

# 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.

# Preparation for Behavior in the Lord's House

## Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**

- The Lord went to the temple and found people misbehaving, lying, and cheating.
- He was upset and told them to leave because they didn't respect the church.
- During the liturgy, we should stay in one place and not move a lot.
- Before communion, we should take our shoes off and sign the cross.
- We should give back to the church by giving money and time.
- We receive blessing from the church by coming and greeting priests.

# Word Bank

- Misbehaving



- Leave



- Liturgy



- Cross



- Giving



- Greeting



**Objective: Love for people and church.  
Showing reverence to the House of  
God.**



**Memory Verse: “My House shall be called  
a House of Prayer” (Mark 11:17)**



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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/Grade02.pdf>