

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 Adam in Paradise

Lessons for the month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 4**

- Adam and God were talking all the time in paradise.
- God said that he can eat from all the trees except the one in the middle of the garden.
- Adam obeyed God and didn't eat from that tree.
- All the animals obeyed Adam and he named them.
- Adam thanked God for all of this, but he was lonely.
- God is kind and made Eve to help Adam.

Word Bank

- Paradise



- Middle



- Tree



- Obeyed



- Lonely



- Eve



Objective: God's care and love for us.



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Memory Verse: “God said: Let us make man in our image” (Genesis 1:26)



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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>