

Sunday School Grade 3 A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The AGAPE curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

Preparation for John The Baptist Baptizes Jesus Christ

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- John the Baptist baptized many people in the River Jordan.
- John the Baptist told the people, he baptizes with water for repentance.
- He told the people that Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.
- Jesus came to Galilee to be baptized by John the Baptist.
- John did not want to baptize Jesus. John said to Jesus “I need to be baptized by You”.
- Jesus was baptized just like us. Jesus wanted us to learn from Him.

Word Bank

- River Jordan



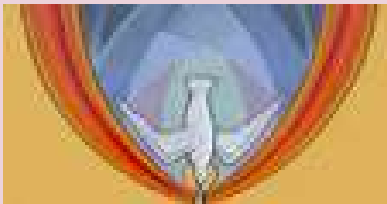
- John the Baptist



- Baptism



- Holy Spirit



- Repentance



- Galilee



Objective: To teach the children that Jesus Christ was baptized like us.

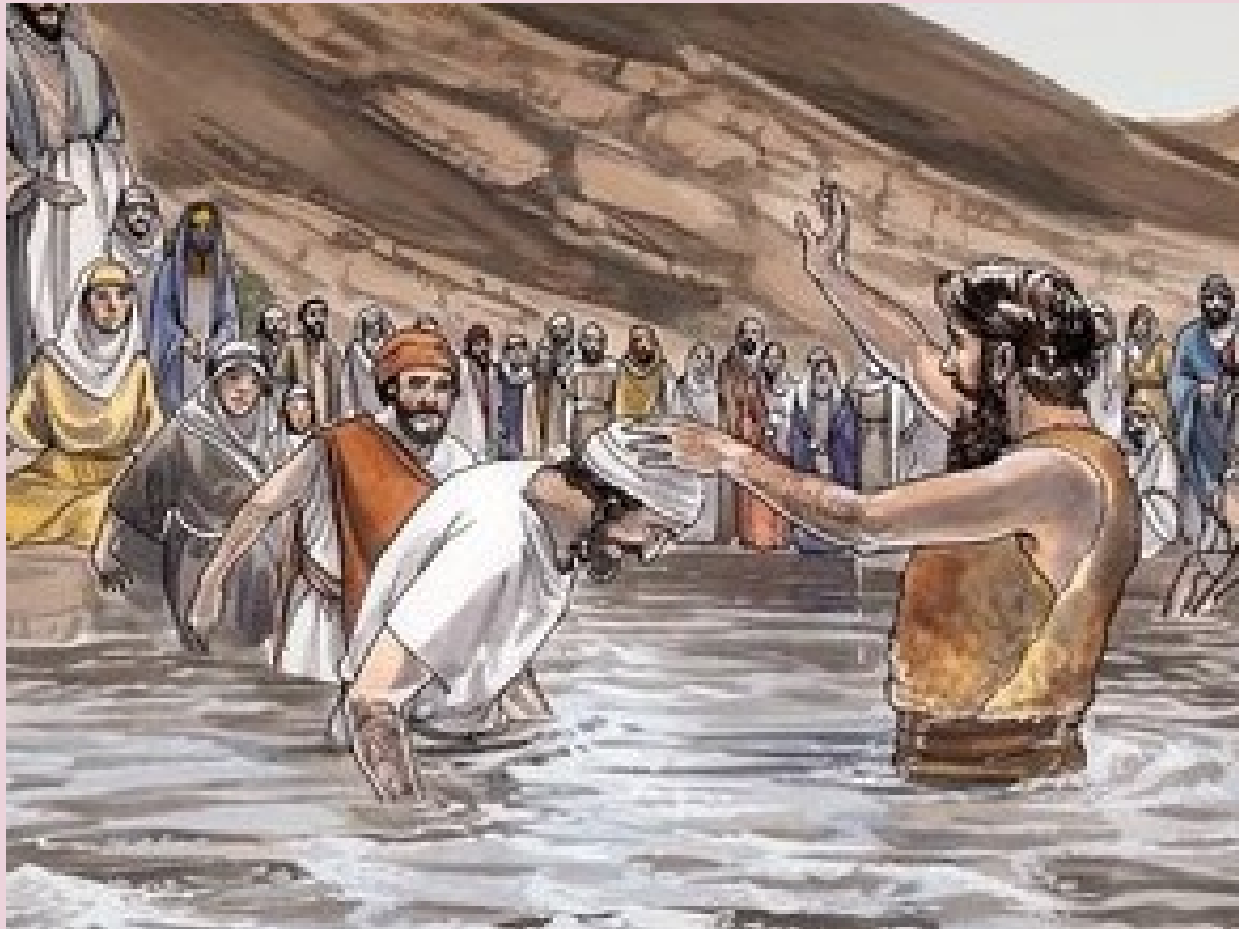


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Memory Verse: *“This is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased”.* (Luke 3:22)

