

# 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 Simeon the Elder

## Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 2**

- A long time ago Simeon was translating the Bible to Greek. He did not believe the Bible. It said a virgin will give birth to Emmanuel.
- God told him he will not die until he sees Christ. Simeon lived to be 330 years old.
- St. Mary and St. Joseph took Jesus to the temple when he was 40 days old. Simeon was taken to the temple by the spirit.
- Simeon carries Jesus in his arms. He knew that He was Jesus.
- He believed that He is Emmanuel the Bible referenced. He prayed and ask God to let him depart in peace.
- Simeon departed on the same day baby Jesus was presented to the temple. The church celebrates this day 40 days after Christmas.

# Word Bank

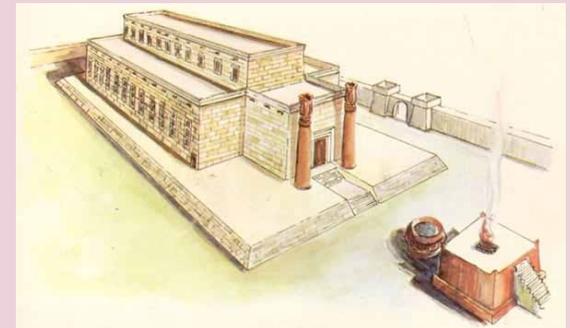
- St. Simeon



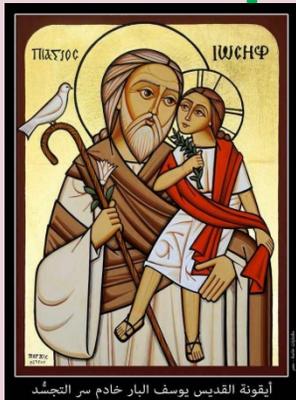
- Entry into the Temple



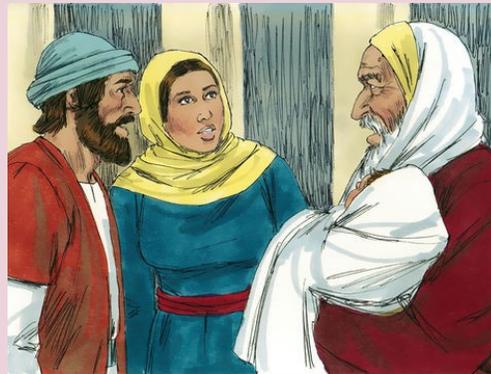
- Temple



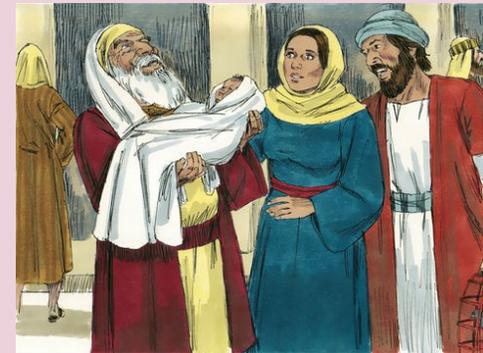
- St. Joseph



- Carried



- Ask God



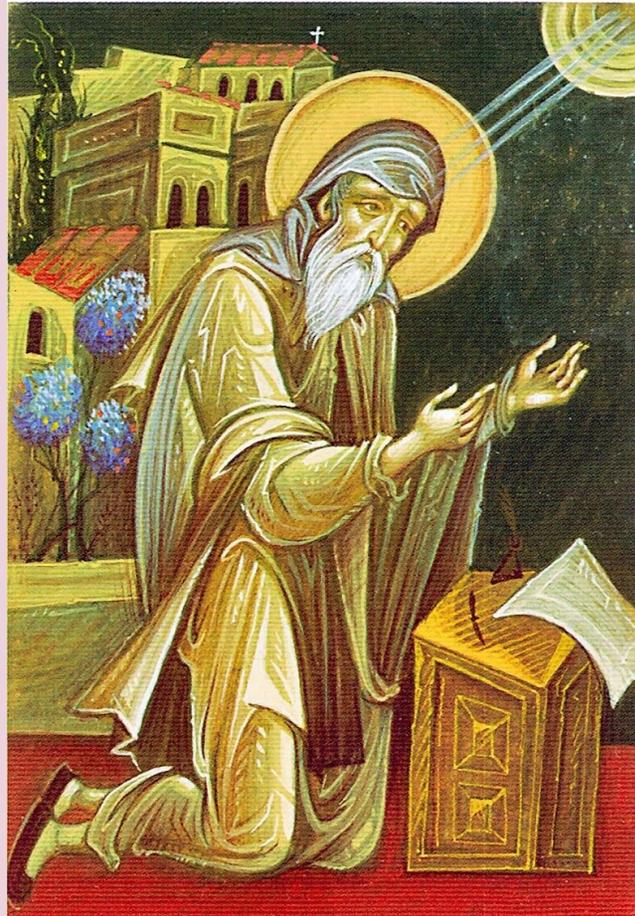
**Objective: To teach the children that everything that God tells us is true and we have to believe it even if it does not make sense to us at the moment.**



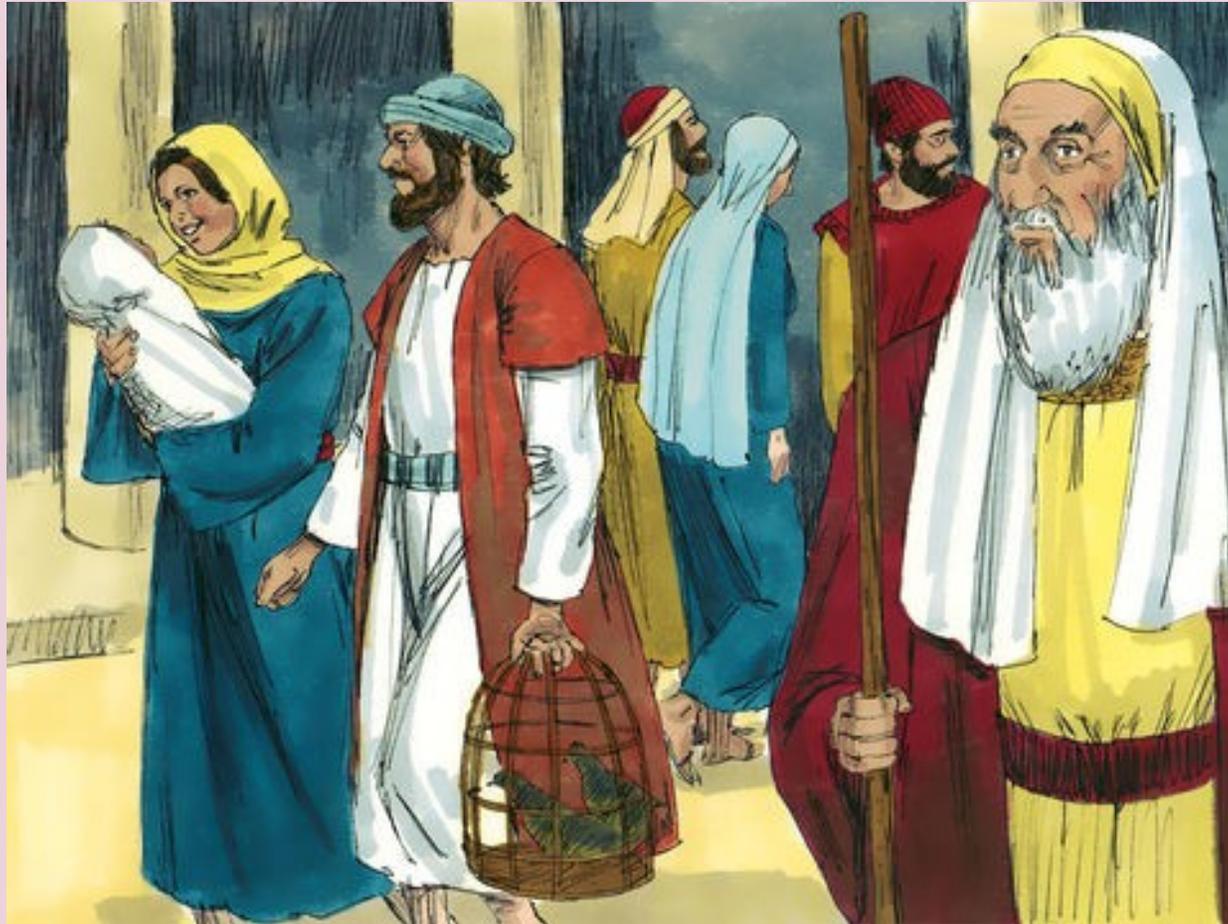
**Memory Verse: “Lord, now you are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation” (Luke 2:29).**



