

Sunday School Grade 4 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 Unction of the Sick

Lessons for the Great Lent

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- In the sacrament, The Unction of the Sick, the priest prays 7 times and anoints the sick with Holy Oil.
- The priest uses a dish with oil and 7 pieces of cotton in the shape of the cross.
- If you are sick you should go to the doctor, but also repent and confess then do the sacrament.
- The person must fast before the priest anoints them with oil on their forehead, chest, and hands.
- The sick person then receives communion. The person should anoint themselves for 7 days.
- You need to have faith that God will heal you. Sometimes you don't get healed for reasons you can't understand.

Word Bank

- Priest



- Oil



- Sacrament



- Anoints



- Communion



- Faith



Objective: To understand the importance of the Holy Sacrament of the Unction of the Sick.



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Memory Verse: *“Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord...”*
(James 5:14-15)



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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/Grade04.pdf>