

# Sunday School Grade 7

## 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 What Can I Do Now?

## Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 1**

- Lord Jesus gave us commandments about mercy, love and kindness. He also gave us His Body.
- There is a lot of ways that we can serve the ones in need.
- We can visit and support those who have problems. Such as an orphan, poor, sick, etc.
- We can support them by showing them love and respect. Praying together.
- When we give alms no matter the amount, it helps the needy. We can give our time and compassion.
- Jesus gave the example of the poor widow. She gave all that she had. Even though she needed it.

# Word Bank

- Almsgiving



- Serve



- Visit



- Respect



- Time



- Widow



**Objective: How to practice almsgiving practically at the individual and group levels.**



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**Memory Verse: “Little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth” (1 John 3:18)**



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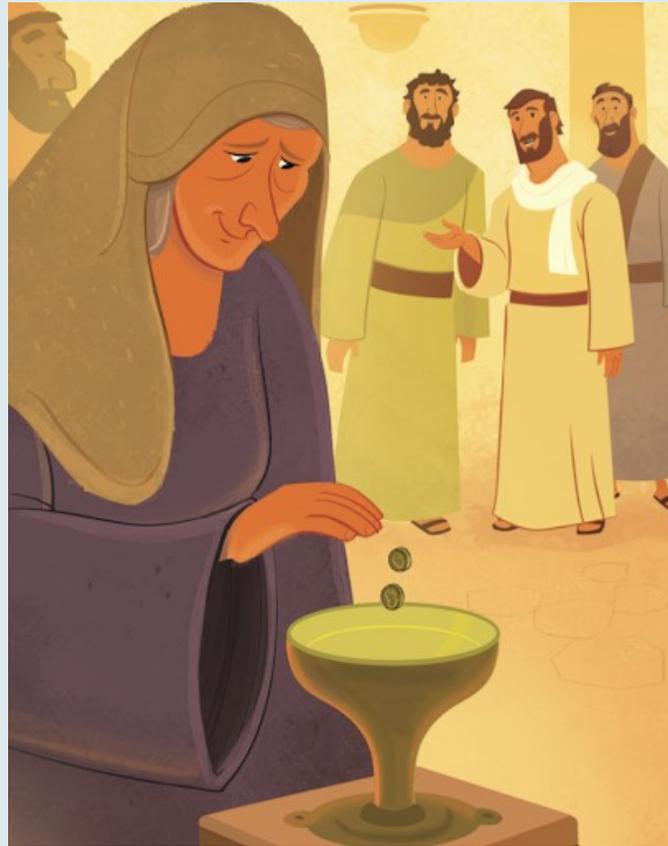
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# What Can I do Now?

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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/Grade07.pdf>