

Sunday School Grade 1

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 Esther Becomes A Queen (I)

Lessons for the Month of July

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- King Ahasueres wanted the queen Vashti to come to his party.
- Queen Vashti refused. The king got angry.
- He said she can't be queen anymore.
- He sent a message to all the girls. He will choose one of them as queen.
- Esther was one of the girls. She prepared herself for 12 months.
- The king saw her. He loved her. He made her queen.

Word Bank

- Esther



- King Ahasueres



- Party



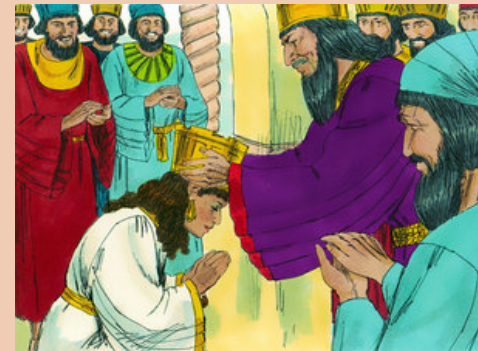
- Angry



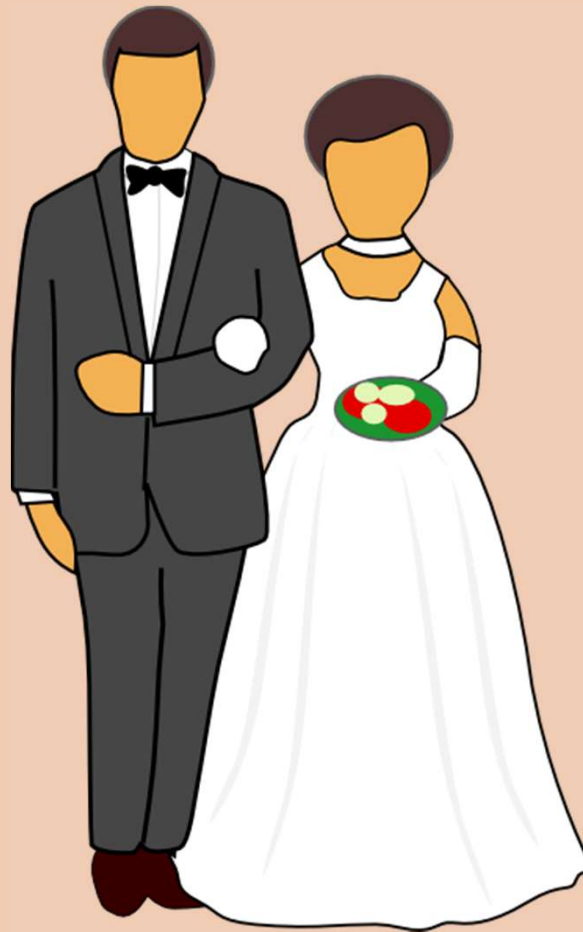
- Prepare



- Queen



**Objective: Wives should obey
their husbands**



Memory Verse: “*Esther obtained favor in the sight of all who saw her*” (Esther 2:15)



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Esther Becomes A Queen (I)

Lessons for the Month of February

- **Conclusion**

- King Ahasueres wanted the queen Vashti to come to his party.
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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/Grade01.pdf>