

# Sunday School Grade 2

## 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.

# The Lord Christ Appears to St. Paul

## Lessons for The Pentecost period

- **Lesson Outline: Week 7**

- Saul hated the Christians and persecuted them. He searched for them everywhere to kill them.
- One day, he decided to go to Damascus to kill Christians because there were many there.
- On their way to Damascus, a light stronger than Sun's light appeared to them.
- Saul couldn't take the light and fell on the ground.
- God appeared to Saul saying: "Saul.. Saul.. Saul... Why do you persecute me?"
- Saul was introduced to Christ and became a new man.

# Word Bank

- Apostles



- Persecute



- Saul



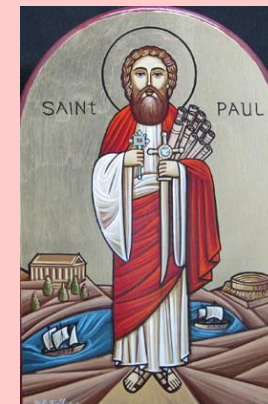
- Damascus



- Light



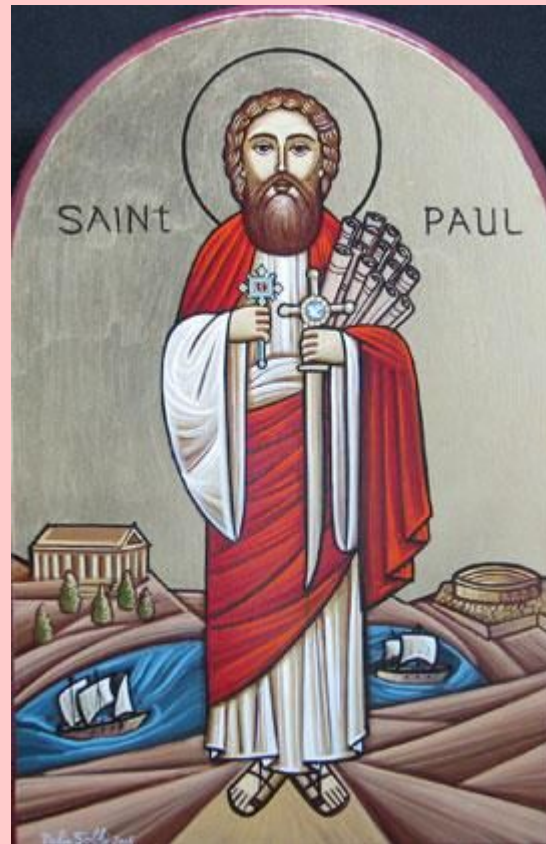
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# Objective: Celebrating the Apostles' Day.

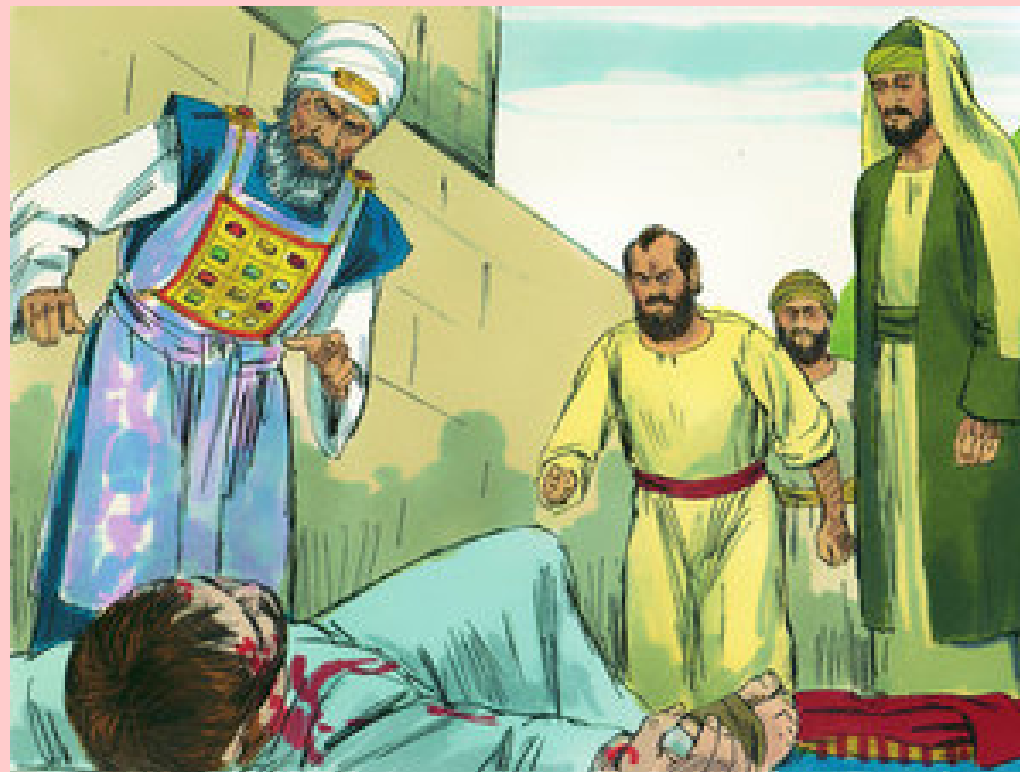


**Memory Verse: “Lord what do you want me to do?” (Acts 9:6)**



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## Lessons for Pentecost

### Conclusion:

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- Glory be to God 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/Grade02.pdf>