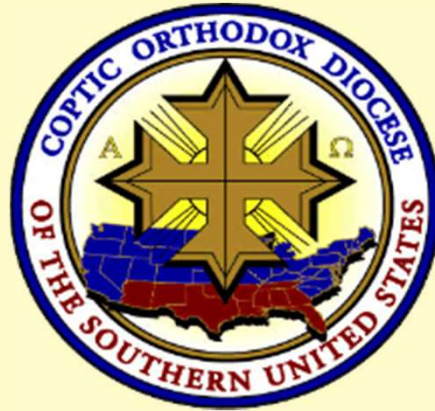


Sunday School Grade 0

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 Twelve Special Friends

Lessons for the Great Lent

- **Lesson Outline: Week 0**

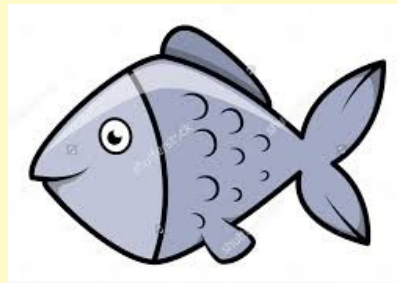
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- Jesus called James and John and they followed Him.
- Then Jesus saw Matthew who was collecting money. Jesus called him and he followed.
- Jesus chose more friends until He had 12 friends.
- They helped Jesus and followed him preach the word of God.

Word Bank

- Jesus Friends



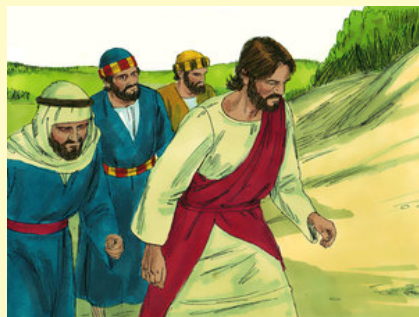
- Fish



- Money



- Follow



- Preach



- Fishing Boat



Objective: To teach the children about the twelve Disciples.



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Memory Verse: *“He gave them power”* *(Matthew 10:1)*

