

# Sunday School Grade Pre-School A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. 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 Daniel in the Lions' Den

## Lessons for the Month of December

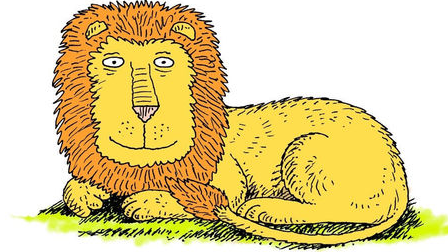
- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**
  - Once there was king that ordered the people not to pray.
  - Daniel loved God and always prayed.
  - He prayed anyway. Some people saw him and told the king.
  - The king sent Daniel to the lions den
  - God sent angels to protect Daniel from the lions.
  - The next day Daniel told the king that God saved him. He was not harmed.

# Word Bank

- Protect



- Lion



- Pray



- Lion Den



- Not harmed



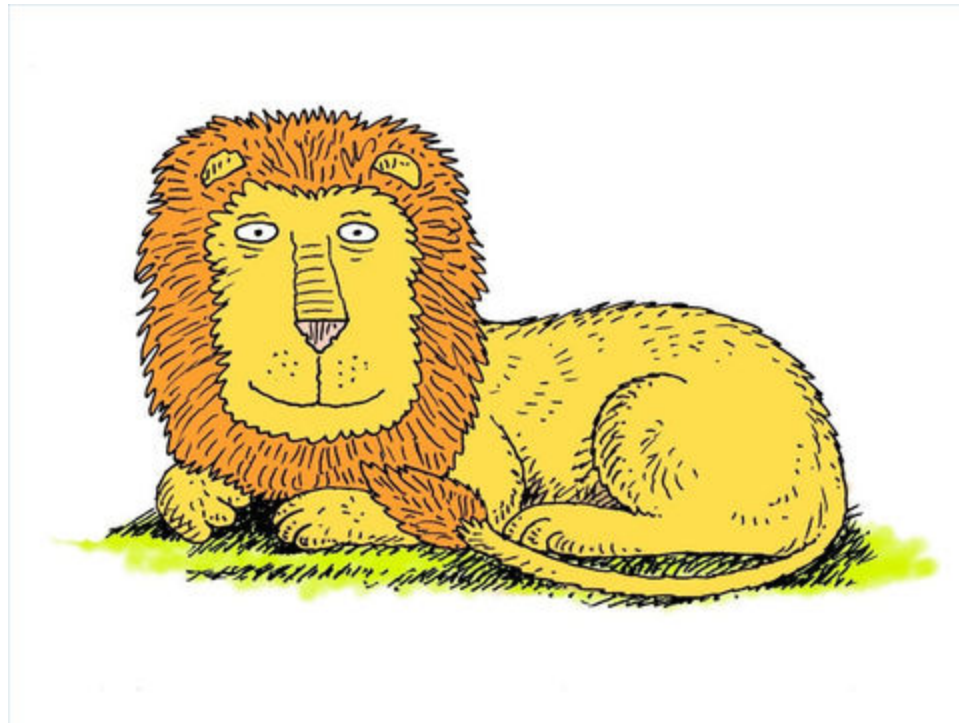
- Saved



**Objective: Learn that God always protects His children.**



**Memory Verse: “My God sent His angel  
and shut the lions’ mouths” Daniel 6:22**



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**He prayed anyway. Some people saw him and told the king.**



**The king sent Daniel to the lions den.**



**God sent angels to protect Daniel from the lions. He was not harmed.**



**The next day Daniel told the king that God saved him.**



# Daniel in the Lions' Den

## Lessons for the Month of November

- **Conclusion**

- Once there was king that ordered the people not to pray.
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- The king sent Daniel to the lions den
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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/Grade-PreK.pdf>