

# Sunday School Grade 11

## 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 Abortion

## Lessons for the Month of November

### • Lesson Outline: Week 2

- The Church believes that life begins at the moment of conception. The fetus is regarded as a living being who has the right to both life and dignity.
- From a Biblical and Christian perspective, abortion is an interruption of human life. It is therefore considered murder.
- Women have used abortion to terminate unwanted pregnancies. Example an unmarried woman, who may have sinned with a man and became pregnant.
- We should not commit a sin in order to hide another one.
- The birth of a sick child is an ordeal that the family will have to cope with. The Family needs very strong and deep faith and support from others.
- Woman's freedom of choice should be prior to conception and not after.

# Word Bank

- **Fetus**



- **Life**



- **Unwanted**



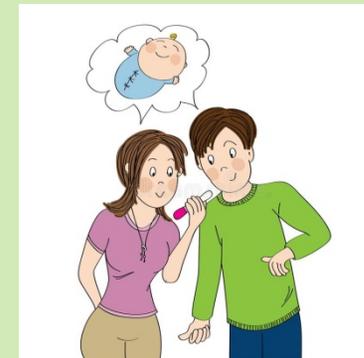
- **Abortion**



- **Support**



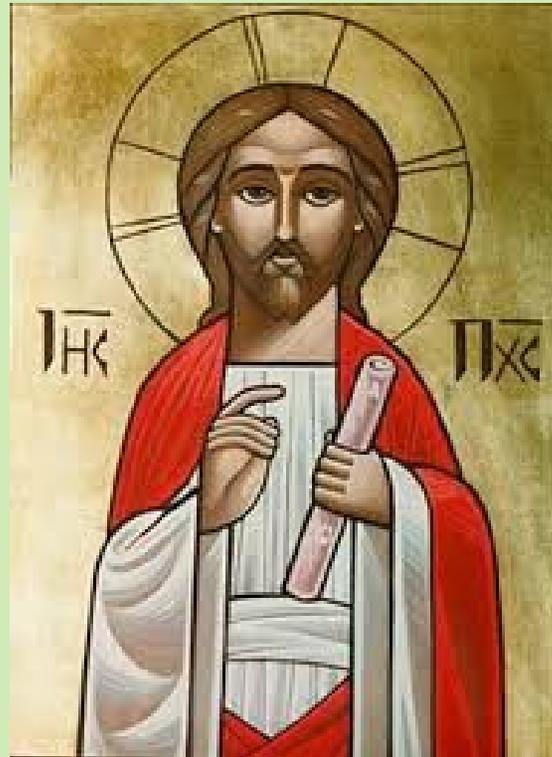
- **Choice**



**Objective: To understand the position of the Orthodox Church regarding abortion. To know how to react towards the different opinions in the society regarding abortion.**



**Memory Verse: “Can a moral be more righteous than God” (Job 4:17).**



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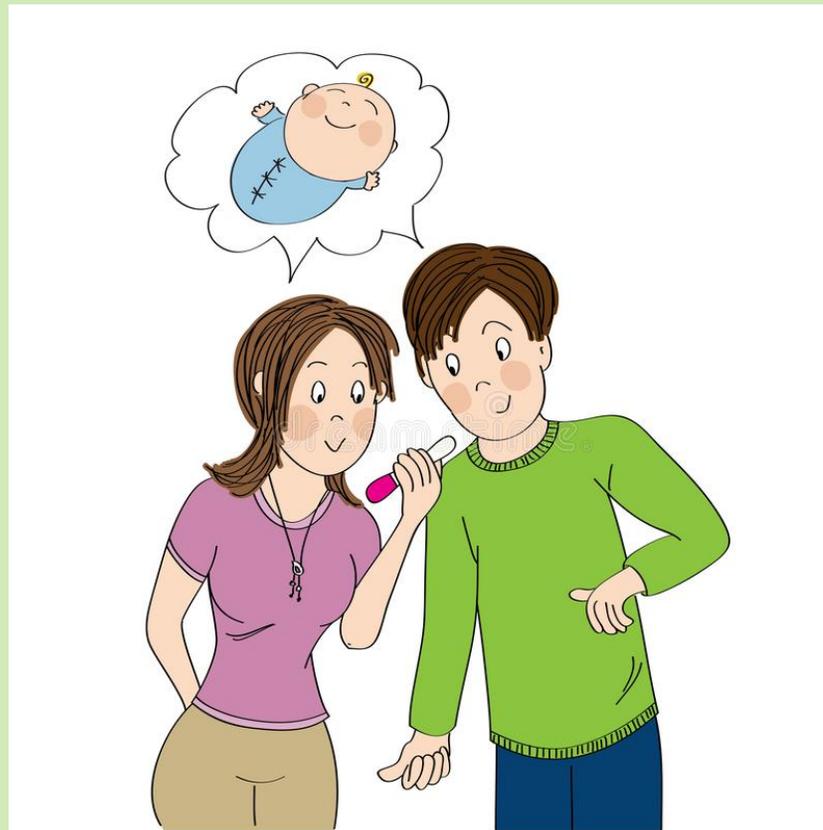


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# Abortion

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- **Conclusion**
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  - We should not commit a sin in order to hide another one.
  - The birth of a sick child is an ordeal that the family will have to cope with. The Family needs very strong and deep faith and support from others.
  - Woman's freedom of choice should be prior to conception and not after.
- 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/Grade11.pdf>