

# Sunday School Grade 7

## 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 Prophet Jonah and Salvation

## Lessons for the Week Before Jonah's Fast

- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**

- God sent help to his people so they can stop worshipping idols.
- God saved Jonah, even though he tried to hide from him.
- God showed him mercy and his power so he can learn obedience.
- The sailors on the ship prayed for forgiveness and so they were saved.
- The Lord was patient with the people of Nineveh and accepted their repentance.
- Jonah is a symbol of Christ because he stayed in the belly of the fish for 3 days. Christ was in the tomb for 3 days.

# Word Bank

- Idols



- Sailors



- Jonah



- Nineveh



- Obedience



- Christ



**Objective: God makes use of everything and all things for the salvation of man.**



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**Memory Verse: “I long for Your salvation,  
O Lord and Your law is my delight” (Psalm  
119:174)**





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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/Grade07.pdf>