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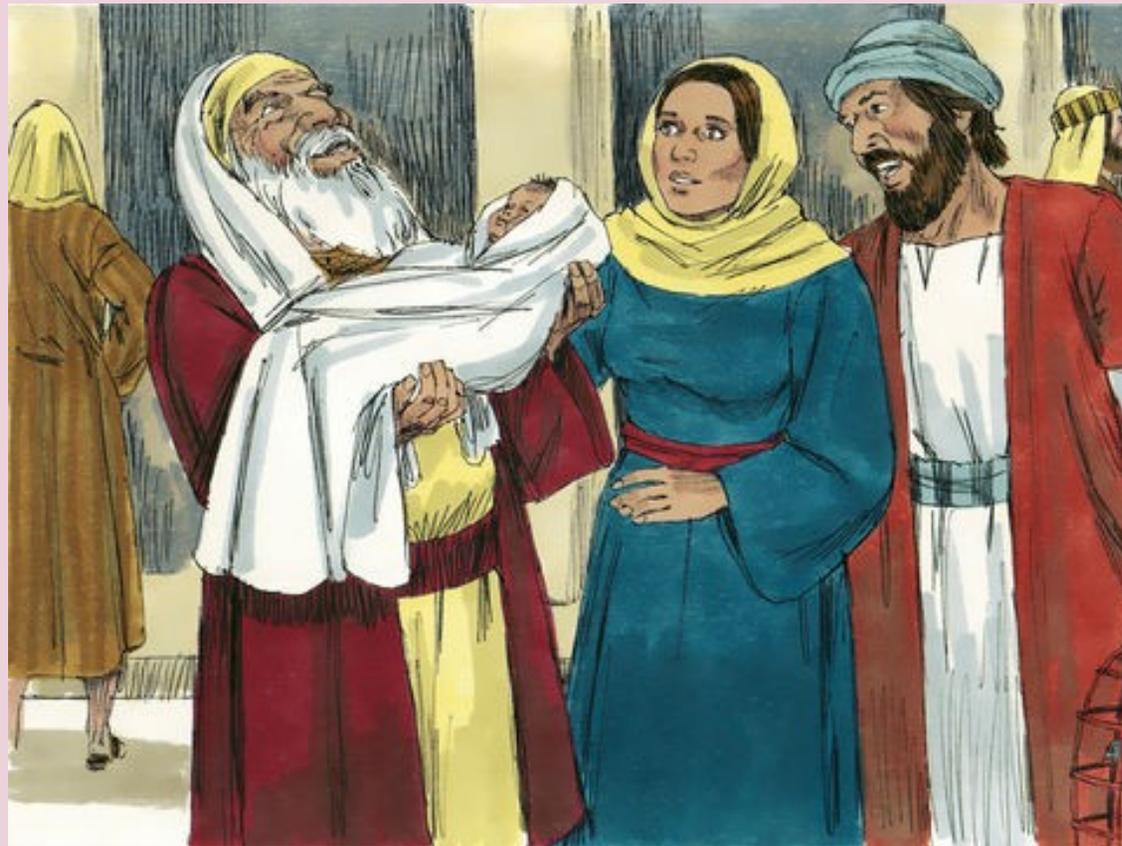


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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade03.pdf>