#### 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 Jesus Christ Appears To His Disciples

#### **Lessons for the Pentecost**

- Lesson Outline: Week 2
  - After 3 days in a tomb, Jesus was raised.
  - The disciples were in St. Mark's house because they were scared of the Jews.
  - On Sunday evening, Jesus came and stood in the middle of the room.
  - He said "Peace be with you" and showed him his hands and sides. He breathed on them.
  - Thomas was not there and did not believe that Jesus had come.
  - After eight days, Jesus came again and let Thomas touch him. Thomas believed.

#### **Word Bank**

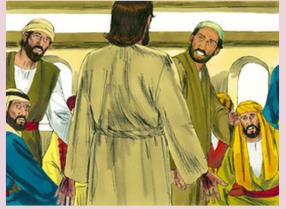
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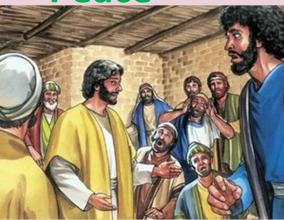
Scared



Room



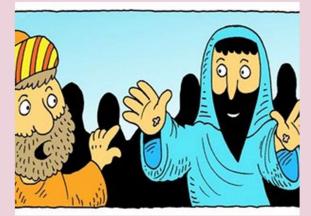
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Thomas



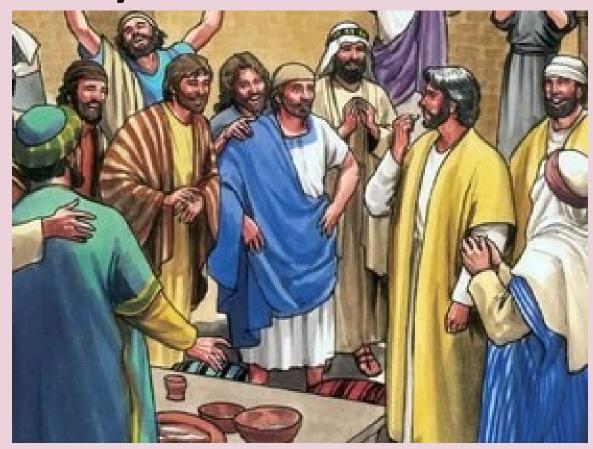
Believed



## Objective: Lord Jesus Christ overcomes death.



## Memory Verse: "The disciples were glad when they saw the Lord" (John 20:20).



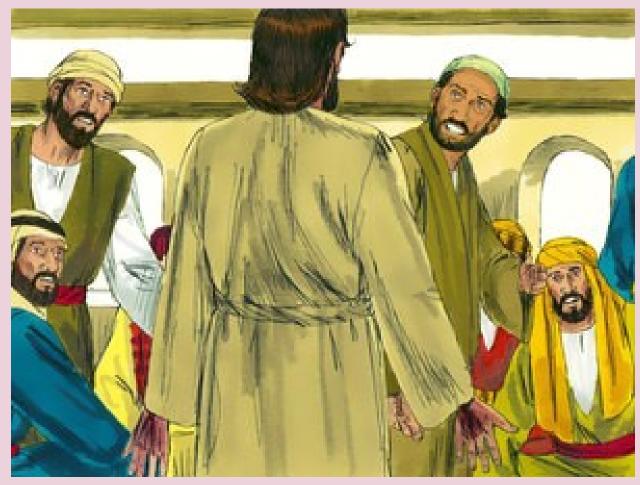
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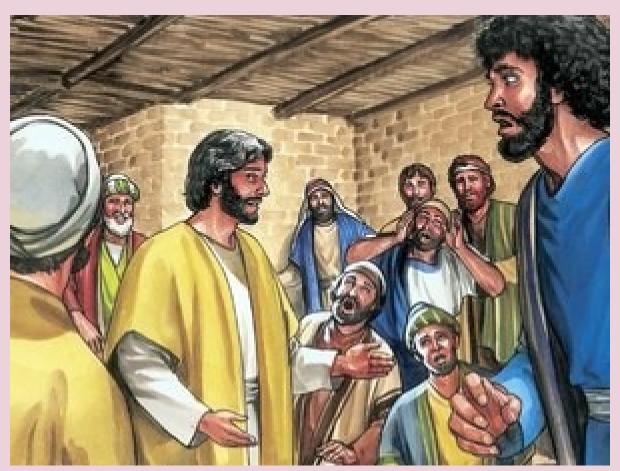
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#### Conclusion

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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/Grade03.pdf