### 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 Almsgiving - Anba Abraam

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

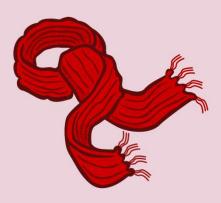
- Lesson Outline: Week 3
  - Anba Abraam was the Bishop of Fayoum. He followed the Lord's commandments.
  - A poor woman needed money and he didn't have any so he gave her his shawl.
  - The woman took the shawl and sold it to another man at the market.
  - The man took the shawl to Anba Abraam and gave it back.
  - He told Anba Abraam to wear it but Anba Abraam said that the shawl was with Jesus.
  - The man kissed the cross and the hands of the Bishop and said that "For God loves a cheerful giver".

#### **Word Bank**

Anba Abraam



Gave



Shawl



Jesus



Sold



Kissed



### Objective: How to show our love for others.



Memory Verse: "He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord" (Proverbs 19:17).



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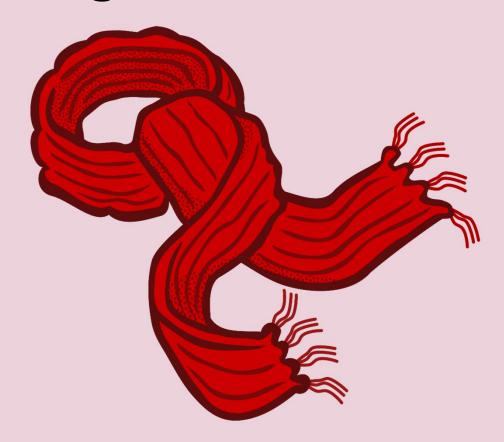
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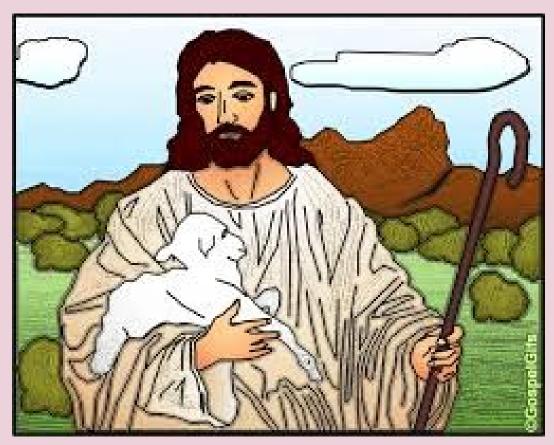
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#### Almsgiving- Anba Lessons for the Pentecost

#### 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