

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 Christian Self Esteem

Lessons for the Month of November

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- Our sense of aim comes from a proper understanding of God and His Word. The sense of belonging is essential to our well being as people.
- Our competence grows as we think better of ourselves. Which in turn changes our outlook on life.
- Christ has given us the greatest feeling of self-worth. When He gave Himself up for me and you to give us our sense of worth.
- Both insecurity and fear can destroy self-esteem. Freedom from sin is a source for high self-esteem.
- Accept self-responsibility for your life. Realize that your thoughts, words and actions are the mold for your future.
- A low self-esteem would be due to the works of the devil. He always tries to put us down. He tries to separate us from the power, the glory and the might of the Lord.

Word Bank

- **Self-Esteem**



- **God's Words**



- **Competence**



- **Freedom from sin**



- **Self-Responsibility**



- **Belonging**



Objective: To have a Christian self-esteem and use it in our society.



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Memory Verse: “Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ” (Romans 5:1)



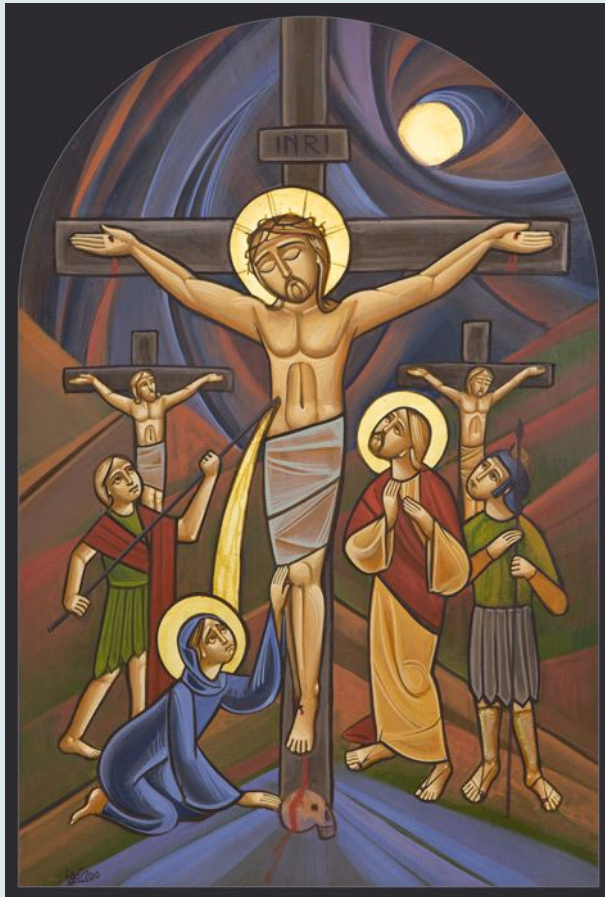
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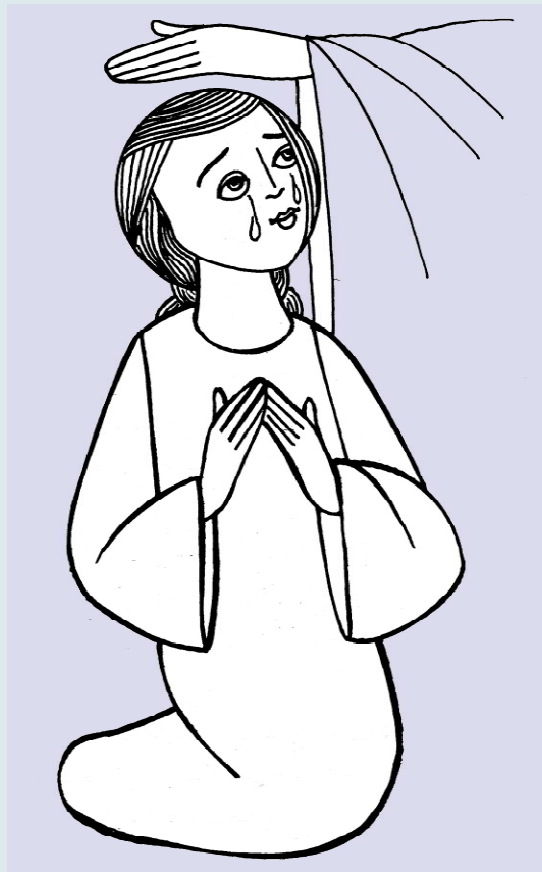


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Christian

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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>