#### 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 The Coming of the Savior Jesus Christ Lessons for the Month of January

- Lesson Outline: Week 1
  - Isaiah the prophet prophesied about Jesus being born from a virgin. He called Him "the Prince of peace".
  - Jeremiah the prophet prophesied that God will make a new covenant with man.
  - St. Mary said glorifying God "My soul magnifies the Lord. And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior."
  - Zachariah said, "Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people,..."
  - Simon the elder lived until he saw Jesus. He said "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace,..."
  - Through the Nativity all heavenly and earthly creatures gathered to bow to Jesus and glorify Him...

#### **Word Bank**

Prophesied



Zachariah



Covenant



Simon



Rejoice



Nativity



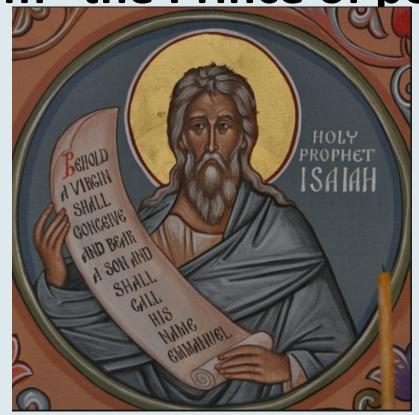
## Objective: To contemplate the Nativity of the King of Glory and the Prince of Peace.



### Memory Verse: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people" (Luke 2:10)



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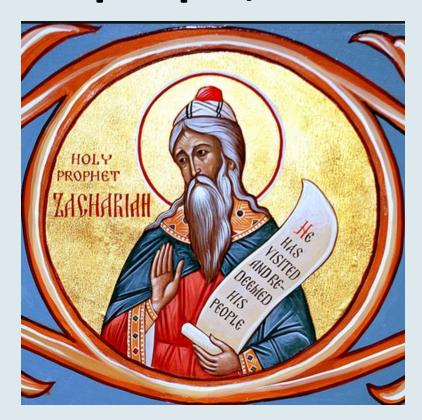
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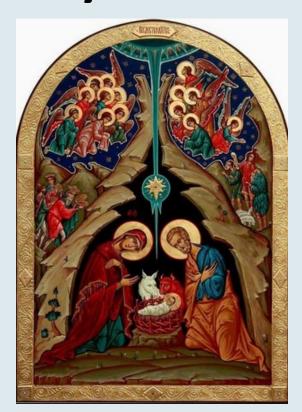
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

#### 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