

# Sunday School Grade 3 A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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## **A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum**

- 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 Coptic New Year- St. Stephen

## Lessons for the month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

- The apostles choose 7 deacons. St. Stephen was one.
- He talked with the Jews about religion but they hated that Jesus was the only savior.
- They took him to the Synagogue to judge him.
- The men gave Saul their clothes to guard then they stoned St. Stephen.
- He prayed to Jesus and saw a vision of angels in heaven.
- He said, “Lord do not charge them with this sin,” then fell asleep.

# Word Bank

- 7 deacons



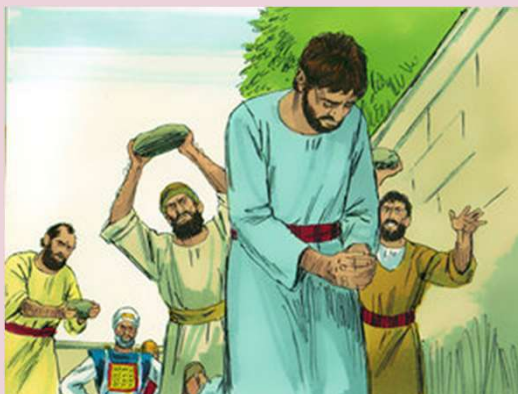
- Religion



- Judge



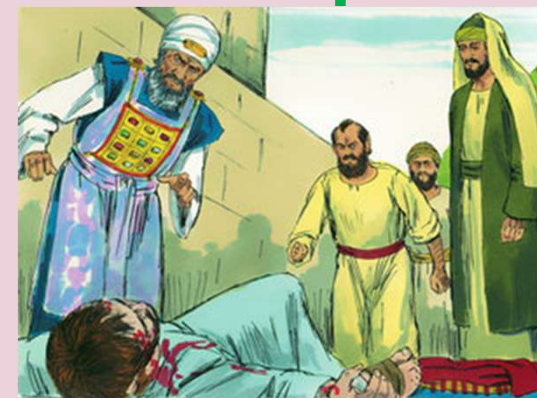
- Stoned



- Vision



- Asleep



**Objective: Honoring saints and praising their firm stand in faith.**



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**Memory Verse: “Lord, do not charge them with this sin” (Acts 7:60).**



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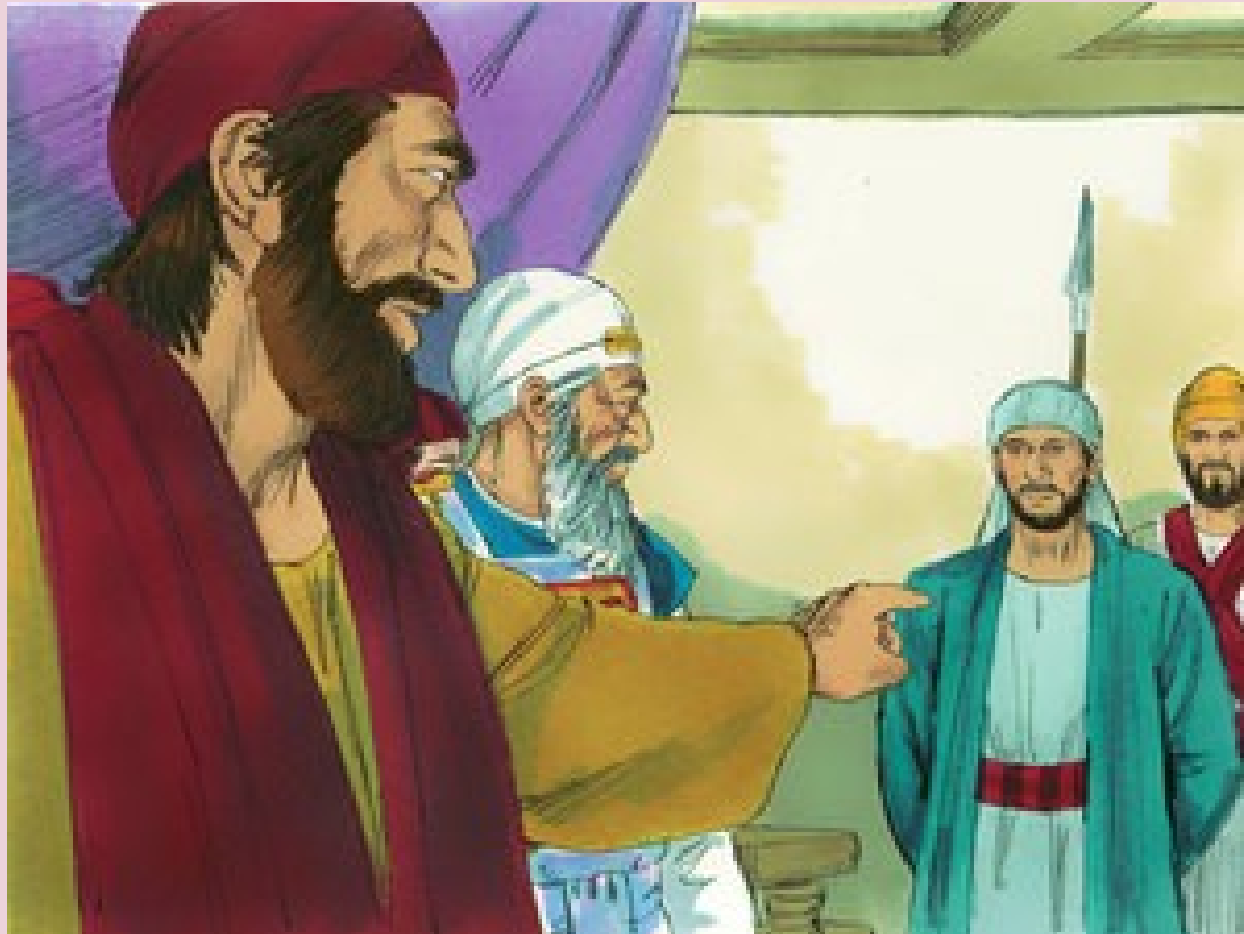


