

Witness: Learning to Share Your Christian Faith

Lesson Plan

Trail Three, Session 13 = Spirit of Ministry and Witness

**(Plan for a short refreshment break at some point)
(Half Way / Ice Cream tonight)**

References:

Trail Guide for Leaders	Page 210
Trail Guide for Hikers	Page 99

1. Prayer:

- a. Open with reading the prayer on page 99.

2. Trail Talk:

- a. We are at the half-way point in Witness. How has your hike been--steep and rocky or smooth and flat? Any of you want to turn back at times?

3. A Word on Spiritual Gifts:

- a. Q1 (page 100) Make a list of the spiritual gifts listed in Romans 12, 1 Cor 12 and Ephesians 4. Discuss each one.

- b. Based on this week's prayer and reflection, what spiritual gifts do you think that the Holy Spirit has given you.

4. The Spirit and Your Ministry:

- a. **S H A P E** / Spiritual Gifts, Heart, Abilities, Personality, Experience. What has God called and gifted you for through **S H A P E**?

- b. What part of "building up the body of Christ" might belong to you?

5. The Spirit and Your Witness:

- a. In Matthew's Gospel (5:13-14) we are referred to as salt and light for all the world. What does that mean? What does salt do? What does light do?

6. Moving On:

- a. Review what we have covered this week.
- b. Assignments for Next Week

(1). Reading Assignment:

(a) As you read the chapter for next week (pages 82-86 underline or highlight special thoughts and answer the questions in the Q boxes.

(b) Complete the daily Bible readings and place your reflections, questions and insights.

c. Action Assignment:

(1) Complete the Action Assignment on page 106.

8. Closing Prayer “Stay salty and let your light shine”

9. Closing Word: “See you on the path!”