

# 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 Holy Liturgy (I)

## Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- Jesus Christ laid the foundation for the church rites. He instituted the sacrament of the Eucharist in the upper room.
- The church sings praises and raises incense to prepare for the Liturgy.
- The offering (Qorban) is circle with a big cross in the center and 12 small ones.
- The deacon carries the basket of Qorban for the priest to chose the best one.
- Another deacon carries a cruet of wine. And another carries a cruet of water.
- The priest washes the Qorban as a symbol of baptism. It becomes the lamb offering. Then the thanksgiving prayer is prayed.

# Word Bank

- Institute



- Incense



- Qorban



- Cruets



- Choose



- Offering



**Objective: Explain the steps of the Holy Liturgy and how to benefit from attending it.**



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**Memory Verse: “He who eats My flesh  
and drinks My blood abides in Me and  
I in him” (John 6:56)**



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# Holy Liturgy (I)

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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>