

Sunday School Grade 1

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 Child David the Shepherd

Lessons for the Great Lent

Lesson Outline: Week 2

- The child David cared for his father’s sheep.
- He loved to pray and sing to his sheep using the flute.
- A sheep named “Fufu” went out and was absent.
- A lion and a bear took Fufu.
- David prayed to God to guard “Fufu” and asked other sheep to pray for “Fufu” as well.
- David found “Fufu” with the lion and the bear. David saved Fufu after attacking the lion and the bear with the power of God.

Word Bank

- Sheep



- Power of God



- Flute



- King David



- Lion



- Bear



Objective: 1) God's care for David and David's love for God. 2) David expressed his love to God through his prayers and his psalms



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Memory Verse: “The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want” (Psalm 23:1)



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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/Grade01.pdf>