

Sunday School Grade 9

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. 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 How to Deal With My Brothers and Sisters?

Lessons for Pentecost

- **Lesson Outline: Week 7**

- Love between Brother and sister is caring for each other. Like Mary and Martha wanting Jesus to heal Lazarus.
- They support each other with school work, duties and other important events. Like Aaron supported Moses.
- Love takes a lot of effort. Like Mariam who followed Moses when his mother put him in a basket in the Nile.
- Love is forgiving. Like Joseph forgave his brothers.
- The most important is to bring your brother or sister to know God. Like Andrew brought his brother Simon Peter to Jesus.
- We need to communicate effectively and politely with our brothers and sisters.

Word Bank

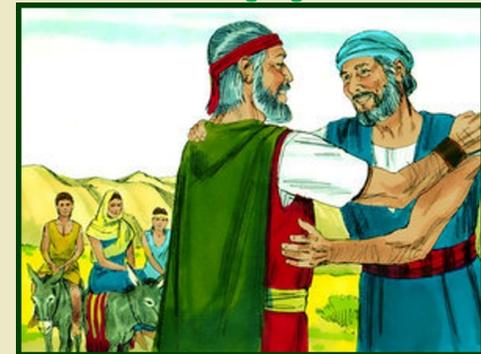
- **Brotherly Love**



- **Care**



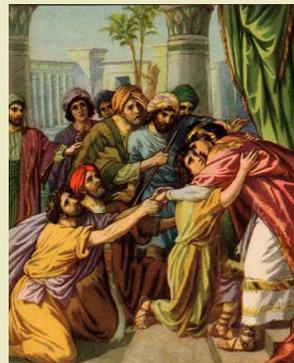
- **Support**



- **Effort**



- **Forgive**



- **Communicate**



Objective: Develop a loving and caring attitude between the students and his brothers and sisters.



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Memory Verse: “We know that we have passed from death to life because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death” (1 John 3:14)



