

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 - The Eighth And Ninth Commandment Lessons for the Month of November

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- People steal because they want to take what is not theirs. They do not want to toil as the Lord demands.
- An example of the corruption of those who steal is the Judas Iscariot. He carried the money bag and would help himself from it.
- Love that gathers the believers makes them refrain from stealing. They instead labor to give those in need.
- When a person bears false witness, he may cause the death of an innocent person. Example Christ accusers.
- It is a sin of telling a lie. It is also a slander. It is a sign of cowardice and weak personality. Example Joseph's brothers.
- We should be careful in speaking, listening and resorting to the original sources that are worthy of trust.

Word Bank

• Steal



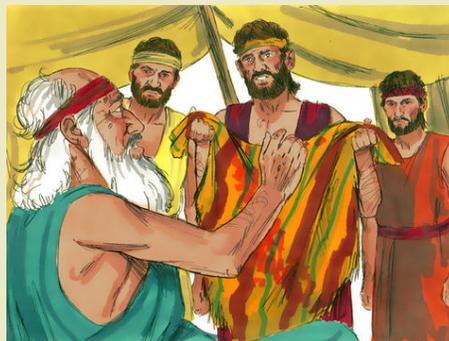
• Judas Iscariot • Give those in need



• False Witness



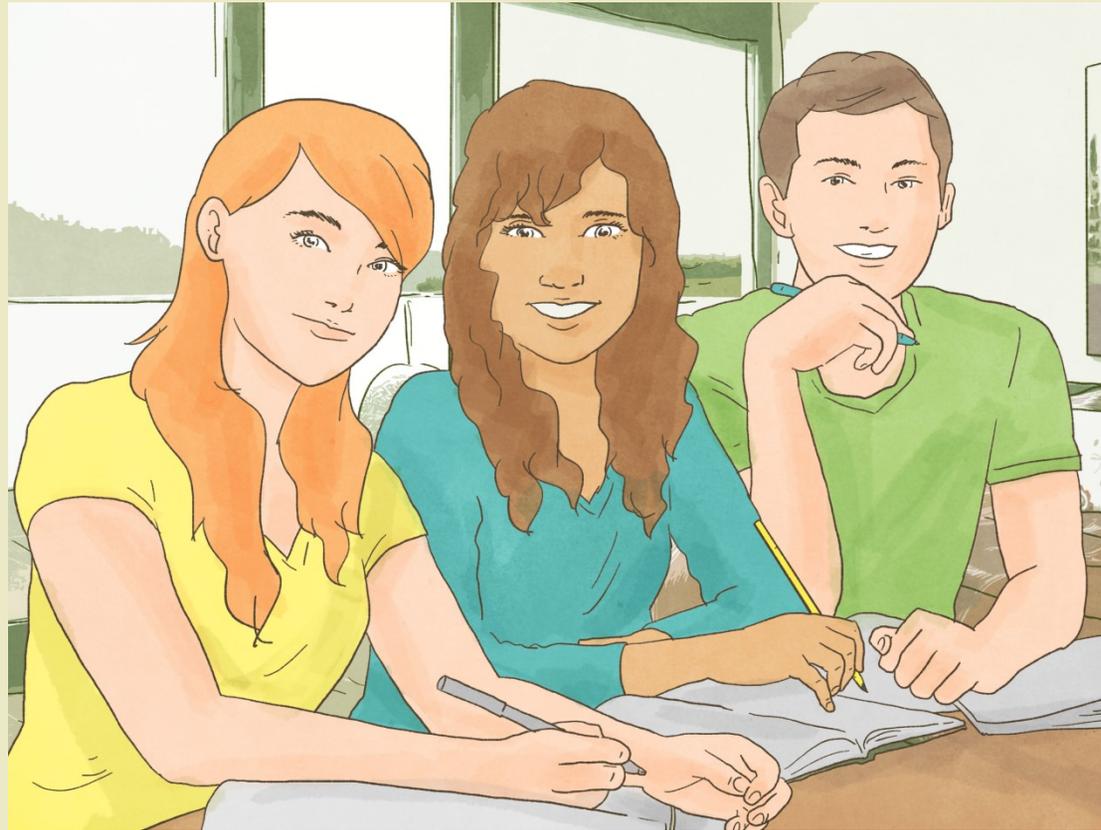
• Lie



• Listening

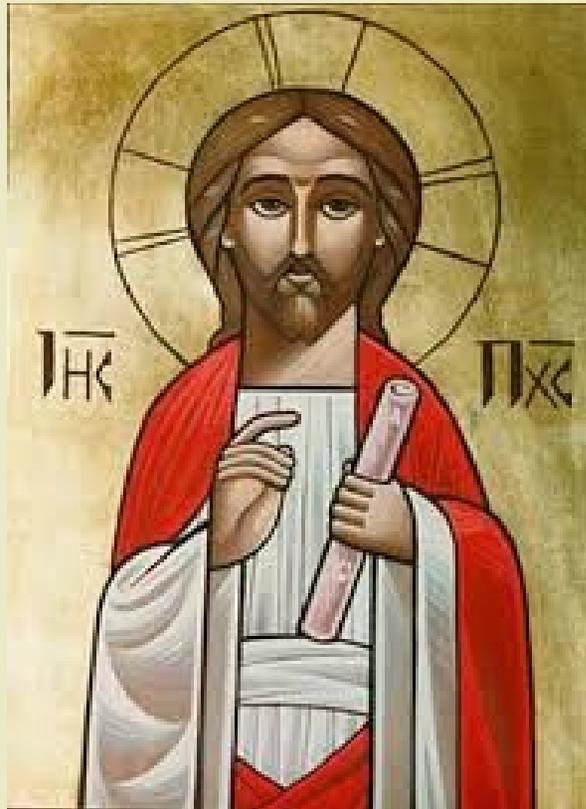


Objective: Development of the Spirit of Christian honesty and faithfulness in action, deeds and words.



