## Sunday School Grade 11 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.

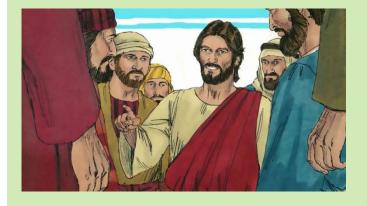
## Preparation for Fun And Joy Lessons for the Month of December

#### Lesson Outline: Week 4

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- Jesus promised us that upon His second coming we will be rejoicing. It will be eternal joy and happiness.
- People think sin is always fun or the only way to have fun is to sin. Sin does not bring joy. Then it is not fun.
- If music brings bad feelings and bad emotions to the person, it is sin. If fellowship or friendship becomes sharing sins, then it is not fun.
- Repentance is joy. Donating to the poor is joyful. Prayer is a joy when you talk to someone you love. It brings the feelings of security and peace.
- Jesus was trying to tell parables with media effects to make them enjoyable. Everything we do can be fun if it is innocent and brings clean joy and happiness to our spirit.

### **Word Bank**

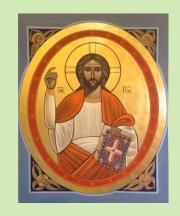
Rejoice



Music



Eternal Joy



Security



• Fun



Innocent fun



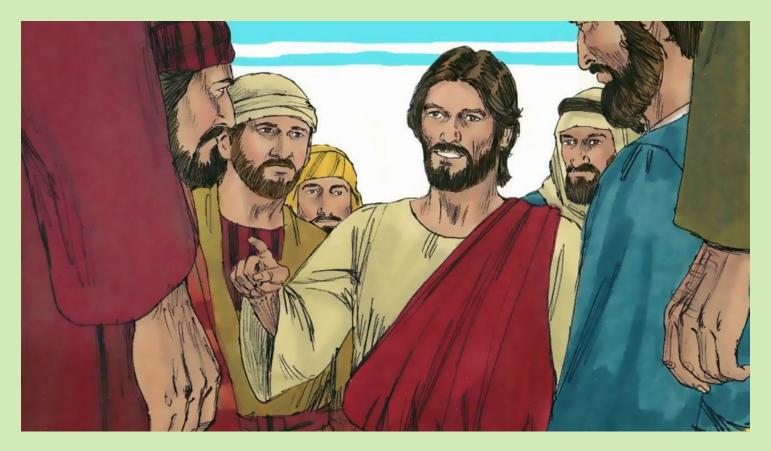
Objective: To be able to differentiate between the acceptable forms of godly fun or joy. To learn that Christianity is the greatest source of joy in our lives.



Memory Verse: "Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say rejoice" (Philippians 4:4).



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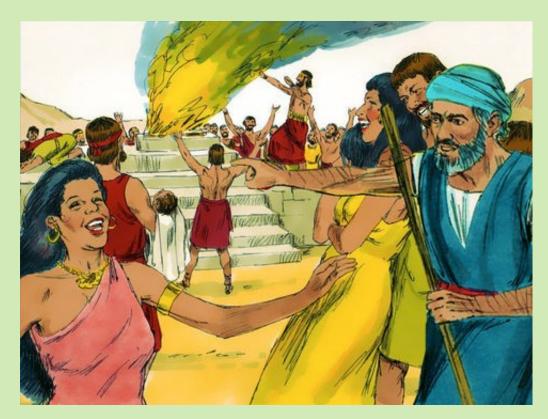
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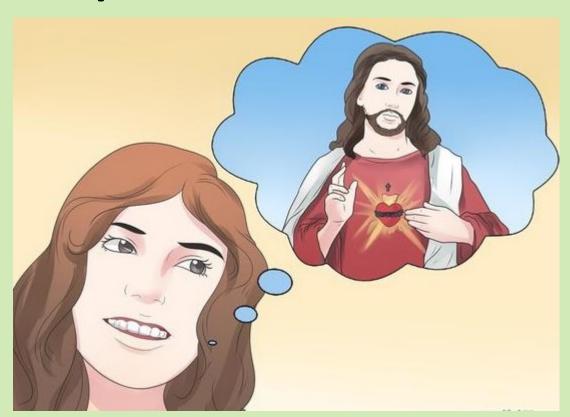
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

### 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/Grade11.pdf