

# 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 Water from the Rock

## Lessons for the Pentecost

### Lesson Outline: Week 3

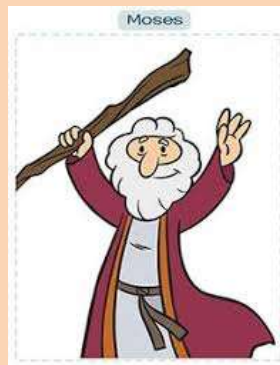
- Moses was leading the people of God in the desert.
- People of God became very thirsty and there was no water.
- The people became very upset at Moses who brought them to the desert.
- Moses prayed and cried out to the Lord.
- The Lord advised Moses to go to a rock to strike it so the people may drink from it.
- Moses listened to God and everyone was satisfied

# Word Bank

- Rock



- Rod



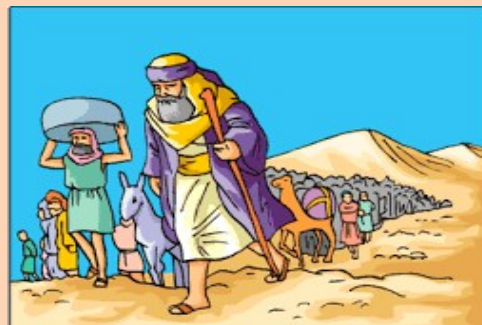
