

# Sunday School Grade 9

## 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 The Ten Commandments Third: You Shall Not Take the Name of The Lord Your God in Vain

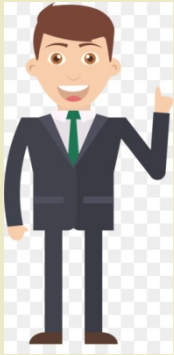
## Lessons for the Month of October

- **Lesson Outline: Week 2**

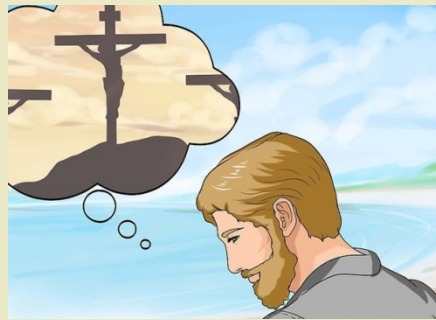
- The Lord allowed an oath by the Lord when there were no witnesses in the Old Testament. It was dangerous to lie or to take the name of the Lord in vain.
- The Lord does not allow us to swear by His name at all. We should venerate and honor His name.
- God alone owns everything so He alone has the right to swear. The Lord's name is light and love.
- We have to glorify the Holy Name and give it due respect and glorification.
- Teach yourself not to swear. The Holy Spirit will work within you. Use the words "believe me" instead.
- Using the Name of the Lord is a blessed means of calm life dominated by the Spirit of God.

