

# Sunday School Grade 9

## 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 The Titles of St. Mary

## Lessons for the Month of August

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**
  - The Mother of God (Theotokos). She did not give birth to manhood only but she gave birth to God the Son.
  - Perpetual Virgin. The virgin Mary was of perpetual virginity before, during and after the Divine conception and after the birth of Christ.
  - Jesus' brothers whom the Bible mentioned, they are his cousins, his mother's sister's Sons.
  - The Saint and Pure. She is a saint as the Holy Spirit sanctified her.
  - The Faithful Mediator. We ask St. Mary to intercede on our behalf.
  - Through her intercession, Jesus turned the water into wine at the wedding of Cana in Galilee.

# Word Bank

- Theotokos



- Virgin



- Cousins



- Intercede



- Water to wine



- Holy Spirit



**Objective: Developing the attitude of intercession with St Mary in our everyday life.**



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**Memory Verse: “*Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb*” (Luke 1: 42)**



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# The Titles of St. Mary

## Lessons for the Month of August

- **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/Grade09.pdf>