

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 Love is the Greatest Gift

Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 3**
 - Love is the greatest virtue. You need to train yourself and practice love in your life.
 - In the epistle to the Corinthians, St. Paul promised the importance of gifts in the church.
 - Our faith in God is based on God's love. Without love there is no faith nor is there hope.
 - There are three kinds of love in our life. 1. passion of the flesh. 2. mutual. 3. spiritual (Agape).
 - Love is patient and kind. We have to be kind to the weak.
 - Love does not envy. We have to bless the gifts of others.

Word Bank

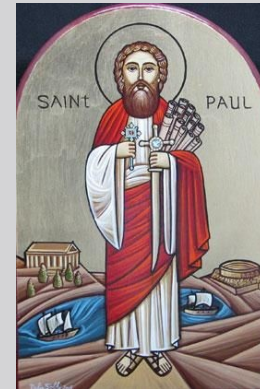
- Love



- Practice



- St. Paul



- Faith



- Agape



- Kind



Objective: Love is the greatest gift of practicing true love.



**Memory Verse: “Love never fails”
(1 Corinthians 13: 8).**



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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>