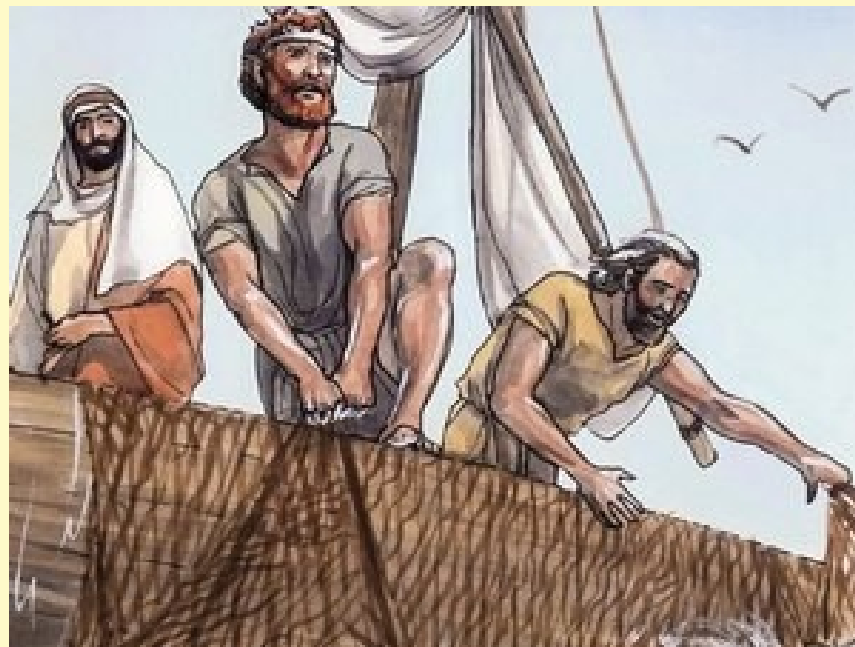


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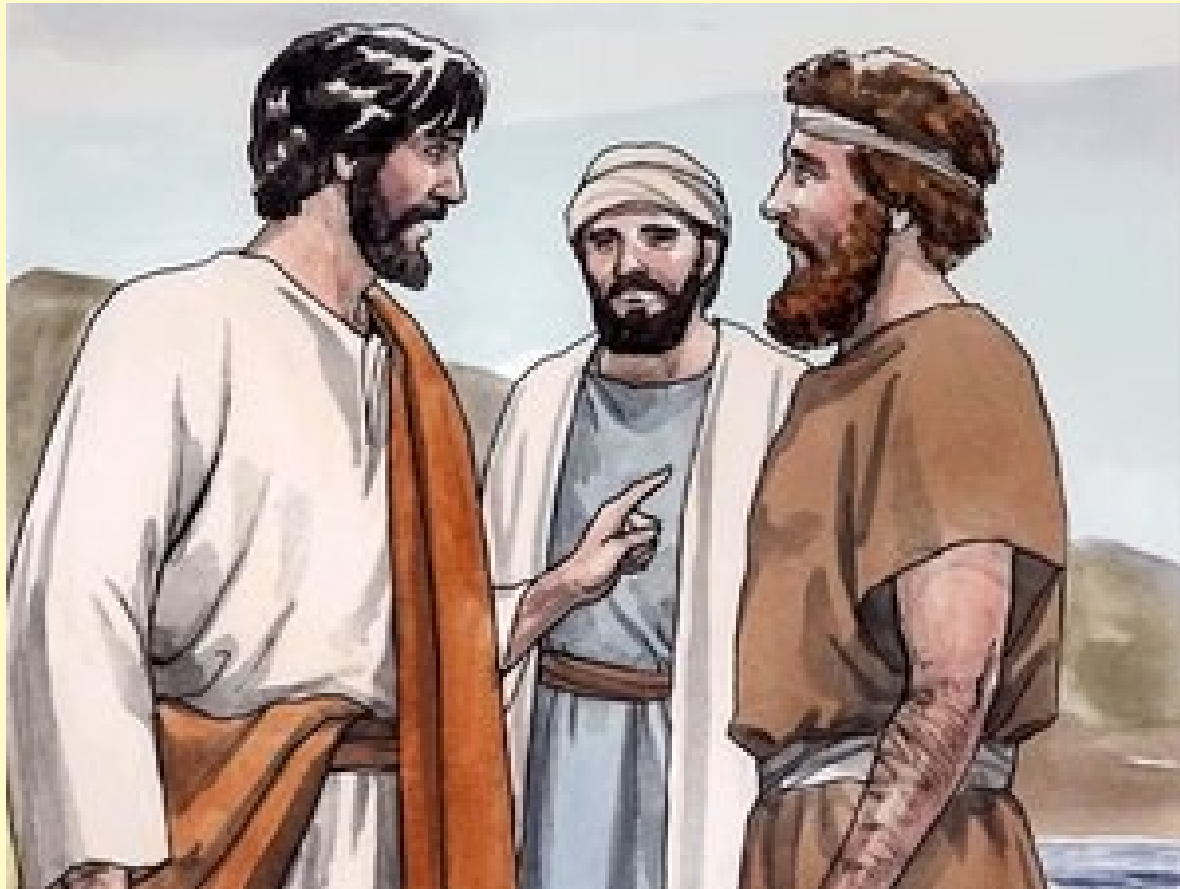


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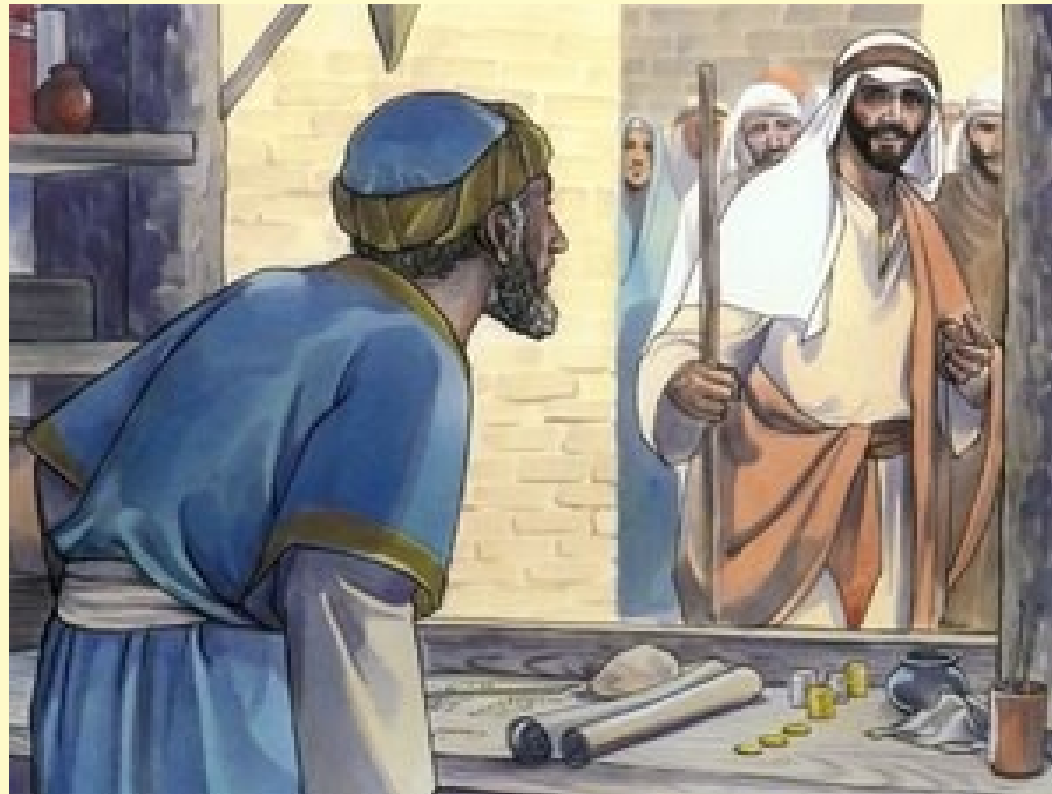


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The Twelve Special Friends

Lessons for the Great Lent

- **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/Grade00.pdf>