

# Sunday School Grade 5 A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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## **A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum**

- 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 Demetrius, the Vinedresser

## Lessons for the Pentecost

- **Lesson Outline: Week 5**
  - Anba Yulianus chose Anba Demetrius as Pope. He took the first fruit of the season as a gift to Anba Yulianus.
  - St. Demetrius was married and some people didn't think he deserved to be Pope.
  - Pope Demetrius called his wife and he put burning charcoal on her and him. Their clothes didn't burn because they lived as brother and sister.
  - Anba Demetrius summoned a council and they calculated Easter so that it would follow the Jewish Passover.
  - Anba Demetrius elected Origen as the Dean of the church of Alexandria and he sent him on a mission to Achaia.
  - He was ordained a bishop without Anba Demetrius's permission and he was excommunicated for his sin.

# Word Bank

- Anba Demetrius



- Deserved



- Charcoal



- Easter



- Mission



- Excommunicated



**Objective: Learn from the purity and dedication of Pope Demetrius.**

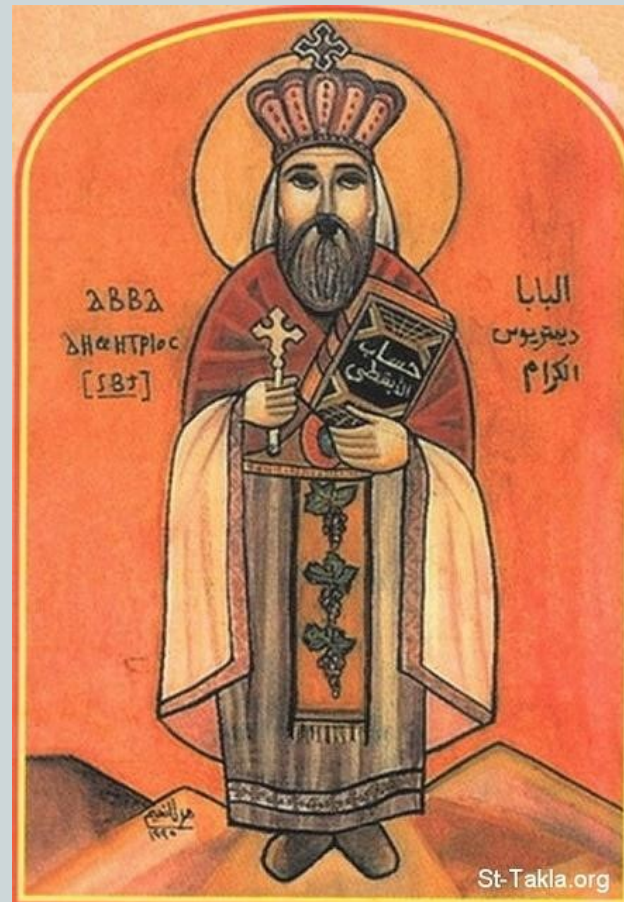


**Memory Verse: “He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly” (Luke 1:52).**



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# Demetrius, the Vinedresser

## 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/Grade05.pdf>