## 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 The Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians

#### **Lessons for the Month of November**

- Lesson Outline: Week 3
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    62. It is positive and didactic.
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     This is the Spirit of God who guides us in our life.
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     One Faith: Children of God through faith in Christ.
  - 6. One Baptism: It is a covenant. 7. One God and Father: to all God is the source of true fatherhood.

### **Word Bank**

St. Paul



Holy Trinity



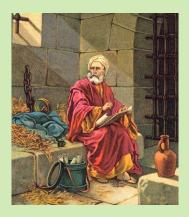
Ephesus



One Spirit



Prison



Salvation



Objective: Emphasizing the work of the Holy Trinity in the Church, the work of grace in the gentiles, Jews, and the life of fellowship. How to use the spiritual weapons? The family and social relationships from a Christian point of view.



Memory Verse: "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all" (Ephesians 4:4-6).

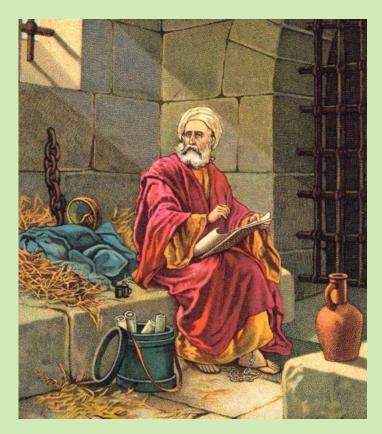


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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

#### 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