

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 Sermon on the Mount (I)

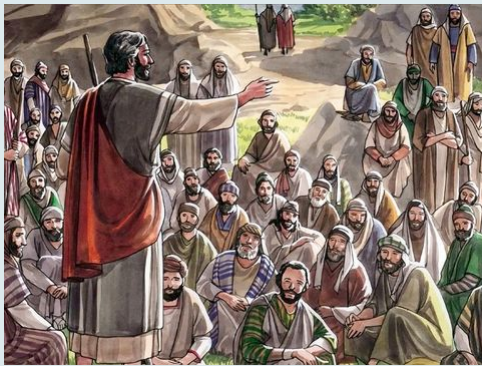
Lessons for the Month of November

- **Lesson Outline: Week 1**

- The Sermon on the Mount presents new standards and laws for God's people. This Gospel is read at the sixth hour. The Word of God Himself came to us and talked directly to us with simplicity.
- Blessed are the poor in the spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world. That they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Word Bank

- Sermon



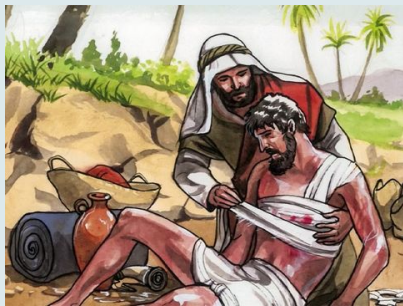
- Mourn



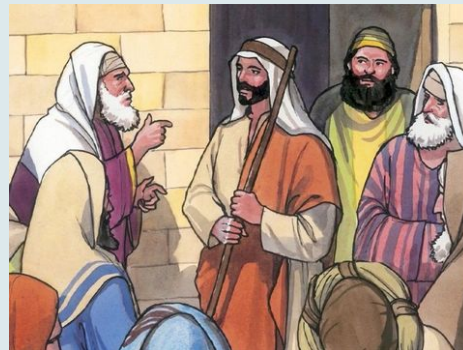
- Poor in spirit



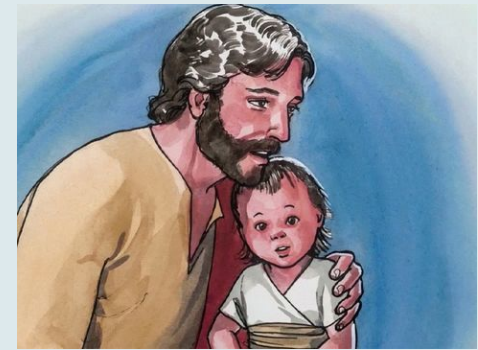
- Merciful



- Peacemaker



- Pure in heart



Objective: To learn the virtues desired for Christians as outlined in the Sermon on the Mount. To know what are the contents of the Sermon on the Mount.



Memory Verse: *“Narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which lead to life, and there are few who find it” (Matthew 7:14)*



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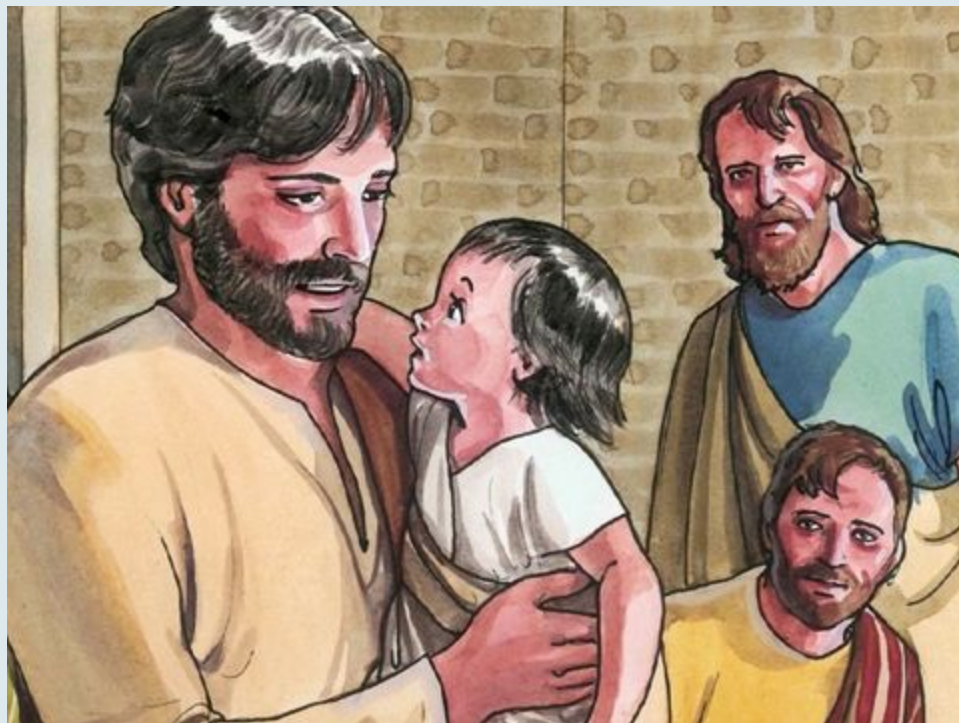


