

# Sunday School Grade 3

## 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 Cloud And The Pillar Of Light

## Lessons for the month of October

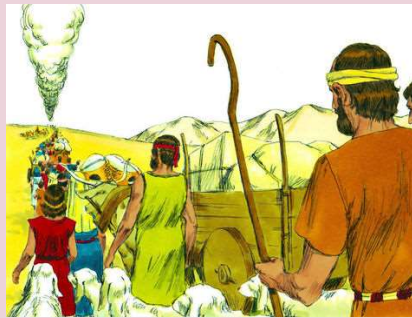
- **Lesson Outline: Week 4**
  - The Israelites were saved from Pharaoh's army.
  - God sent a cloud to lead the Israelites through the desert by day. It protected them from the sun.
  - God sent fire to lead the Israelites through the desert by night. It gave them light.
  - Moses explained to them the meaning of Passover. He told them to remember and celebrate it yearly.
  - The cloud is the Lord leading and protecting us always.
  - The Lord Jesus Christ is our pillar of light. He is the light of the world.

# Word Bank

- Light



- Cloud



- Fire



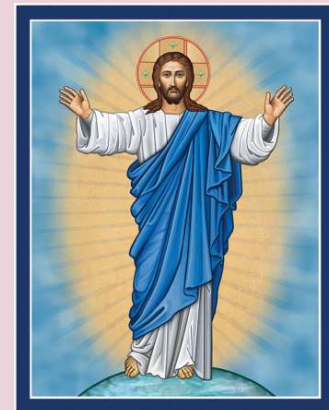
- Remember



- Lead



- Light of the world



**Objective: Showing that God guides His children along the way.**



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**Memory Verse: “I am the light of the world” (John 8:12).**



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# The Cloud And The Pillar Of Light

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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/Grade03.pdf>