

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 Parable of the Leaven

Lessons for the Pentecost

Lesson Outline: Week 6

- Jesus Christ told a story to the people about the lady who cooked Dough with the Leaven.
- The lady baked 3 meals with Dough.
- The lady decided to put Leaven in her Dough to make it nicer.
- Because she added the Leaven, the meals turned to be enough.
- God was teaching us a lesson about how to be a good girls and boys.
- When our friends see we are good, they will try to imitate us to be good like us.

Word Bank

- Dough



- Leaven



- Rise



- Enough



- Good



- Imitate



Objective: To be good to people around us so they would imitate us



Memory Verse: “The kingdom of heaven is like leaven” (Matthew 13:33)



‘The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened.’ Matthew 13:33

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The Parable of the Leaven

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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>