

Sunday School Grade 8 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 Book Of Joshua The Son Of Sirach

Lessons for the Month of August

- **Lesson Outline: Week 4**

- Sirach wrote the wisdom of Sirach as a guideline of a virtuous life.
- Chapters 1 to 43 talk about how to deal with people. Such as parents, siblings, rich, poor...
- Doing good deeds. Such as visiting the sick, the imprisoned, avoid swearing, lying, giving tithe, staying away from sorcery.
- These chapters also provide advice for dealing with different situations.
- Chapters 44 to 50 lists the fathers and prophets of Israel. They enumerate their righteousness and good works.
- Chapter 51 is prayer and glory to God who gave Sirach wisdom.

Word Bank

- Rich



- Poor



- Different



- Prophets



- Sorcery



- Give Glory



Objective: To learn about the content and theme of the Book of the Wisdom of the Son of Sirach.

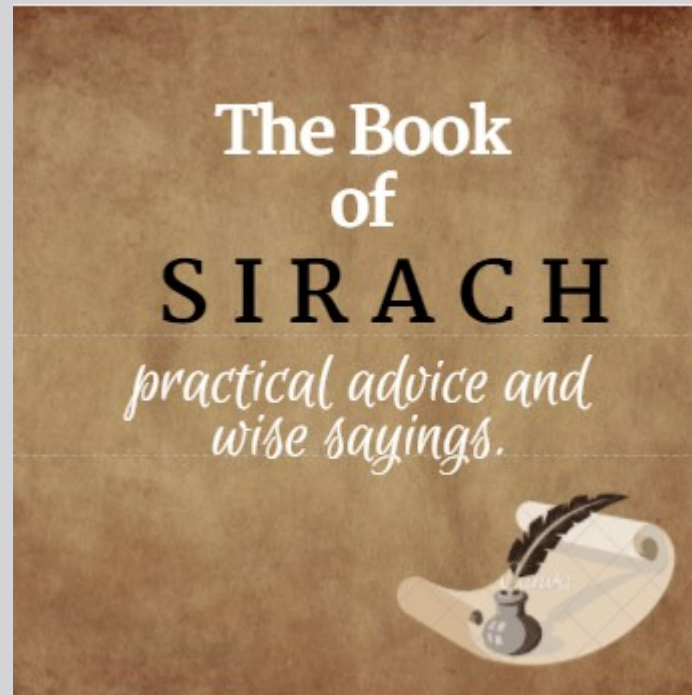


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Memory Verse: “Fight to the death for truth and the Lord God will fight for you” (Sirach 4:28).



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The Book Of Joshua The Son Of Sirach

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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/Grade08.pdf>