

# Sunday School Grade Pre-School

## 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 Who Are the Saints?

## Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**
  - Saints love Jesus and are willing to give up everything for Him.
  - St. George loved Jesus and did not give up being a Christian.
  - When he went to Paradise, God gave him seven crowns.
  - St. George and all the saints are very close to Jesus.
  - They are happy in Paradise and like to pray for us.
  - When we pray when we can ask the saints to help us and be our friends.

# Word Bank

- Give up



- Close



- St. George



- Paradise



- Crowns



- Saints



**Objective: Learn that Saints are close to Jesus in heaven and they pray for us.**



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**Memory Verse: *“Let the saints be joyful”***  
***Psalms 149:5***



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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/Grade-PreK.pdf>