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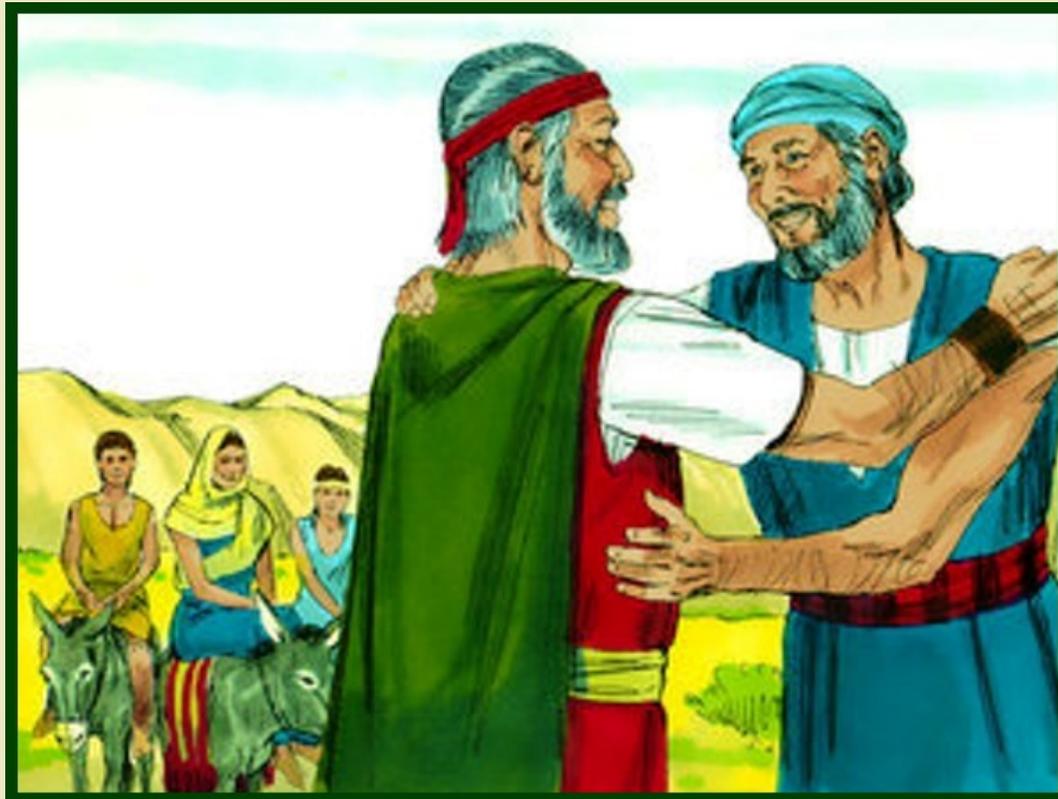
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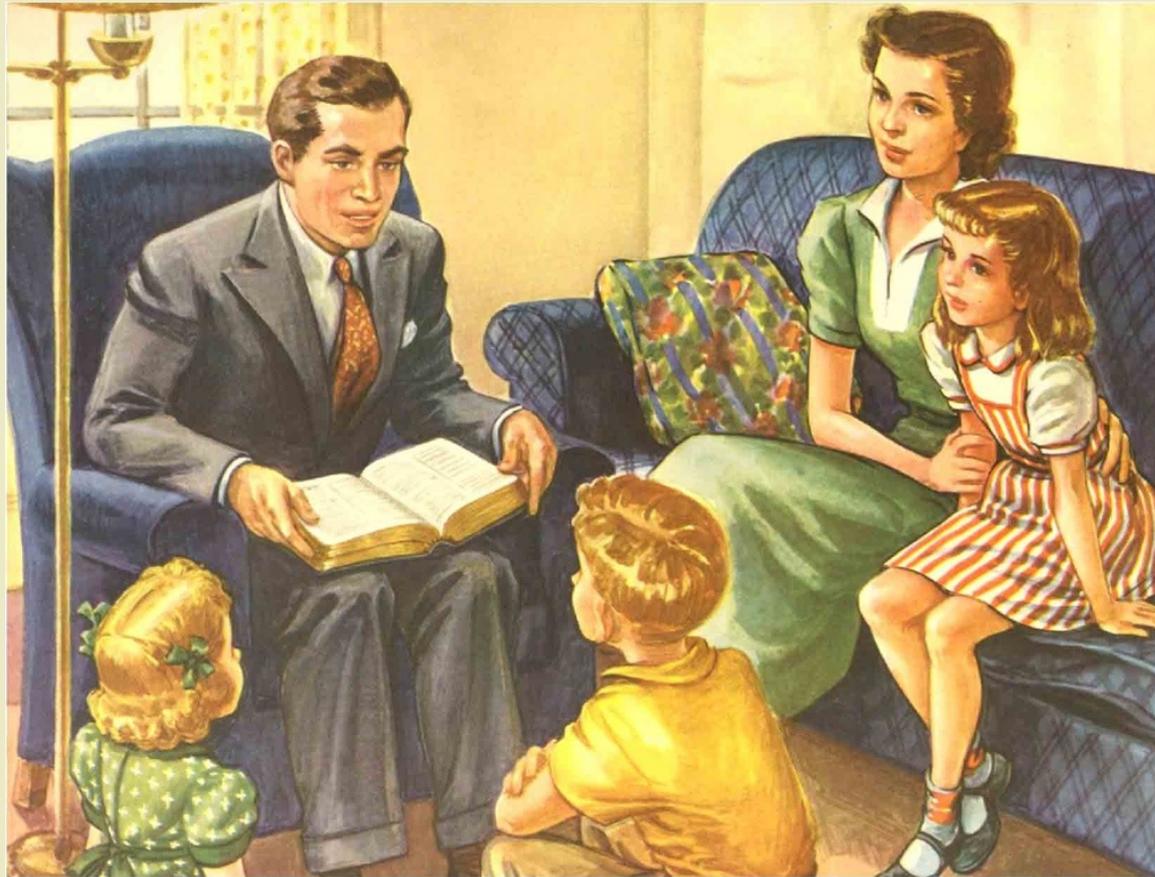
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- **Conclusion**
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

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/Grade09.pdf>