remain faithful. The book reminds Christians that Jesus is the full revelation of God, a truth that strengthens faith and unites the church.

**Food for thought/question for consideration: (What have we learned, Charlie Brown?)**

As believers, we need the larger community, the church, to be a part of our spiritual journey. Whereas our commitment to Jesus may be personal, we cannot fully realize God's design for our lives without those around us cheering us along the way. Christianity is a communal religion. God calls us out of the darkness into a community of light.

**Closing Hymn:** *Blessed be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

**Sunday School Slogan:** *To Sunday School to Sunday School, we all should go; we have classes for all ages, help us to grow.*