#### Sunday School Grade 8 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 St. John the Beloved Lessons for Pentecost

#### • Lesson Outline: Week 4

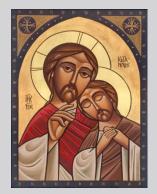
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- He was witness to the raising of Jairus' daughter.
- St. John, St. Peter and St. James were present during Christ's transfiguration.
- St. John was intimate with our Lord. He felt comfortable resting his head on His bosom.
- St. John was the first one to go to the empty tomb with St. Peter.
- St. John authored the fourth of the Gospels, three Epistles, and his Divine Revelation. He died at 100 years old.

## Word Bank

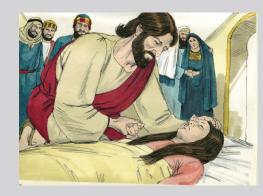
• St. John



Bosom



• Raising



Revelation



Transfiguration



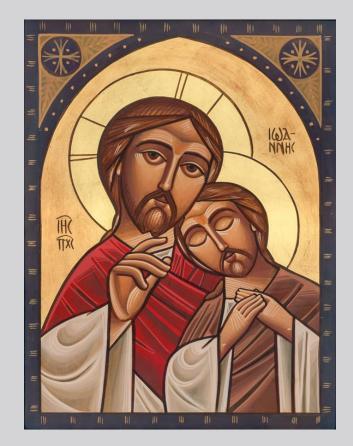
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# **Objective: To contemplate the life and the struggle of St. John.**



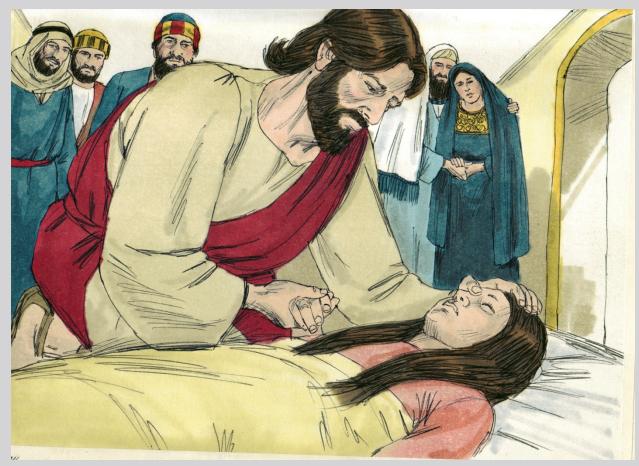
## Memory Verse: "My little children let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth" (1 John 3:18)



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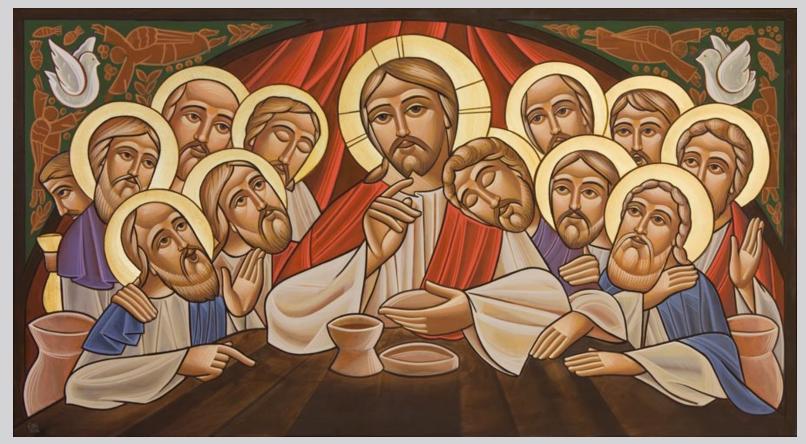
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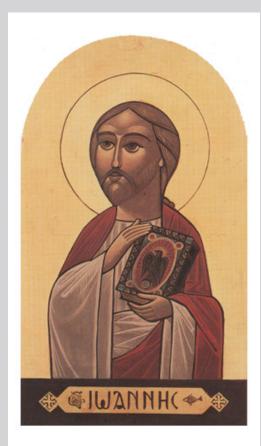


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## St.JohntheLessons for Pentecost

#### 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/Grade08.pdf