

Sunday School Grade 10

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 Role of Women in the Church (Old Testament)

Lessons for the Pentecost

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**
 - The Old Testament gives a prominent place to the character, leadership, and service of many women. Like Ruth, Esther and Judith.
 - Miriam, the sister of Moses, was called a prophetess. Deborah is called a prophetess and also a judge in Israel.
 - Judith is another widow in the Old Testament, who saved Israel from their enemy through her wisdom and courage.
 - Women were free to approach God in praying just as the men. Like Hannah, Rebecca and Rachel.
 - They were not permitted to serve as priests. This was never interpreted to mean that they were less than full members of the worshiping community.
 - Esther teaches us about a woman's responsibility in God's plan. Ruth and Naomi displayed love, generosity, chastity, and the desire to worship the God of Israel.

Word Bank

- Ruth



- Mariam



- Judith



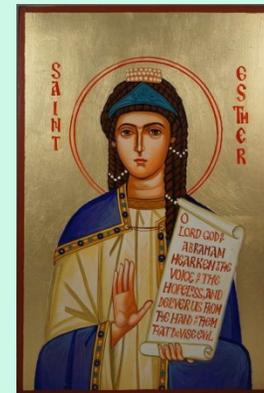
- Hannah



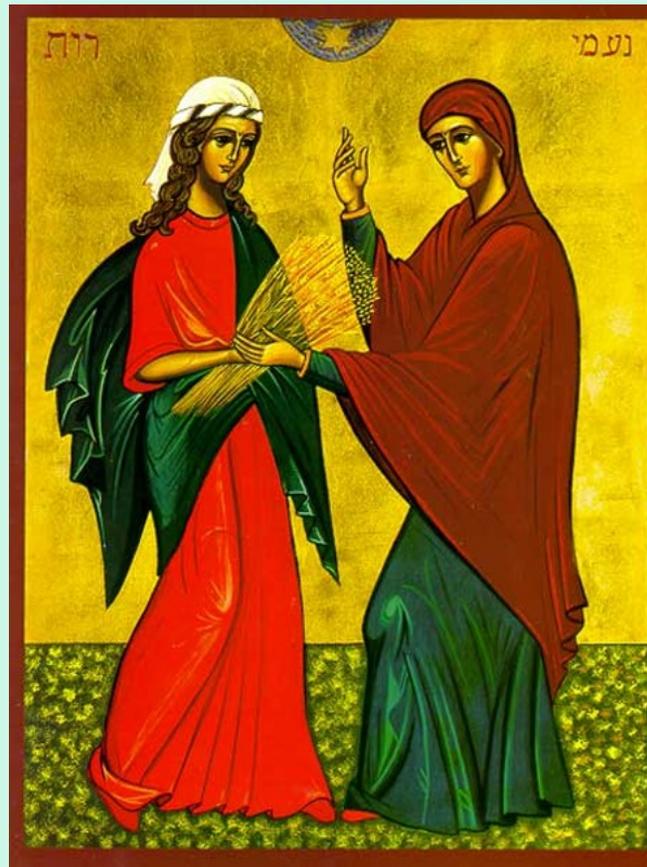
- Rebecca



- Esther



Objective: To study the role of women in the Old Testament. To learn about some of the important female characters in the Old Testament.



Memory Verse: “Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God” (1 Corinthians 4:1).



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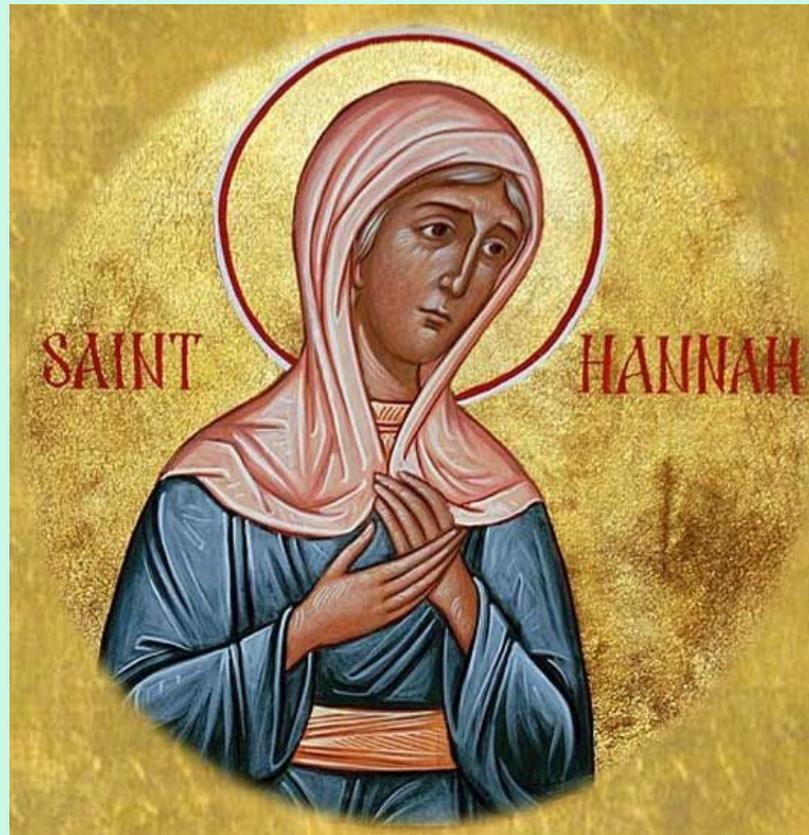
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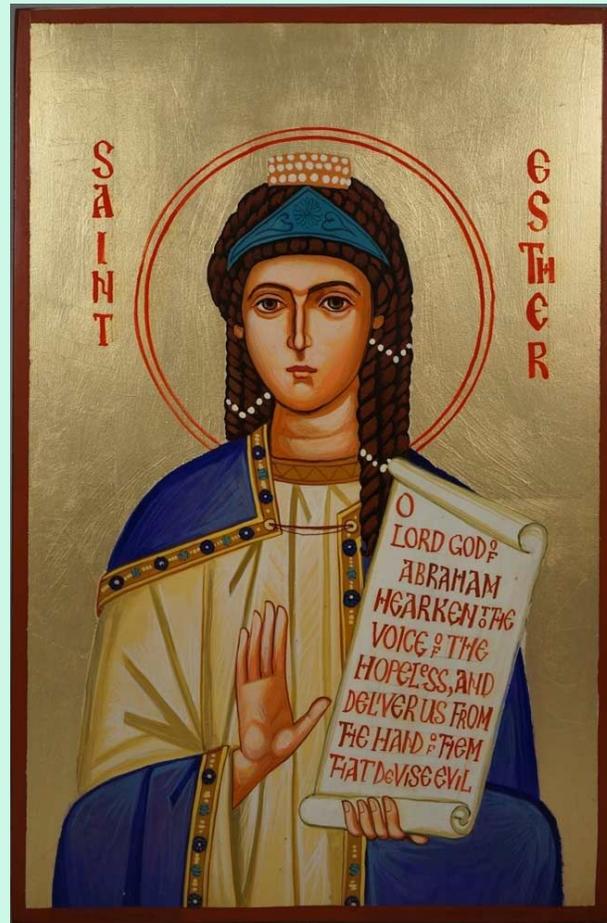


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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade10.pdf>