

Sunday School Grade 5 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 The Epiphany: Nicodemus and Baptism

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- Nicodemus came to Jesus Christ at night. He asked Jesus how can I be saved? Jesus said by baptism.
- The baptized baby is submerged in the Blessed water three times. Same as Jesus was buried three days.
- During baptism the baby is blessed 36 times with Myron for the coming of the Holy Spirit.
- The baby can receive the Holy communion after baptism.
- We renew our baptism every time we confess our sins, repent and receive the Holy Communion.
- We must be at peace with each other so we can have communion.

Word Bank

- Nicodemus



- Baptism



- Myron



- Communion



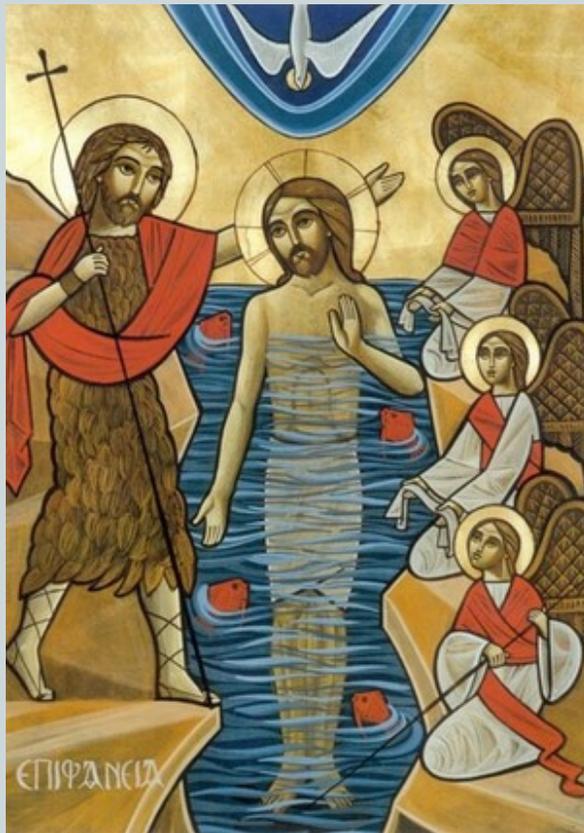
- Confess



- Peace



Objective: To understand the work of baptism that we attained when we were children.

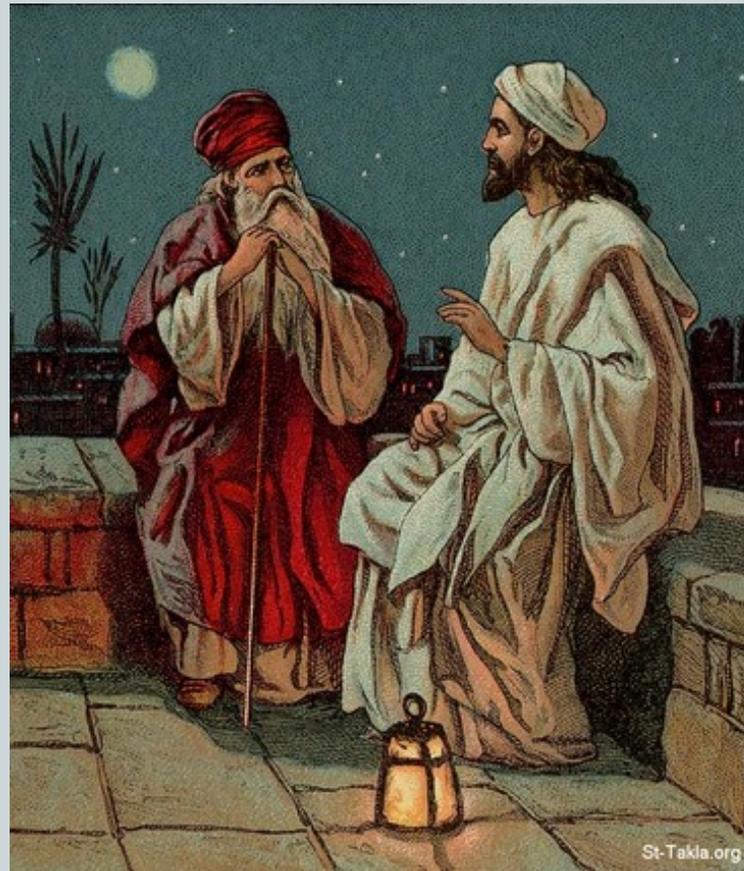


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Memory Verse: *“Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God” (John 3:5)*



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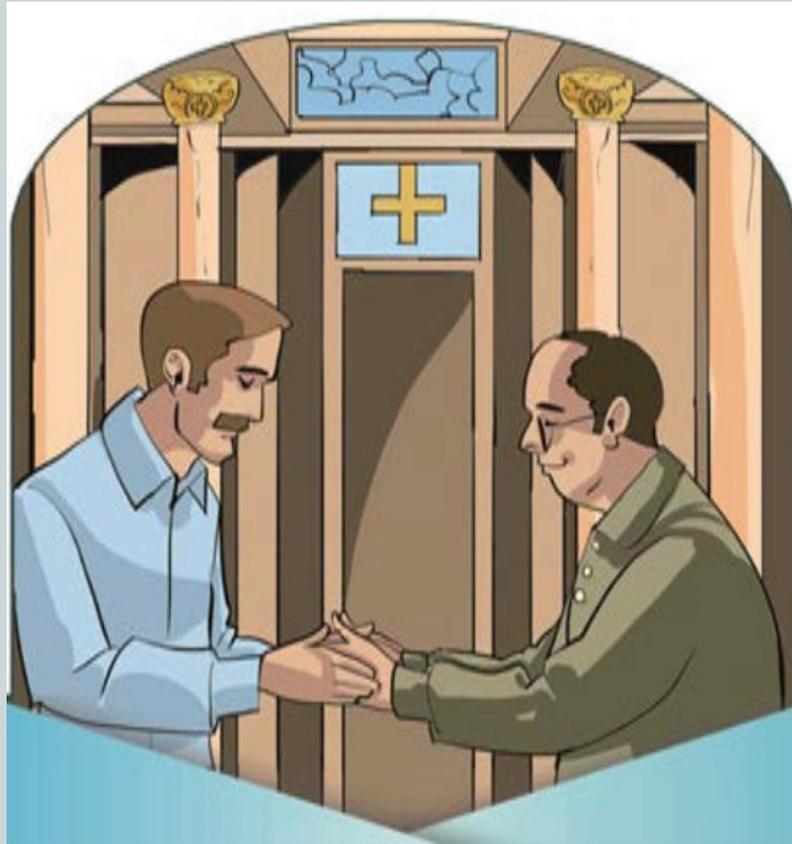
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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade05.pdf>