

# 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 Social Injustice

## Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 1**

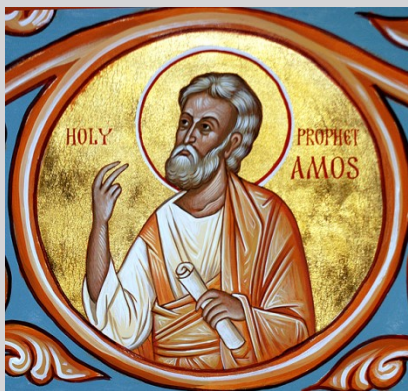
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- St. John the Baptist called people to treat one another with justice.
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- His family was a poor family and He learned to work as a carpenter. His disciples were of the poorest classes of society.
- St. John Chrysostom stood by the poor and the needy. St. Basil the great called the rich to care for the poor.

# Word Bank

- **Role**



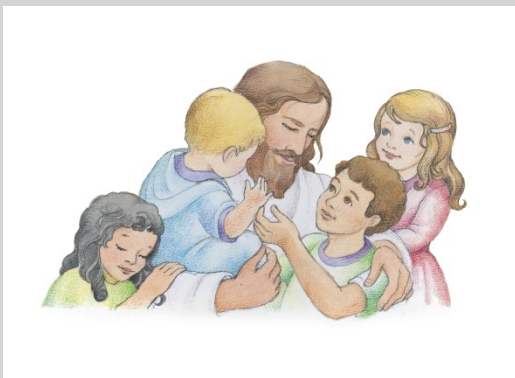
- **Amos the Prophet**



- **St. John the Baptist**



- **Care**



- **St. Joseph the Carpenter**



- **St. John Chrysostom**



# Objective: The role of the Christian in Society.



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**Memory Verse: “But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everlasting stream” (Amos 5:24).**



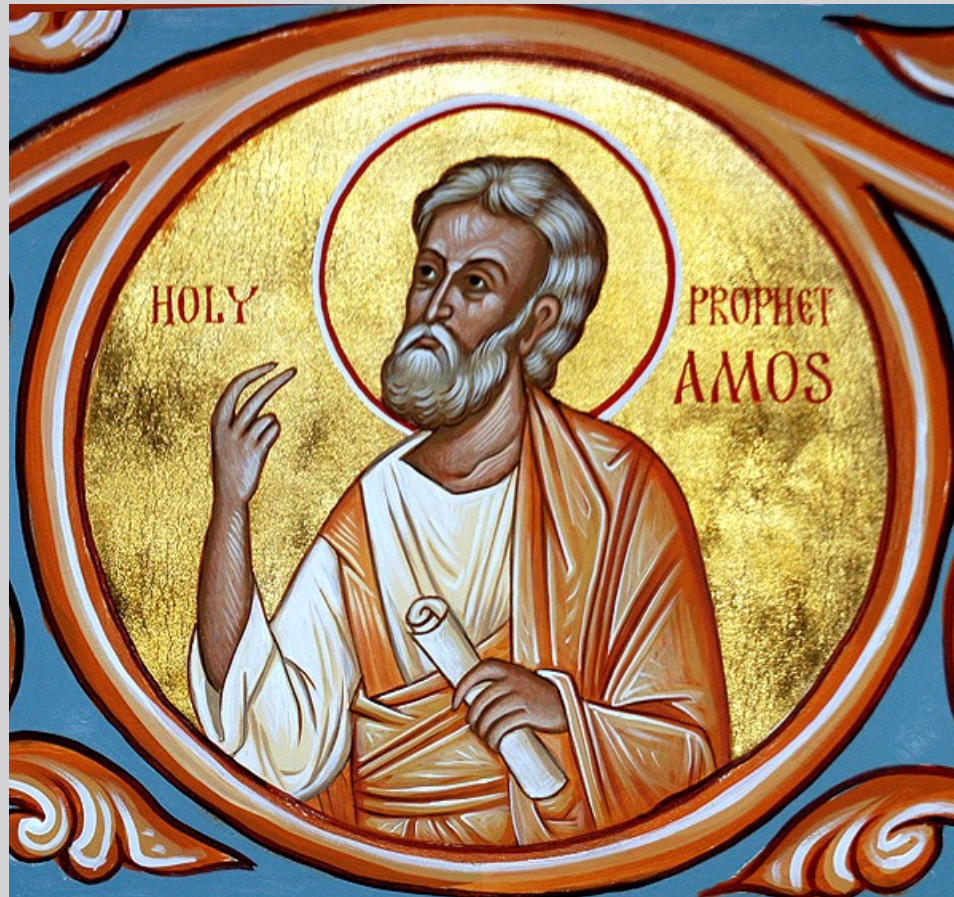
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# Social

# Injustice

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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>