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Memory Verse: “You shall not steal” (Exodus 20:15, Deuteronomy 5:19). “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor” (Exodus 20:16)



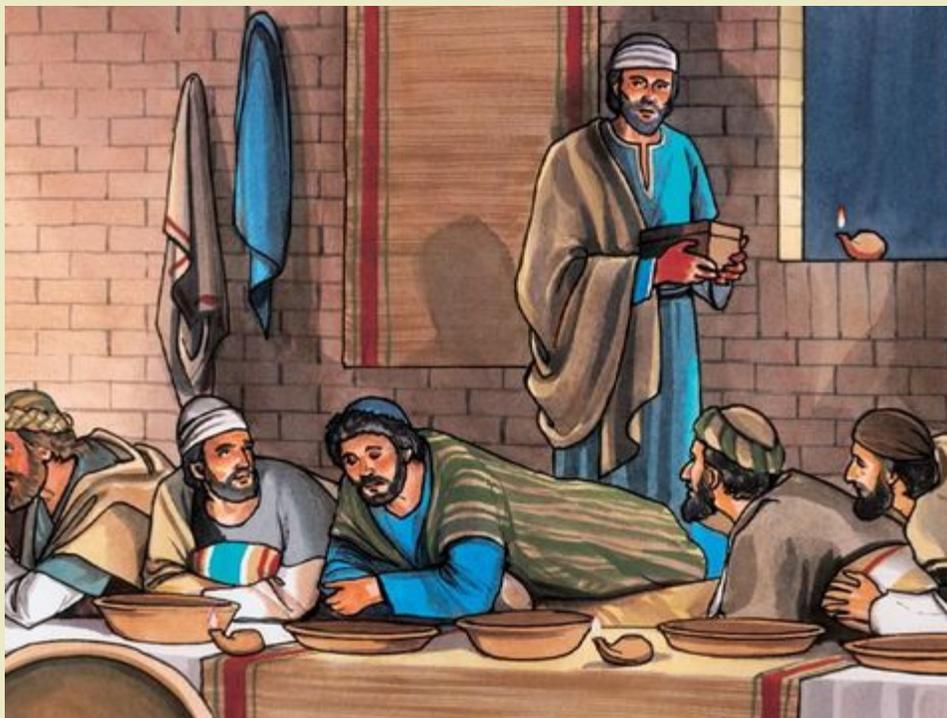
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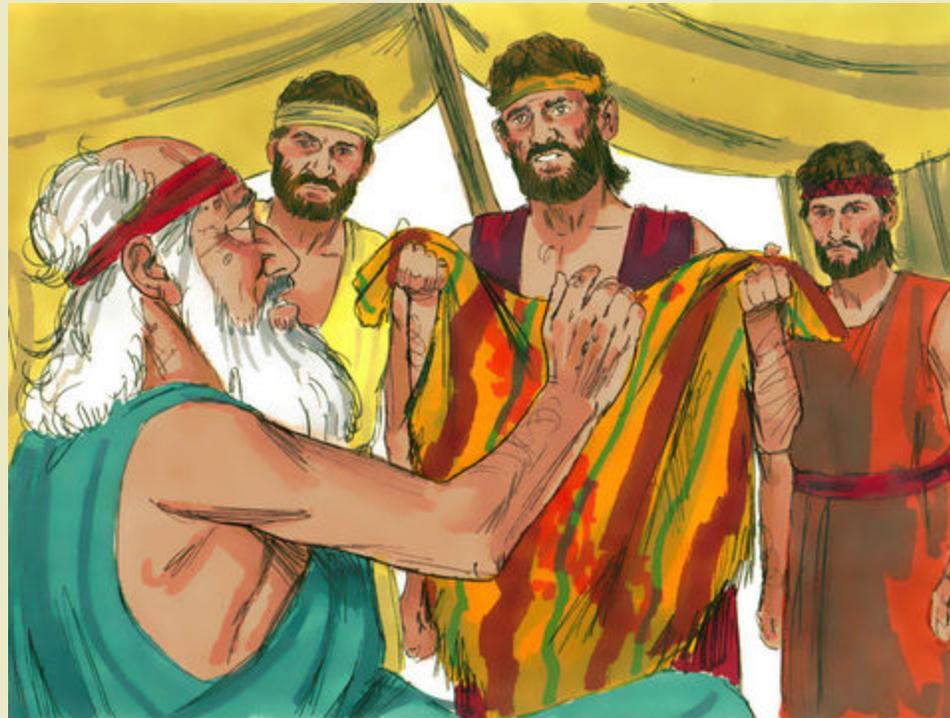


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The Ten Commandments - The Eighth And Ninth Commandment

Lessons for the Month of November

- **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>