

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 Ezekiel the Prophet of Renewal and Unity

Lessons for the Month of December

- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**

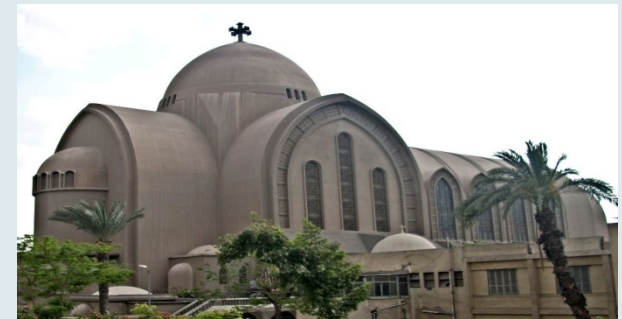
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- Ezekiel was taken captive to Babylon. There he prophesied about what would happen in the future.
- His prophecy came true 50 years later. Cyrus King of Persia gave an order that the Jews would return to Jerusalem from exile and rebuild the temple.
- Ezekiel prophesied about the work of the Holy Spirit and the New Life which is given to men.
- Before Christ man died. Because of Christ we received the gift of the new life.
- The breathing of the Spirit from the four parts of the world indicates the one church in the whole world. It is led and guided by the Spirit of the Lord in the holy unity of all believers.

Word Bank

- Prophet Ezekiel
- Nebuchadnezzar
- King Cyrus



- New Life
- Babylonian Empire
- Holy Unity



Objective: To learn about the new life in the prophecy of Ezekiel.



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**Memory Verse: “The name of the city from that day shall be: THE LORD IS THERE”
(Ezekiel 48:35)**



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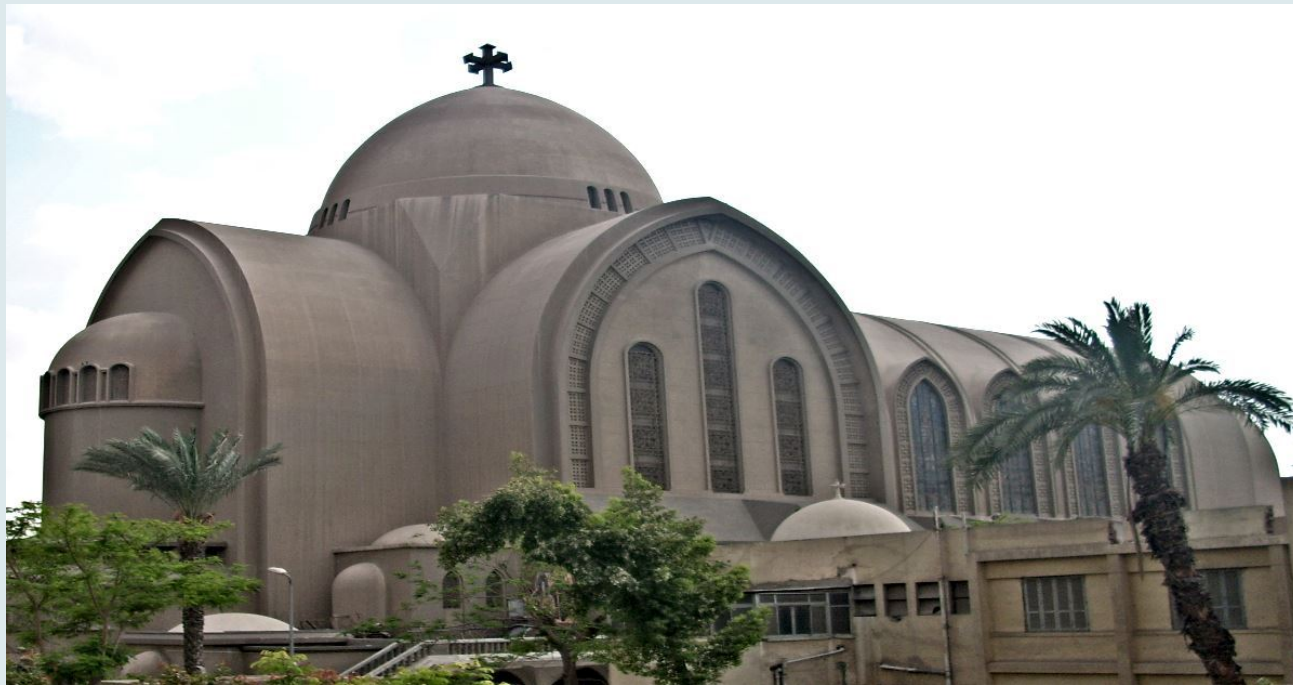
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- **Conclusion**
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

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>