

Sunday School Grade 2

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 Using the Cross

Lessons for the Month of September

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- A new monk was being tested by the abbot to see if he was fit or not.
- He was very simple, sweet, clean, and tidy, but could not study anything.
- He only knew the Lord's prayer so the abbot was going to tell him to leave.
- The abbot had a dream. A group of devils were trying to make the new monk fall.
- They could not because they saw him repeatedly sign the cross.
- The abbot understood the dream and accepted the new monk.

Word Bank

- Tested



- Fall



- Tidy



- Sign



- Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer
Our Father who art in Heaven,
hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one,
through Christ Jesus our Lord.
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

- Accepted



Objective: To teach the children to love the cross and to be proud of it.



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**Memory Verse: “God forbid that I should glory except in the Cross of our Lord “
(Galatians 6:14).**



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The Lord's Prayer

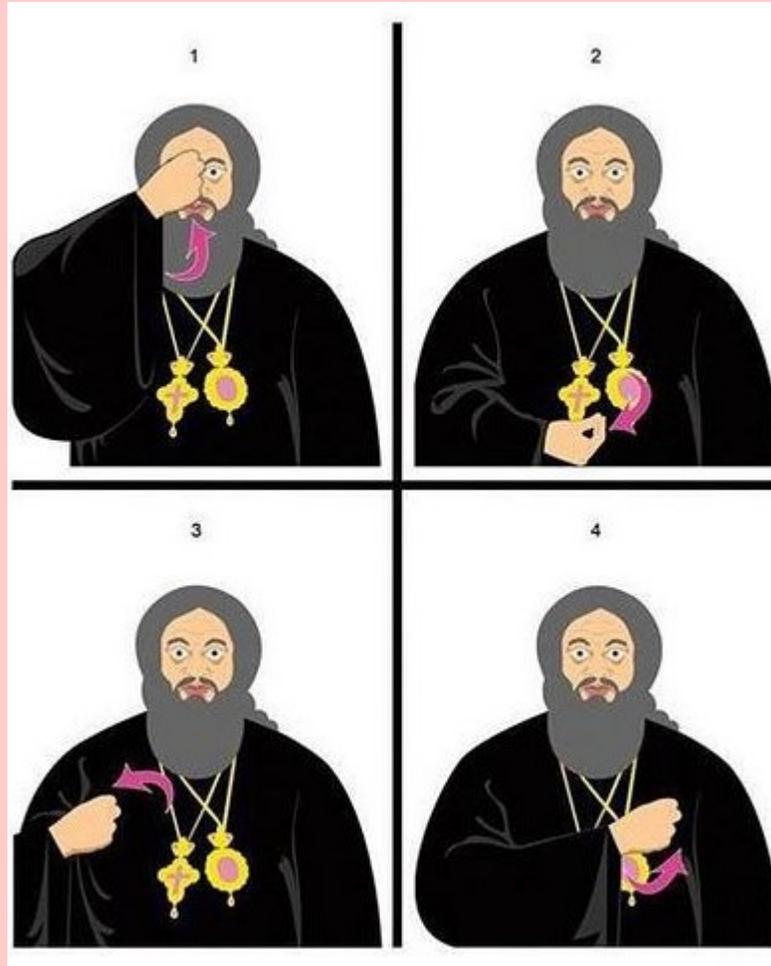
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Using the Cross Lessons for the Month of September

- **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/Grade02.pdf>