# Word Bank

- Witness



- Honor



- Light



- Lord's Name



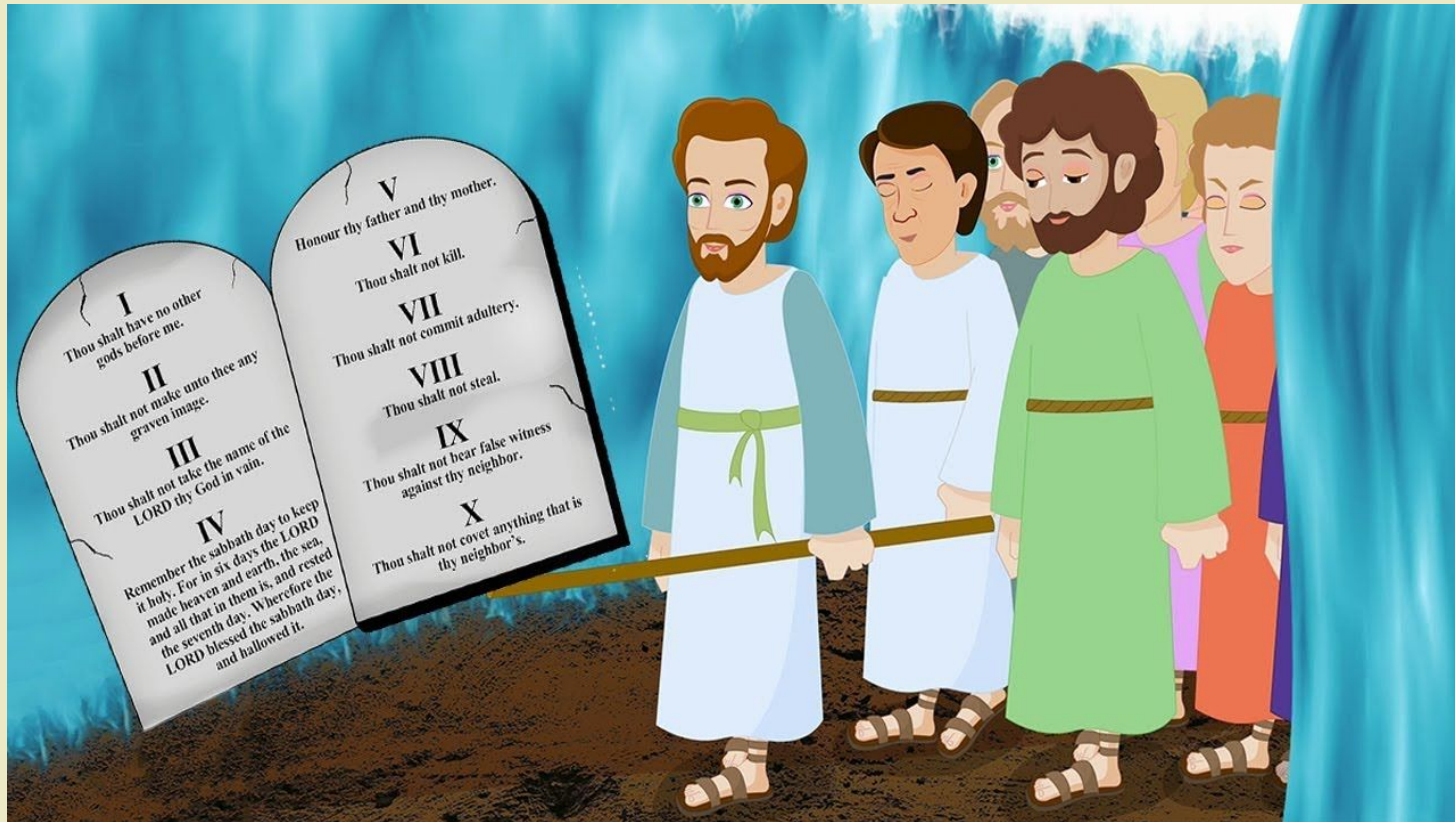
- Teach yourself



- Calm



# Objective: To learn not to swear at all and honor the name of the Lord.

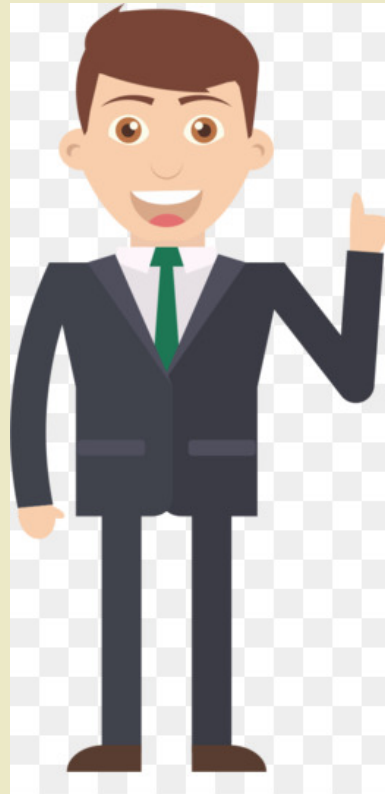


**Memory Verse: “You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain” (Exodus 20:7).**



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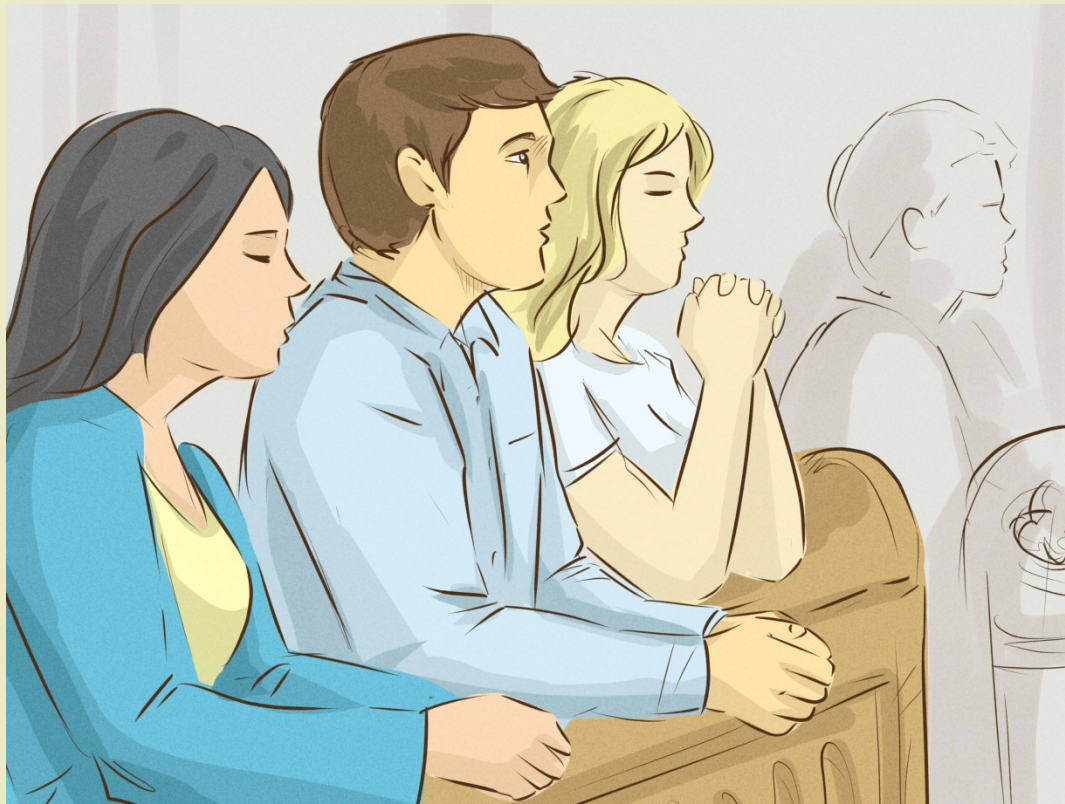
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# The Ten Commandments Third: You Shall Not Take the Name of The Lord Your God in Vain

## Lessons for the Month of October

- **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/Grade09.pdf>