- Desert



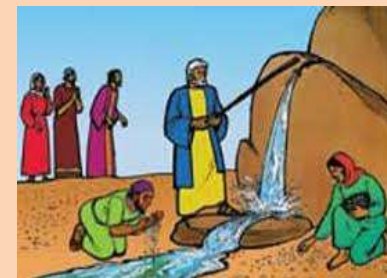
- Pray



- Lead



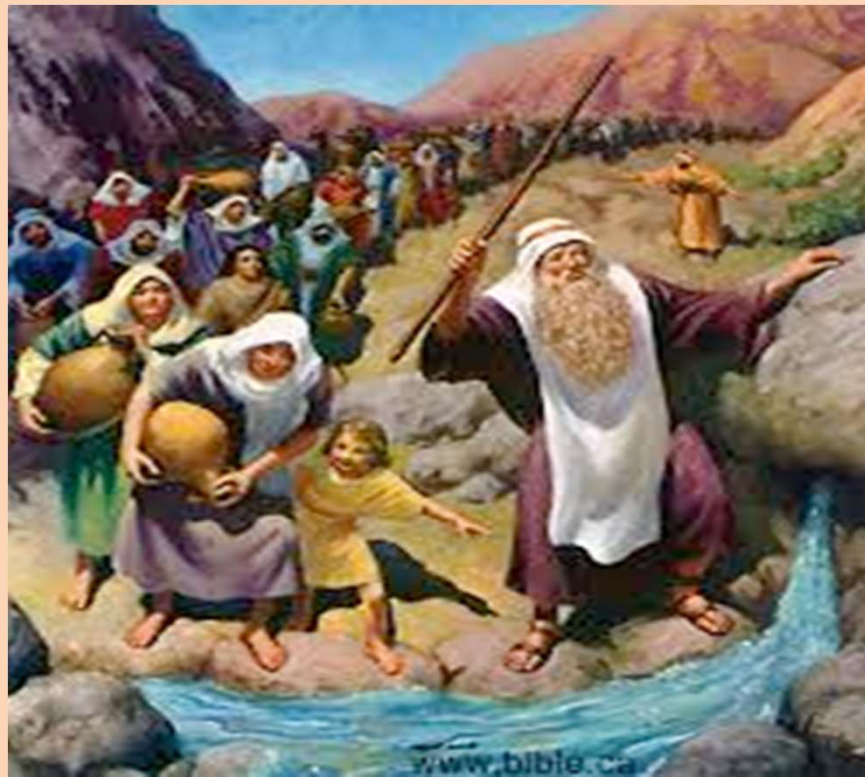
- Water



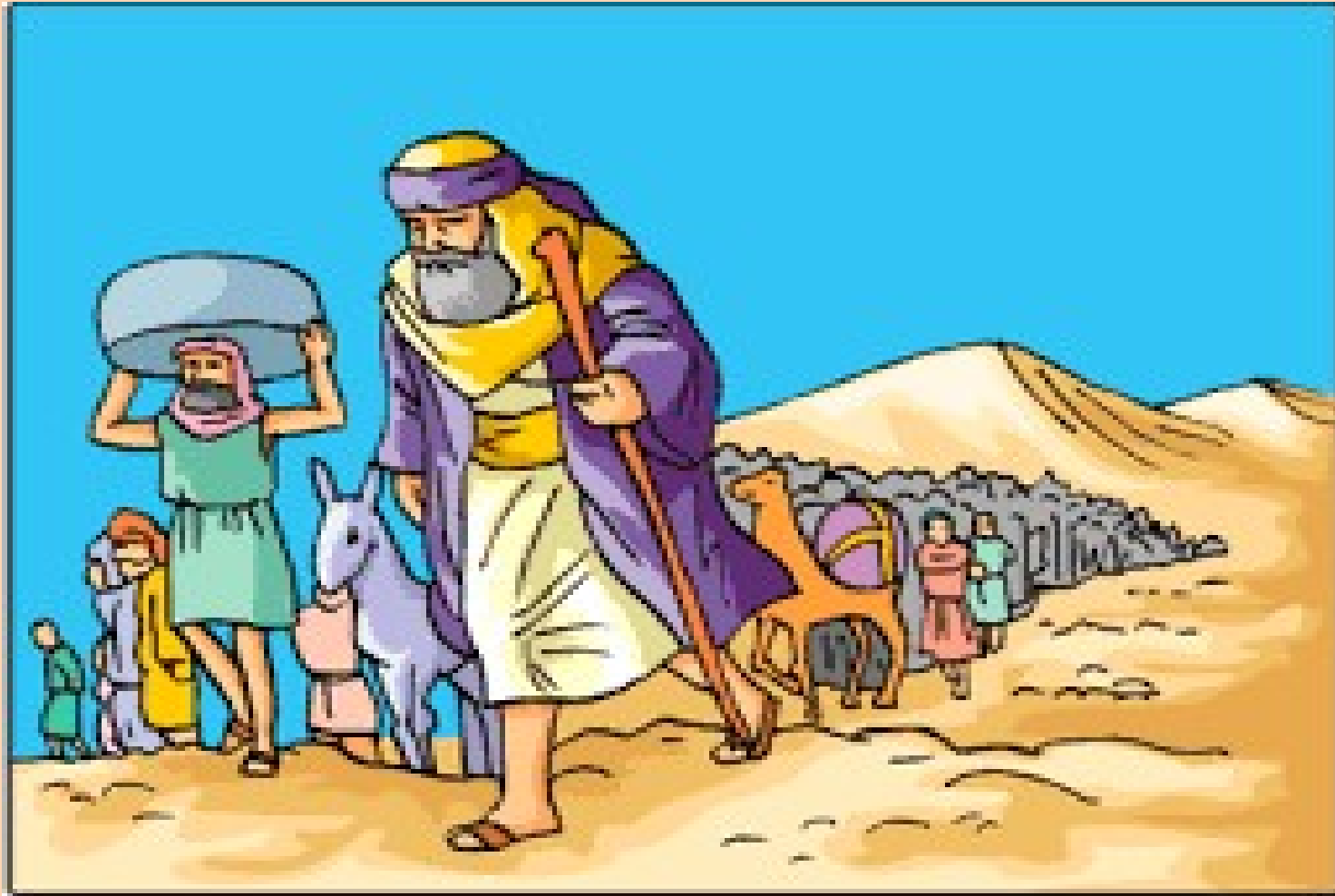
**Objective: God gives us our food, drink, cloth and everything we have and need.**



**Memory Verse: “ You shall strike the rock and water will come out of it”  
(Exodus 17:6)**



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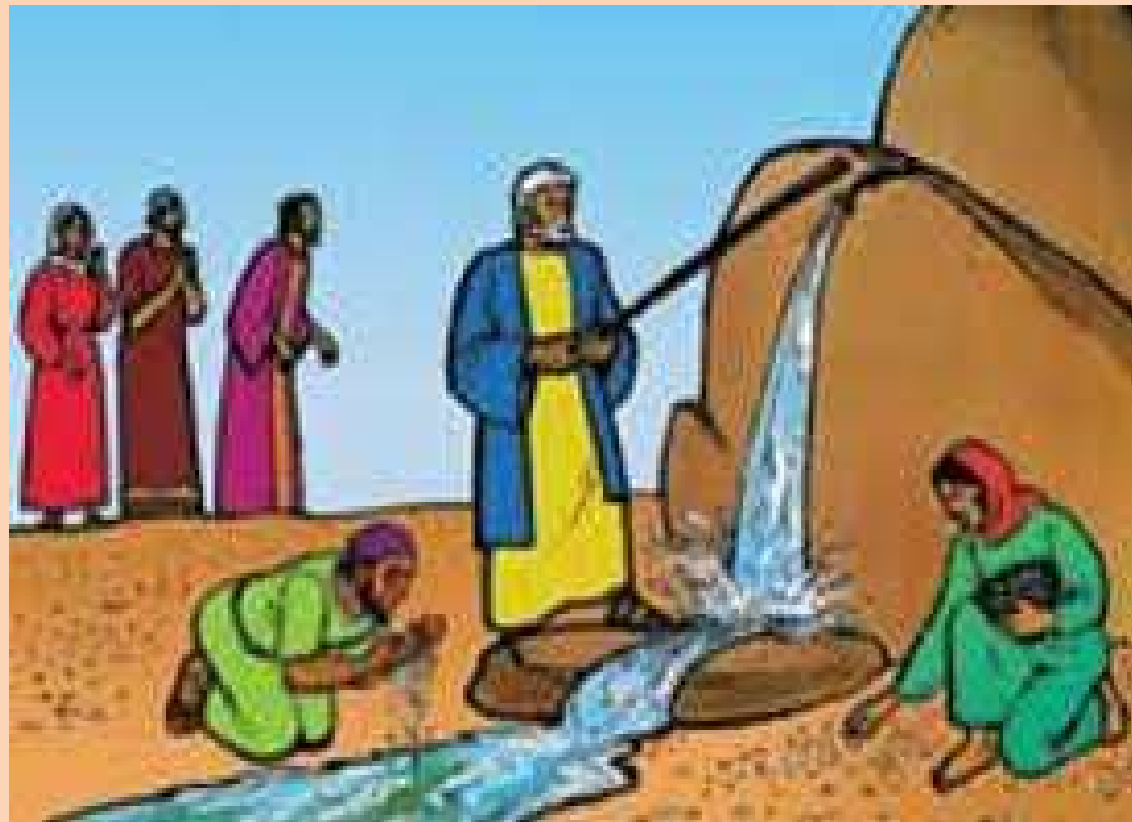
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# Water from the Rock

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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>