### 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.

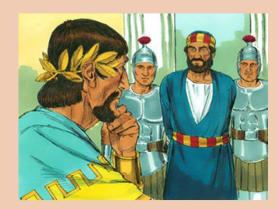
#### Preparation for The Angel Sets St. Peter Free

#### Lessons for the month of September

- Lesson Outline: Week 1
  - St. Peter was one of our Lord's disciples. The King put him in prison.
  - He tied his hands and put some soldiers to guard him.
  - St. Peter was not afraid when he went to prison. The church prayed for him.
  - The Lord sent an angel who struck Peter on the side and woke him up.
  - The chains fell off his hands and he put on his sandals.
  - He followed the angel out of prison and went to St. Mark's house.

#### **Word Bank**

#### • Prison



Woke



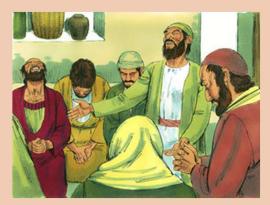
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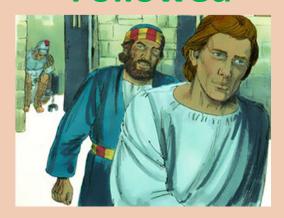
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Church



Followed



# Objective: God loves us and answers our prayers.



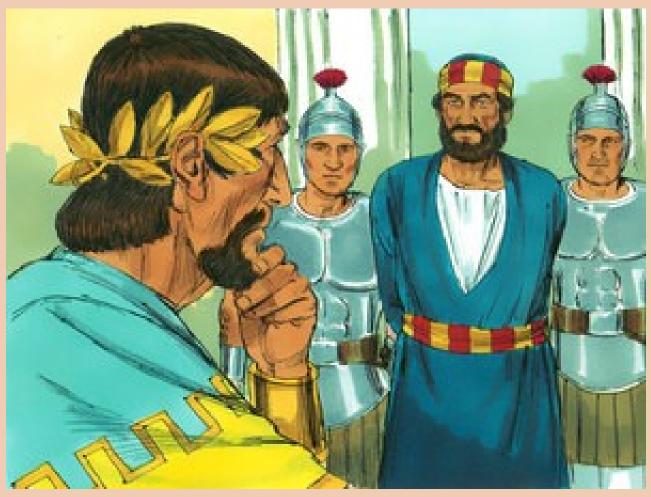
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## Memory Verse: "My angel will go before you" (Exodus 23:23)



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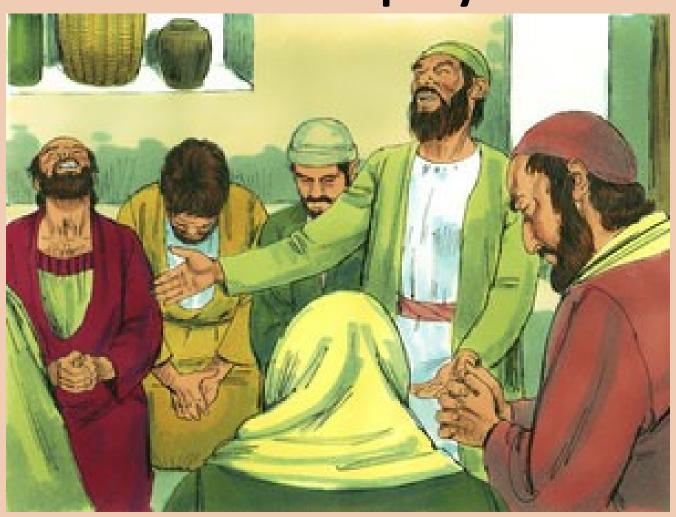
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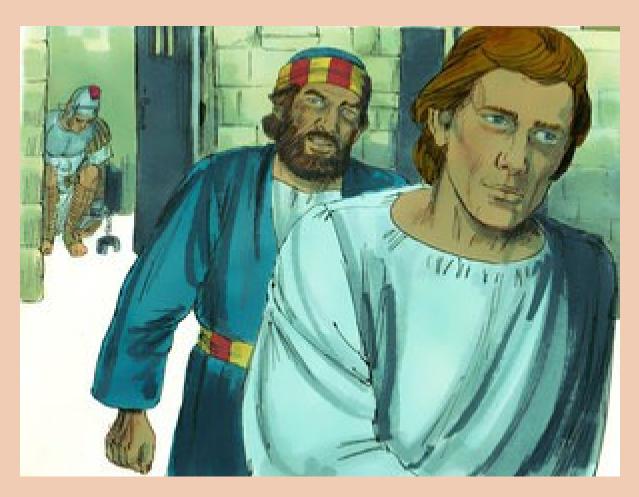
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### The Angel Sets St. Peter Free Lessons for the Month of September

#### 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/Grade01.pdf