

Sunday School Grade 4 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 Miraculous Deeds of St. Mina and his Martyrdom

Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**
 - St. Mina is a great and famous martyr. He was born in a village near Manouf Egypt.
 - He was a soldier in the army of Diocletian. Diocletian ordered persecution of all Christians.
 - St. Mina confessed his Christian faith. He refused to worship idols.
 - When he was praying he saw the verse “Be Faithful until death.”
 - Diocletian tried to get St. Mina to worship idols. St. Mina chose death.
 - St. Mina’s pure body made many miracles. A sick sheep was healed after rolling in the dirt near his burial.

Word Bank

- St. Mina



- Soldier



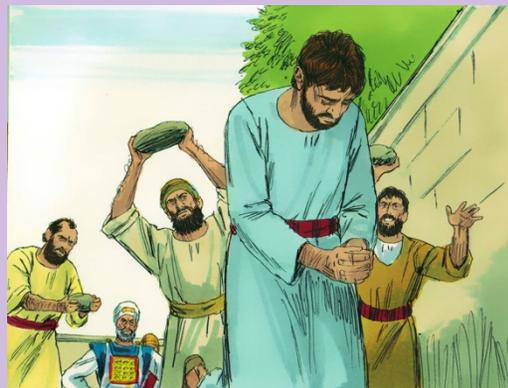
- Idol



- Diocletian



- Faith



- Sheep



Objective: The children, after studying the lesson about St. Mina, should be filled with love for Christ so they reveal their faith without fear when they are asked about what their religion is.



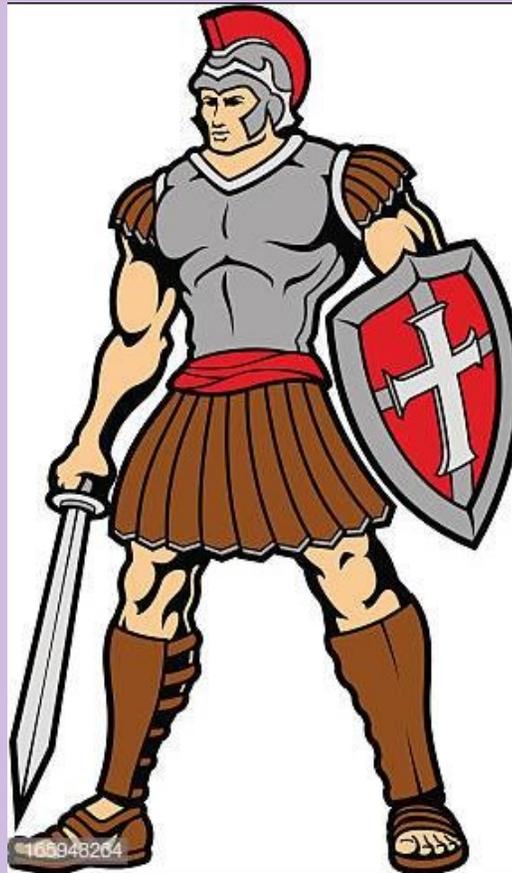
Memory Verse: “Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life” (Revelation 2:10)



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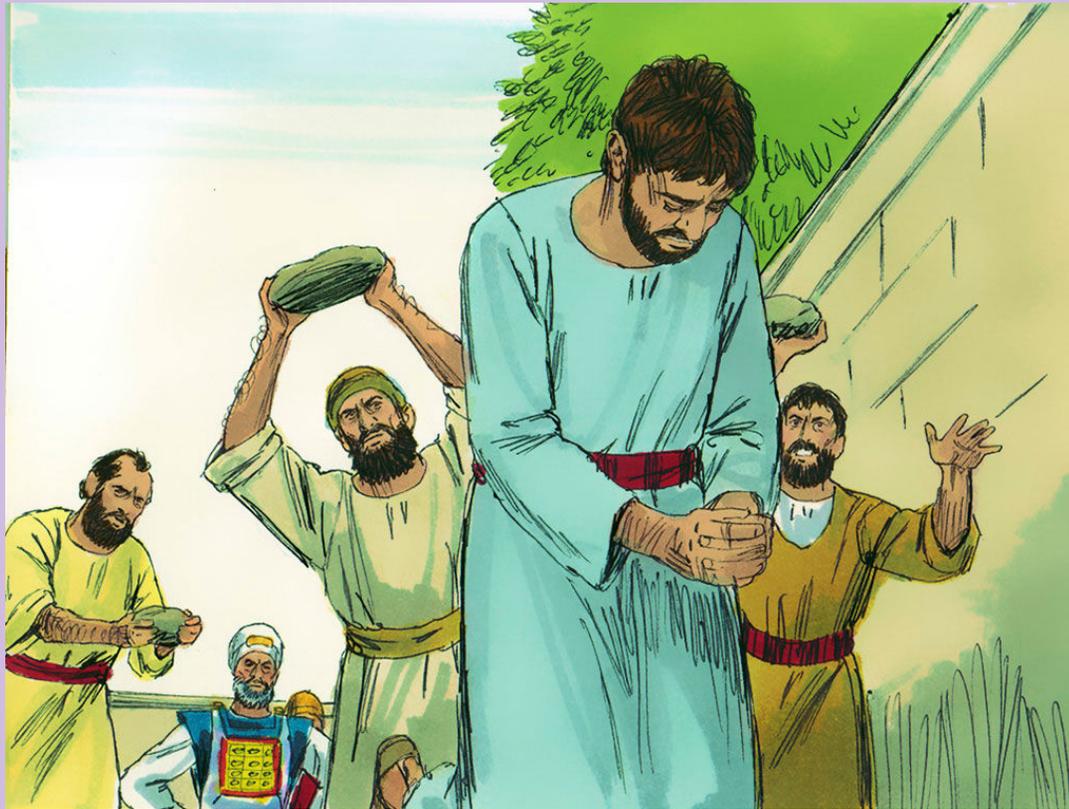


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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade04.pdf>