### Sunday School Grade 7 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 Transfiguration Lessons for the Month of August

#### Lesson Outline: Week 2

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- Moses and Elijah in their transfiguration symbolized the whole human nature.
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- Transfiguration in the fields of many arts and gifts. Example such as a musician who produces a masterpiece.
- Transfiguration with regards to certain definite spiritual qualities.
   Example such as our fathers' writing that we use to this day.
- Transfiguration as of the great works of grace in man. Example during the trial of St. Stephen's, his face was like the face of an angel.

#### **Word Bank**

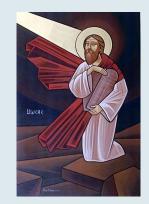
Transfiguration



Imagination



Moses



Church Fathers



Elijah



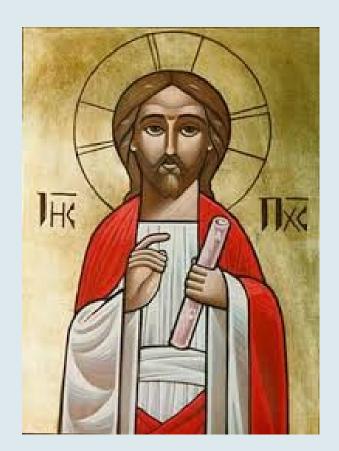
St. Stephen



Objective: To learn about the events and the nature of the transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ.



## Memory Verse: "Then human beings will be like angels of God in heaven" (Matthew 22:30)



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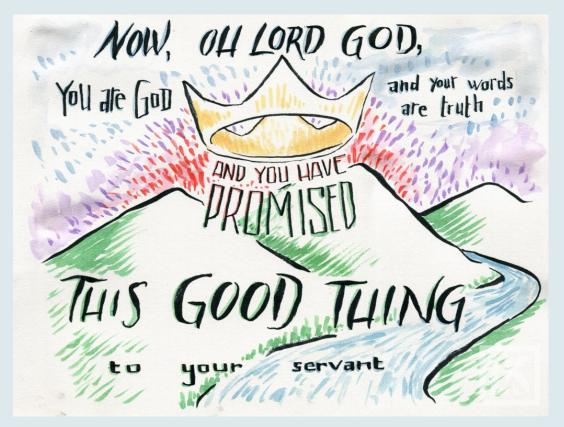


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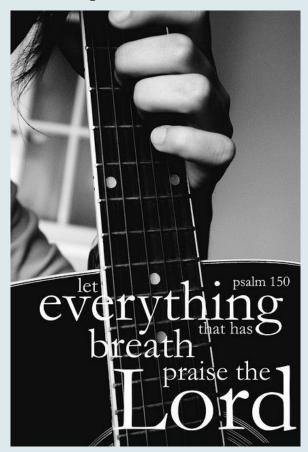




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#### Conclusion

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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/Grade07.pdf