

## **JUST WOMEN BIBLE STUDY 2019**

### **Lesson 1**

**Title: “I am about to do a new thing” Witness to God’s mission**

**Scripture: Isaiah 43:1-21**

**by Jean Halligan Vandergrift**

**Summary:** God’s promises in Isaiah to do “a new thing” are promises for the church today as it seeks to follow the living, loving, leading God into God’s mission.

### **Lesson 2**

**Title:**

**“You will be my witnesses” The church’s mission**

**Scripture: Acts 1:1-11**

**by Jean Halligan Vandergrift**

**Summary:** This study in Acts demonstrates that God is still leading the church into mission, inviting us to bear witness to God’s leadership, and empowering us through the Holy Spirit.

### **Lesson 3**

**Title:**

**“Abide in me as I abide in you” Bearing fruit**

**Scripture: John 15:1-17**

**by Delores Carpenter**

**Summary:** Jesus calls us to “abide in me,” and when we do, the results are clear: fruitful service and loving character.

### **Lesson 4**

**Title: “Go therefore and make disciples” Lessons on discipleship**

**Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20, 1 Thessalonians 5:12-23**

**by Delores Carpenter**

**Summary:** The Bible is full of lessons on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. This study explores two of those – the instructions given by Jesus in the Great Commission and a practical list of ways to live faithfully from Paul’s first letter to the Thessalonians.

### **Lesson 5**

**Title: “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy times seven” The rule of love**

**Scripture: Matthew 18:15-22**

**by Sharon E. Watkins**

**Summary:** The rule of love, difficult as it is, must govern the life of the church, guiding our efforts to reconcile with and forgive one another.

## **Lesson 6**

**Title: “Be of the same mind in the Lord” The mind of Christ**

**Scripture: Philippians 2:1-11, 4:2-9**

**by Sharon E. Watkins**

**Summary:** Paul urges the Philippian church to have the mind of Christ, a model he encourages early church workers Euodia and Syntyche – and us– to follow, as well.

## **Lesson 7**

**Title: “Their eyes were opened and they recognized him” Radical hospitality**

**Scripture: Luke 24:13-35**

**by Ofelia Ortega**

**Summary:** In the Emmaus story, two disciples respond to a stranger with open hearts, encounter the living Christ, and are empowered to continue God’s mission.

## **Lesson 8**

**Title: “Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?” God’s wisdom**

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:18-31**

**by Ofelia Ortega**

**Summary:** God’s wisdom, demonstrated through the cross, calls each of us into service, despite our weaknesses and limitations. Moreover God’s mission calls us to serve those on the margins, where worth is measured by God’s standards rather than human standards.