## Sunday School Grade 5 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 Jesus and Zacchaeus the Tax-Collector

#### Lessons for the month of October

- Lesson Outline: Week 3
  - Zacchaeus was a tax collector. He wanted to meet Jesus.
  - Zacchaeus heard that Jesus was coming. He ran to meet Him.
  - Zacchaeus could not see Him from the crowd. He was a short man.
  - Zacchaeus climbed a sycamore tree. Jesus saw him. Jesus said Zacchaeus come down.
  - Jesus said to him I will eat at your house today. Zacchaeus was happy.
  - Zacchaeus vowed to give money to the poor. And he will return any money he took by cheating.

#### **Word Bank**

- Zacchaeus
- Tax-Collector
- Sycamore Tree



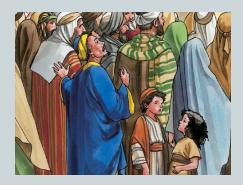




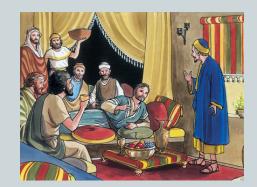
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Vow



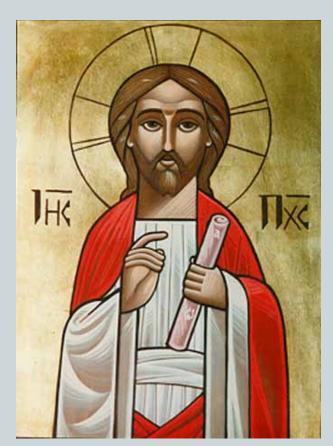




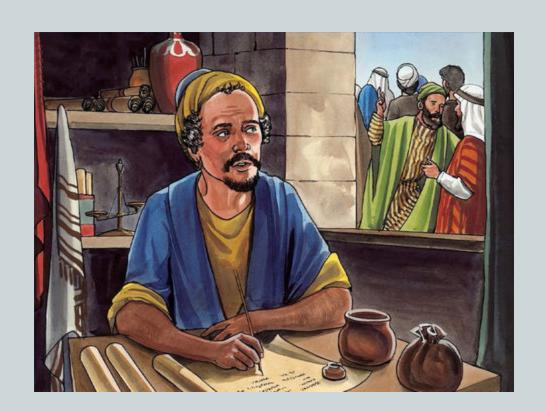
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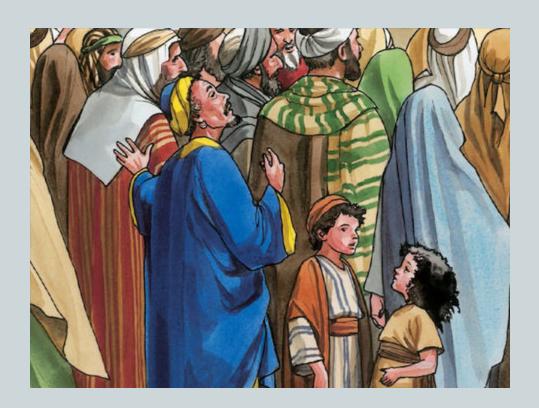
#### Memory Verse: "Jesus said to him: Today, Salvation has come to this house" (Luke 19:9)



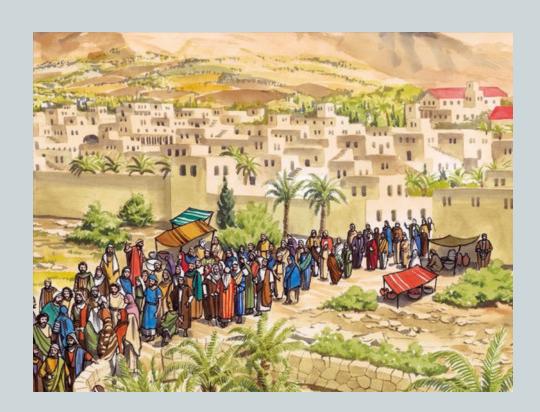
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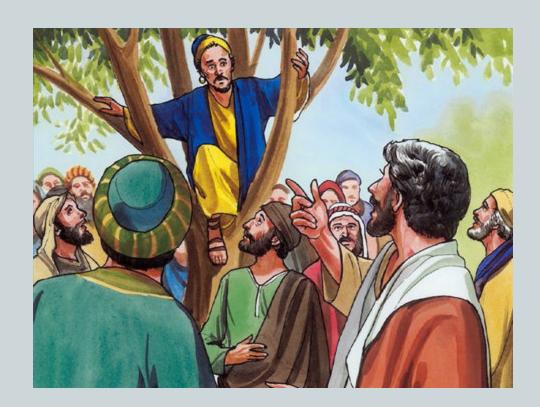
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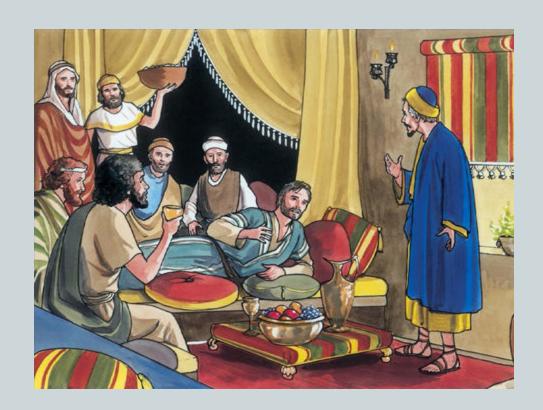
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#### Conclusion

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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/Grade05.pdf