

Sunday School Grade 11

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States

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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 Discipleship

Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 6**

- Characteristics of a disciple are: follow the Lord's teaching, love others, endurance and humility. And leave everything for His sake.
- The life of discipleship is through learning. Not just from studying words of the teacher, but also from their behavior and way of life.
- Even when they say nothing, we still absorb their way of life. St. Anthony used to learn from the life of the hermits by observing them.
- Just as we learn from people's virtues, we can also learn from their faults.
- Books can provide good guidance. However, the person must choose carefully the books which he reads and learn from.
- Discipleship is a continued process of learning from everything surrounding us. A disciple can even learn from nature, animals, death, and events.

Word Bank

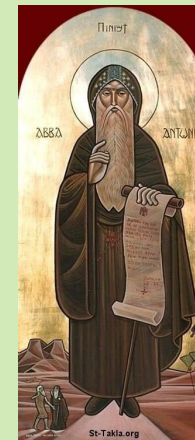
- Lord's Teaching



- Way of Life



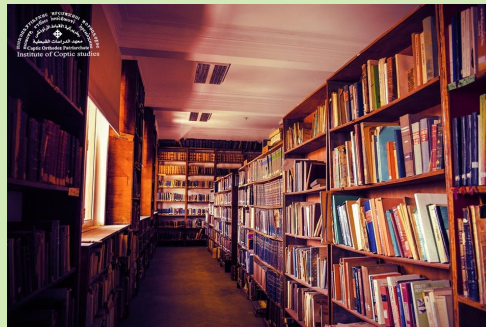
- Observe



- Faults



- Books



- Nature



Objective: To learn about discipleship and its importance. To learn the different forms of discipleship.



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Memory Verse: “Whoever does not bear his cross and follow me cannot be My disciple” (Luke 14:27).



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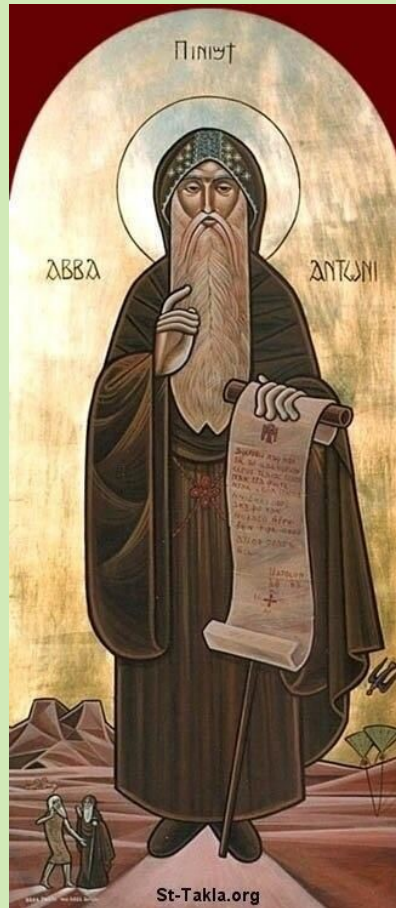


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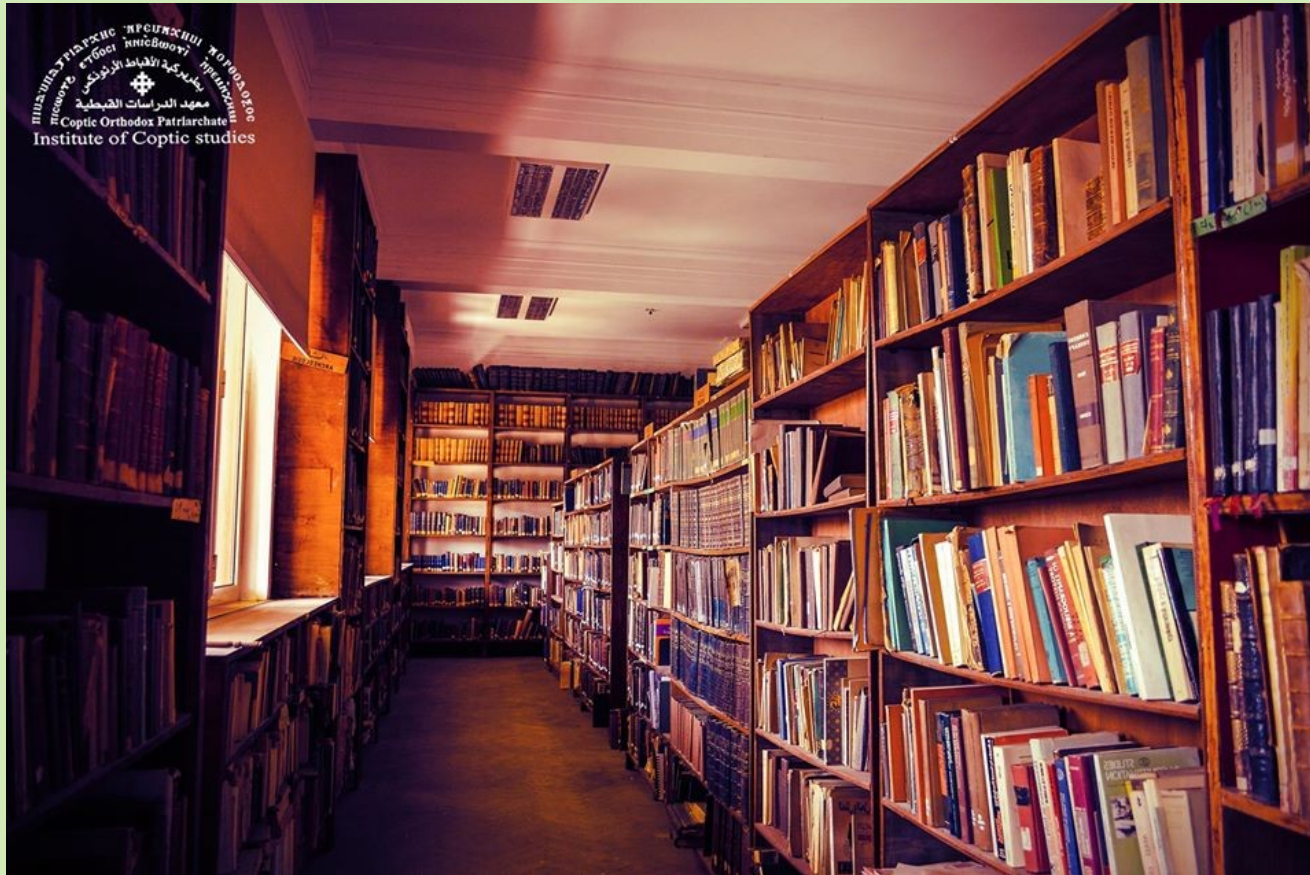
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Discipleship

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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/Grade11.pdf>