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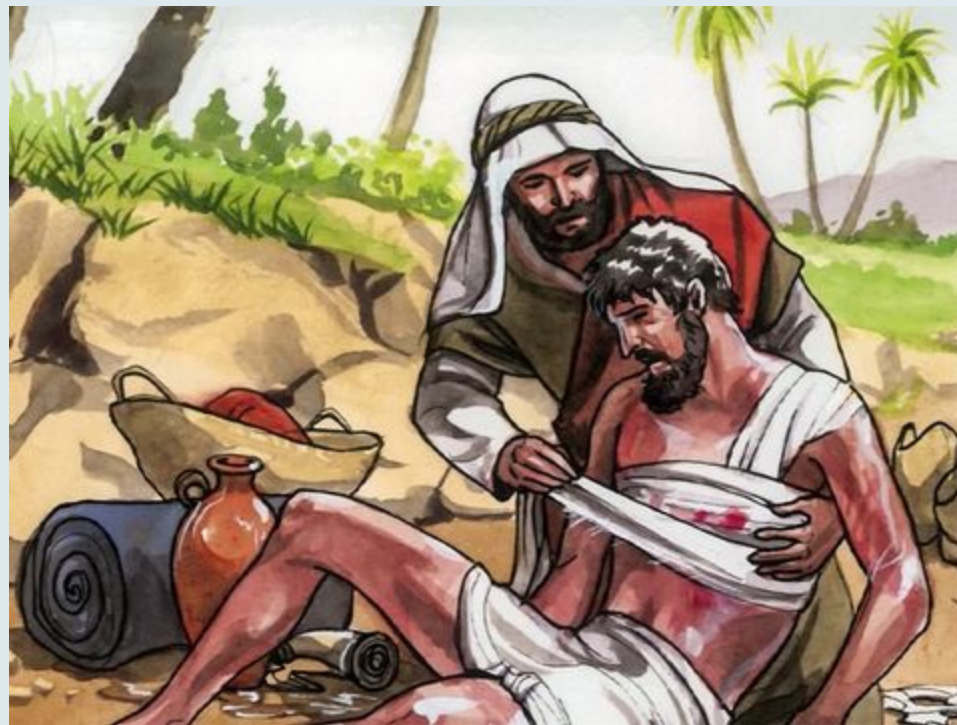


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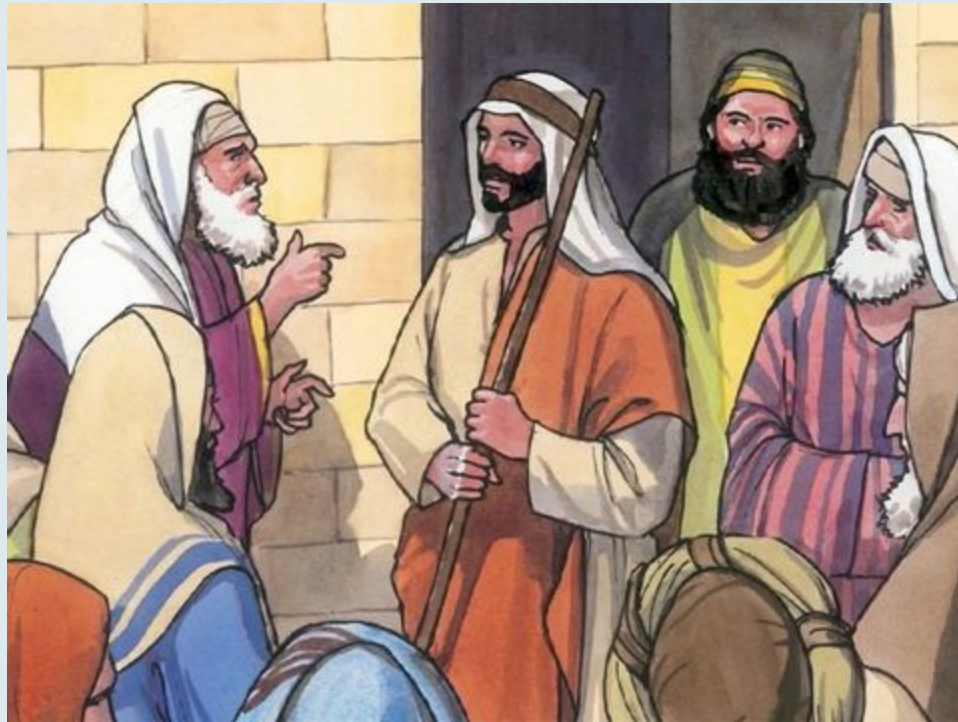


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- **Conclusion**
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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

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>