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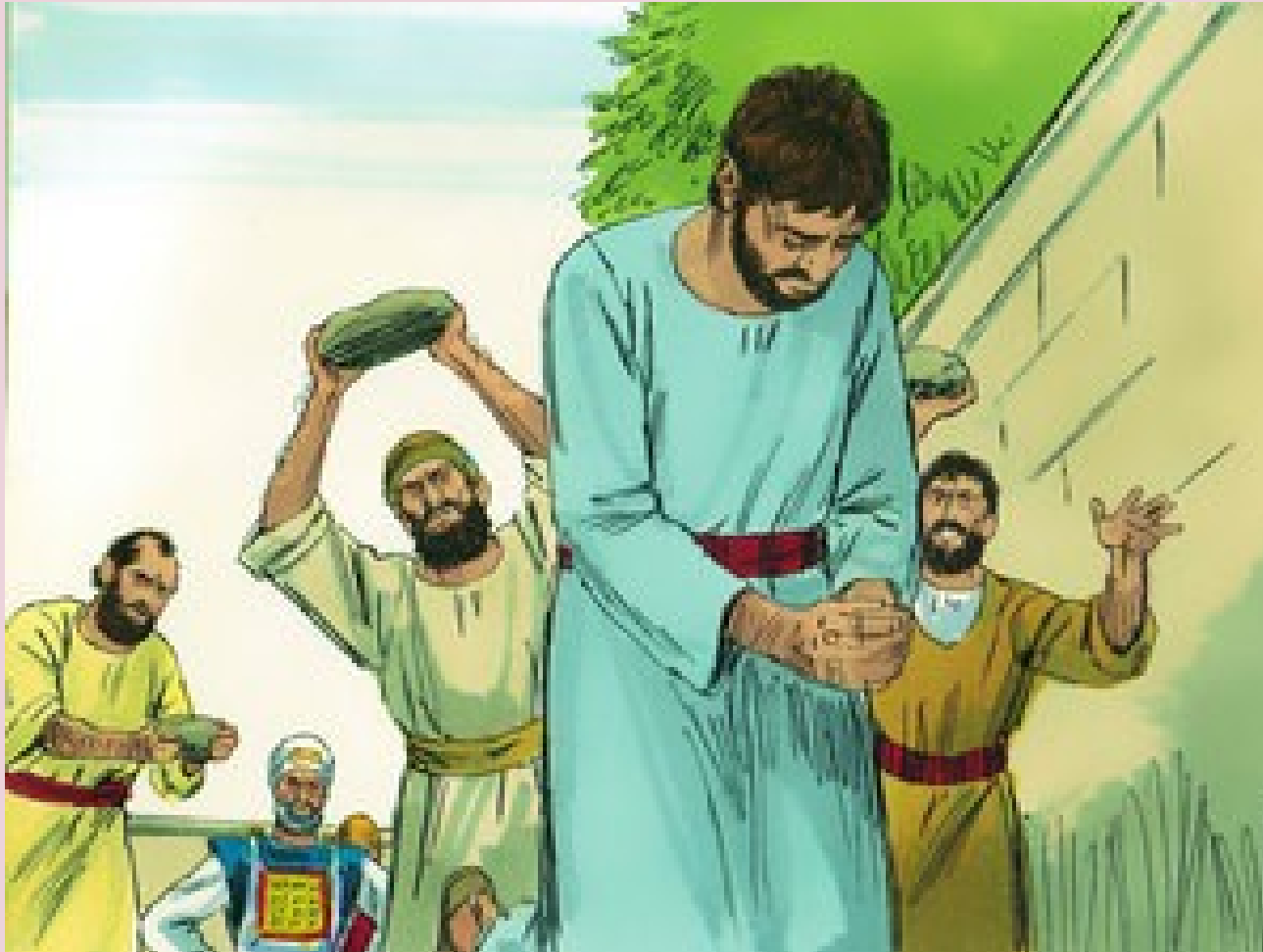
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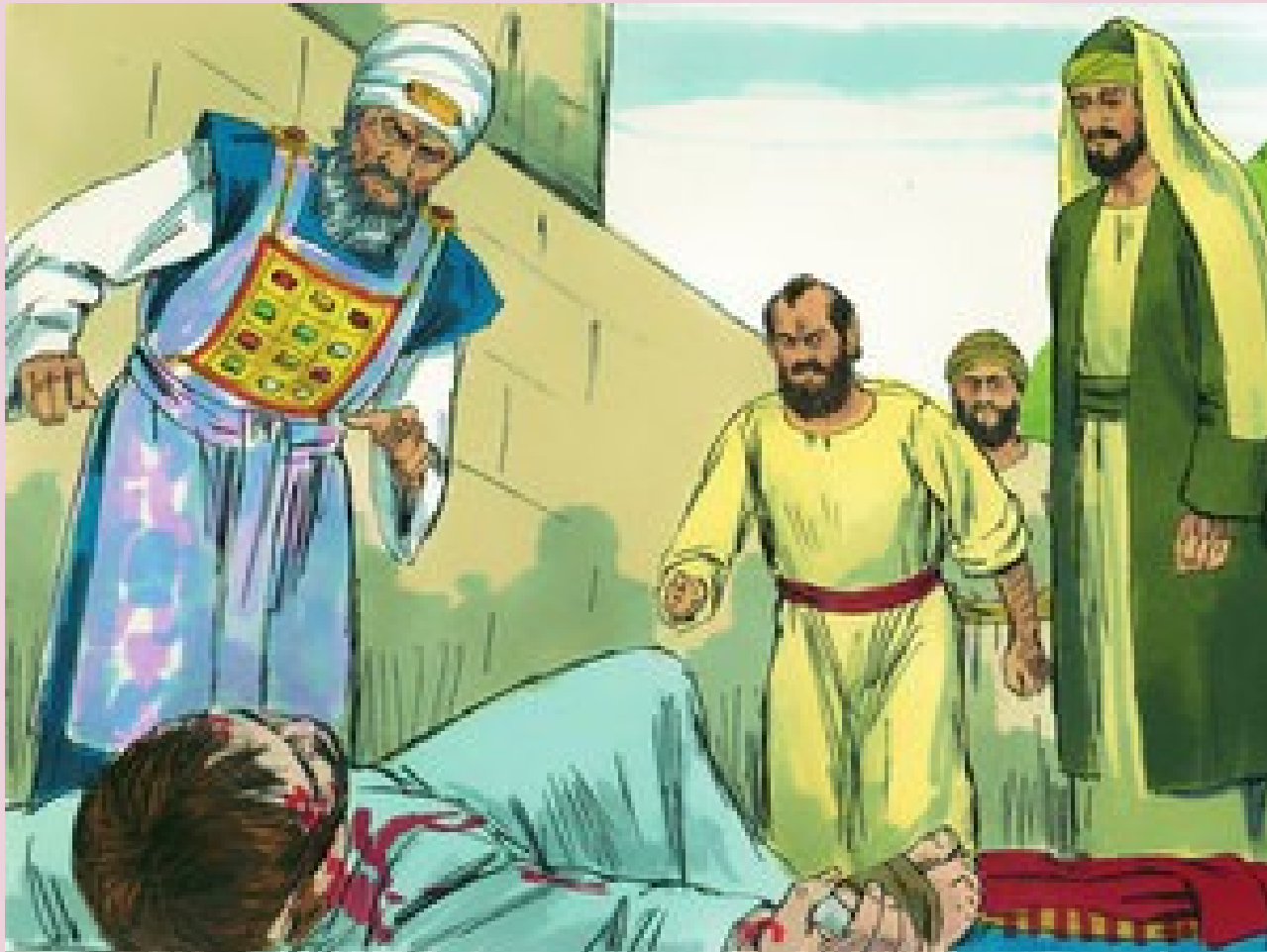
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# The Coptic New Year- St. Stephen

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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>