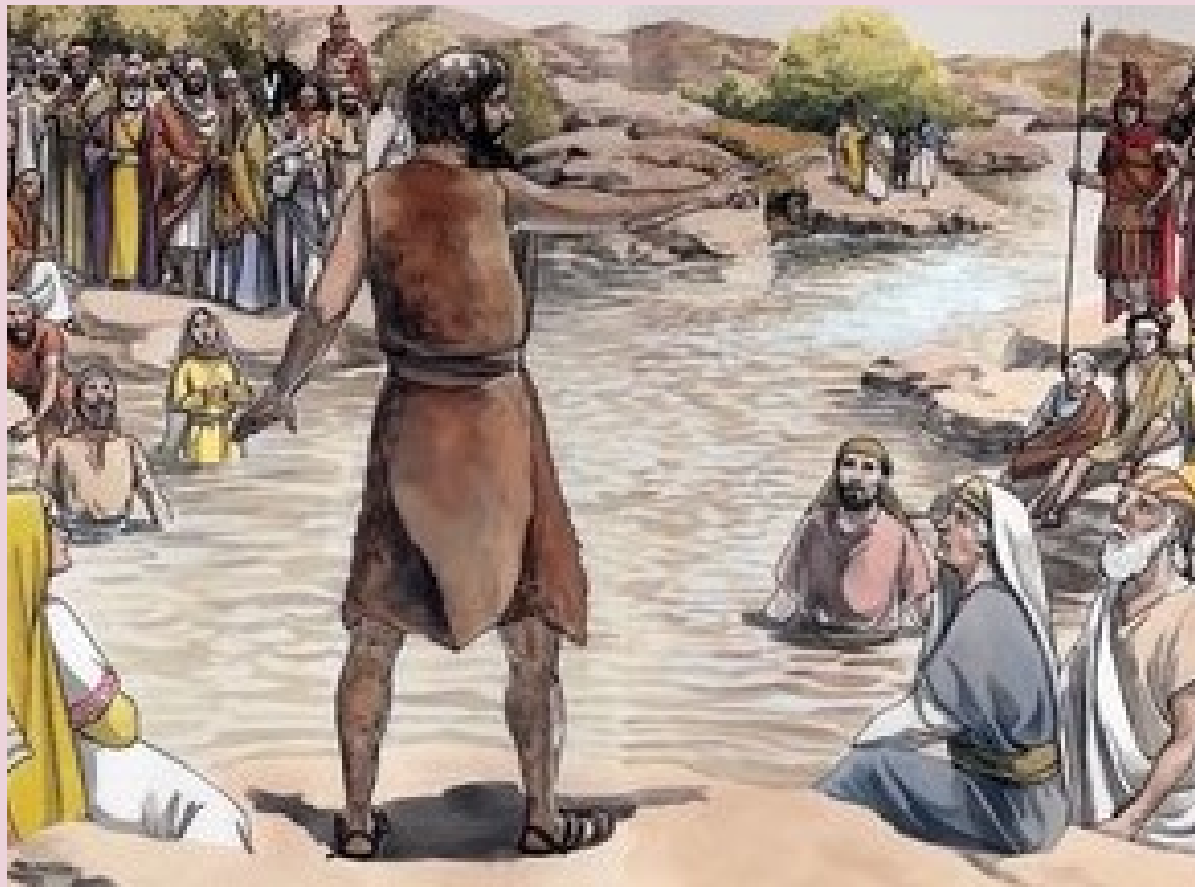


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- **Conclusion**

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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

Resources

- Application
 - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non- A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
 - Coloring/Painting
 - Cut and Paste
 - Music/Games
- References
 - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade03.pdf>