### Sunday School Grade 6 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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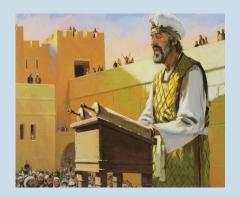
- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

### Preparation for Ezra The Priest Lessons for the Month of November

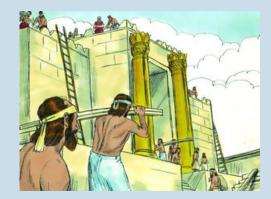
- Lesson Outline: Week 1
  - Ezra could not practice his lawful job as a priest because of the Exile.
  - He wrote to us about Cyrus, the king of Persia and the rebuild of the Temple of God in Jerusalem.
  - About 50,000 men carried their gifts and went back to Jerusalem after seventy years of Exile.
  - They were all working joyfully singing hymns of praise.
  - The Samaritans kept on annoying them till they stopped working.
  - It took them 16 years to finish building the Temple.

### **Word Bank**

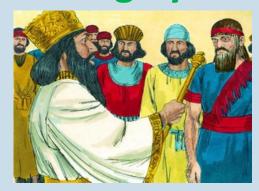
#### Priest Ezra



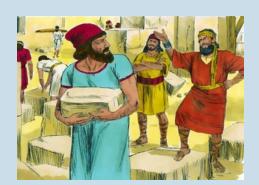
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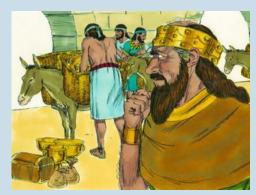
King Cyrus



Annoying



Gifts



Temple



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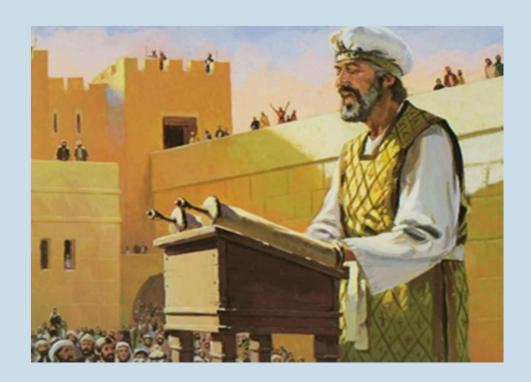
### Objective: Caring for the House of God.



Memory Verse: "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endures forever" (Psalm 136:1)



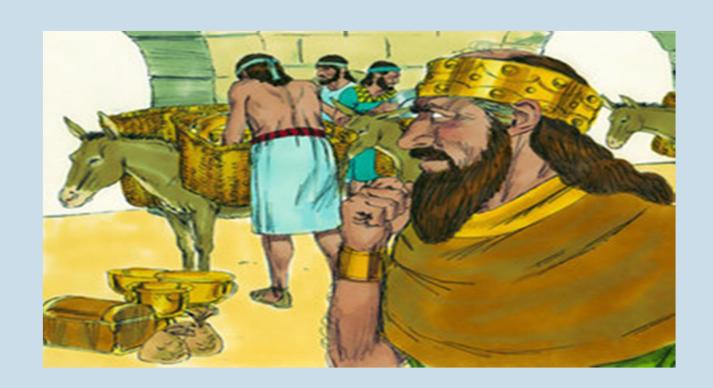
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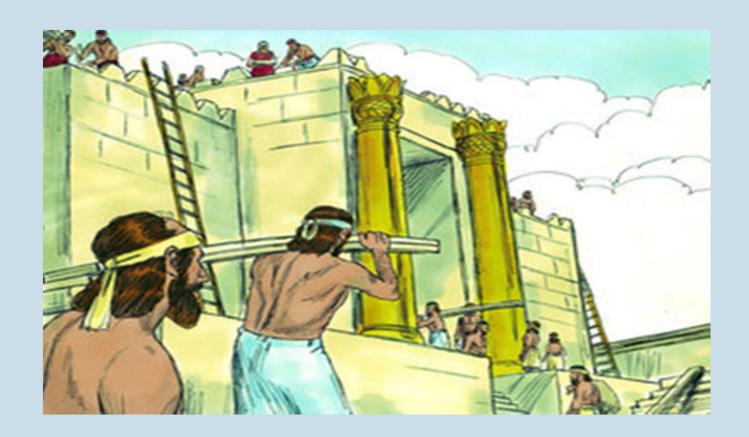
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#### Conclusion

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- It took them 16 years to finish building the Temple.
- 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/Grade06.pdf