### Sunday School Grade 12 A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. 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 Monasticism Lessons for the Great Lent

### Lesson Outline: Week 1

- Early Christians modeled their life after Jesus Christ. They chose the monastic life.
- The word monk in Arabic is "Raheb". Raheb means fear of God.
- Life of monasticism means virginity, asceticism, solitude, poverty, deprivation and obedience.
- Monasticism is a form of sacrificing themselves without shedding blood.
- Some monks chose the hermit life. They prefer to live in a cave in solitude.
- Abba Paul the wanderer and Abba Anthony were hermits.

### **Word Bank**

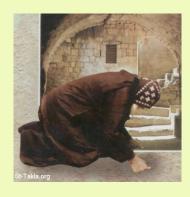
Jesus Christ



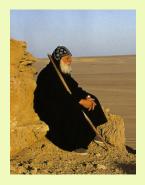
Solitude



Abba Paul



Abba Anthony

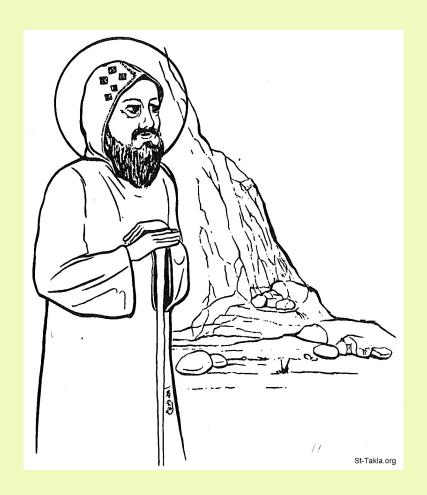


Cave



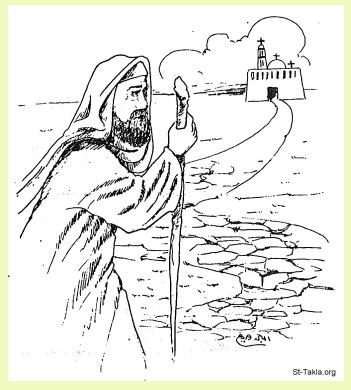


## Objective: To get acquainted with the sublimity of monastic life

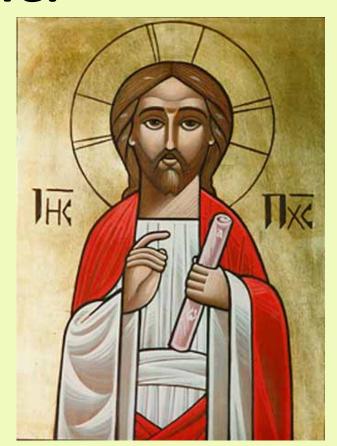


Memory Verse: "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, ...follow Me". (Matthew

19:21).



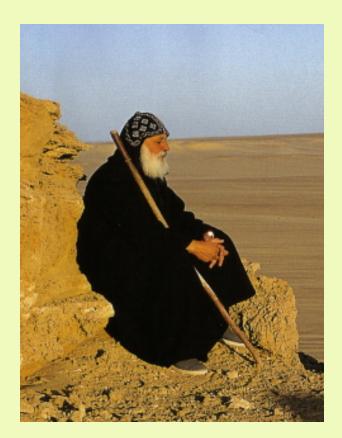
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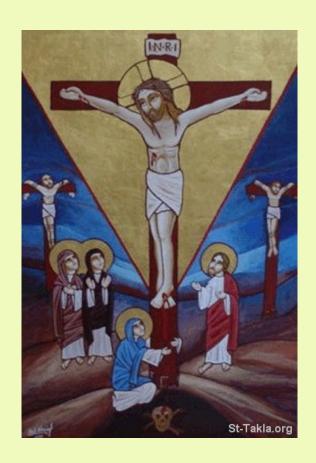
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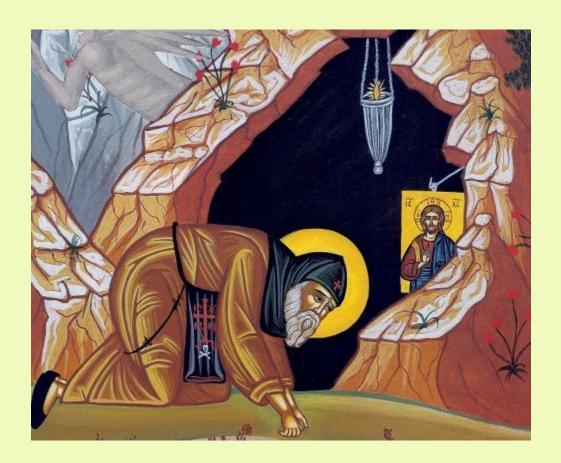
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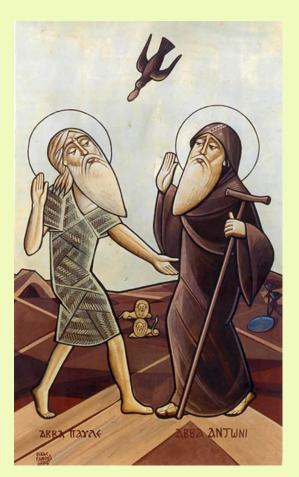
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### Monasticism Lessons for the Great Lent

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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/Grade12.pdf