

Sunday School Grade 4 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 Nativity Feast: The Angels and the Shepherds

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**

- Joseph and Mary came from Nazareth to Bethlehem.
- Joseph and Mary traveled all day and night. They were very tired.
- In Bethlehem the innkeeper told Joseph and Mary there is no room at the Inn.
- The innkeeper offered them to sleep in the stable with the animals. That night Jesus was born.
- An angel of the Lord told shepherds in the field about the birth of Jesus. Other angels were glorifying God.
- The shepherds went quickly to the hills of Bethlehem to see Jesus.

Word Bank

- Bethlehem



- Travel



- Innkeeper



- Stable



- Angels



- Hills of Bethlehem



Objective: The Joy of Christmas



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Memory Verse: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men”. (Luke 2:14)



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Nativity Feast: The Angels and the Shepherds

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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/Grade04.pdf>