

Sunday School Grade 12

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 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 Commitment in Spiritual Life

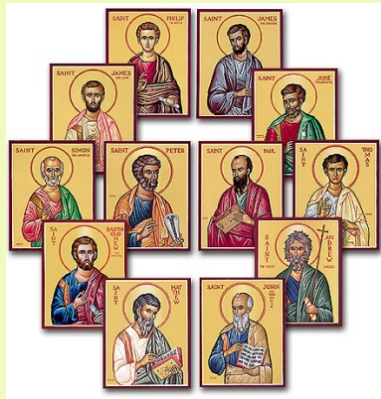
Lessons for Filler Lessons

- **Lesson Outline: # 7**

- We always see four characteristic features in the spiritual life of the saints. Seriousness in spiritual life leads to commitment and commitment leads to success.
- First point is a clear goal. When we do not have a clear goal, we are lost and confused.
- The church martyrs had a clear goal. Their goal is to live with Christ. Martyrdom means the “vision” or the “revelation”.
- Second point is persistence. St. Anthony’s persistent is living with Jesus Christ no matter the devil discouragement.
- The third point is putting effort in it and exerting oneself to keep it burning with holy fire. Spiritual life is a living translation to love and feelings for God.
- The fourth and final point is particularity. We must be particular in our free time, senses, thoughts, and friends.

Word Bank

- Commitment



- Goal



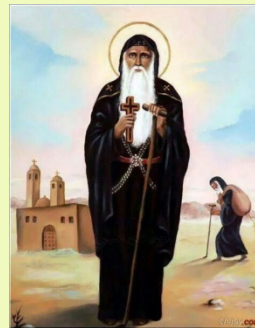
- Martyrs



- Persistence



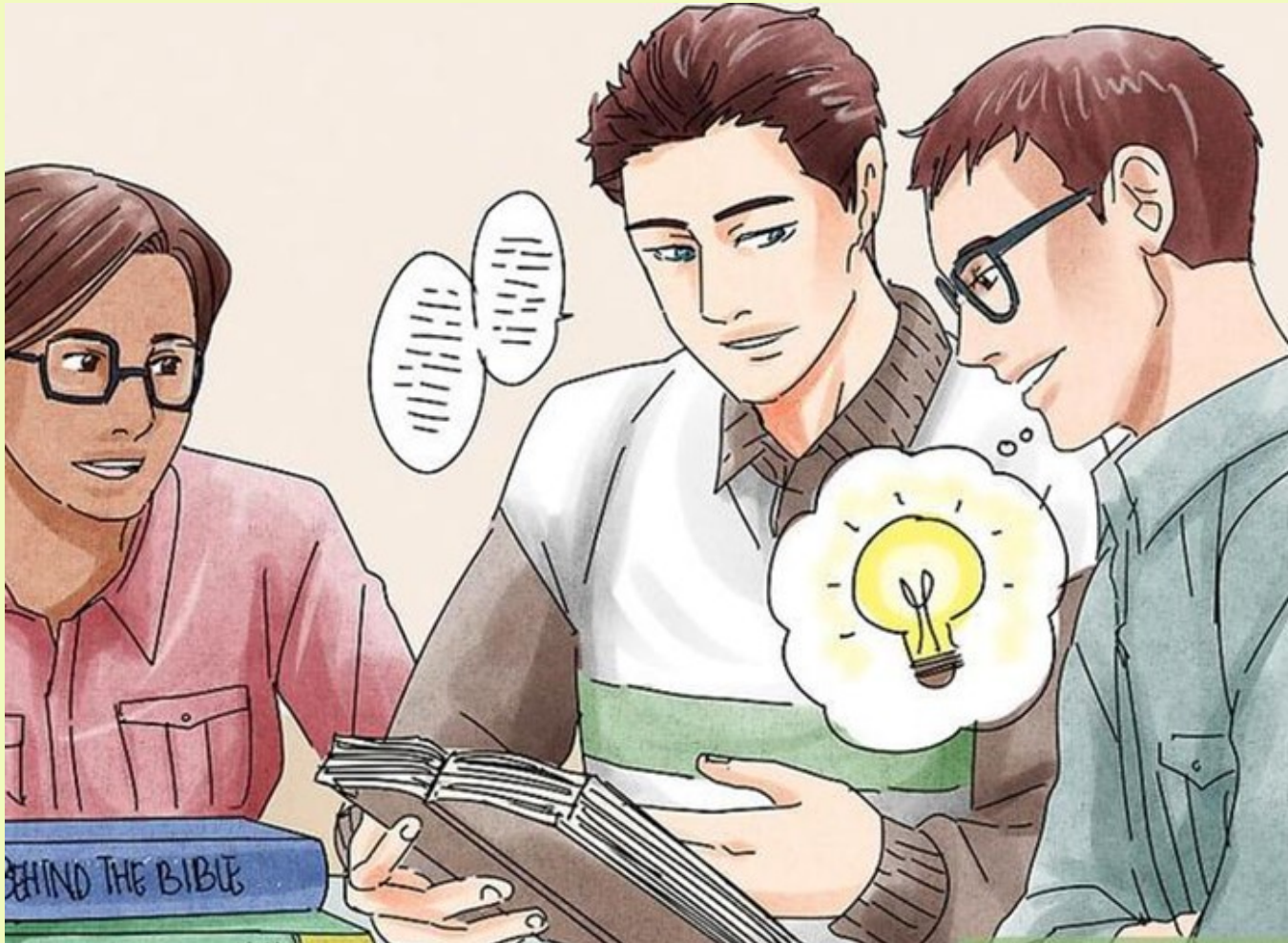
- Putting effort



- Particularity



Objective: Commitment (seriousness) in Spiritual Life.

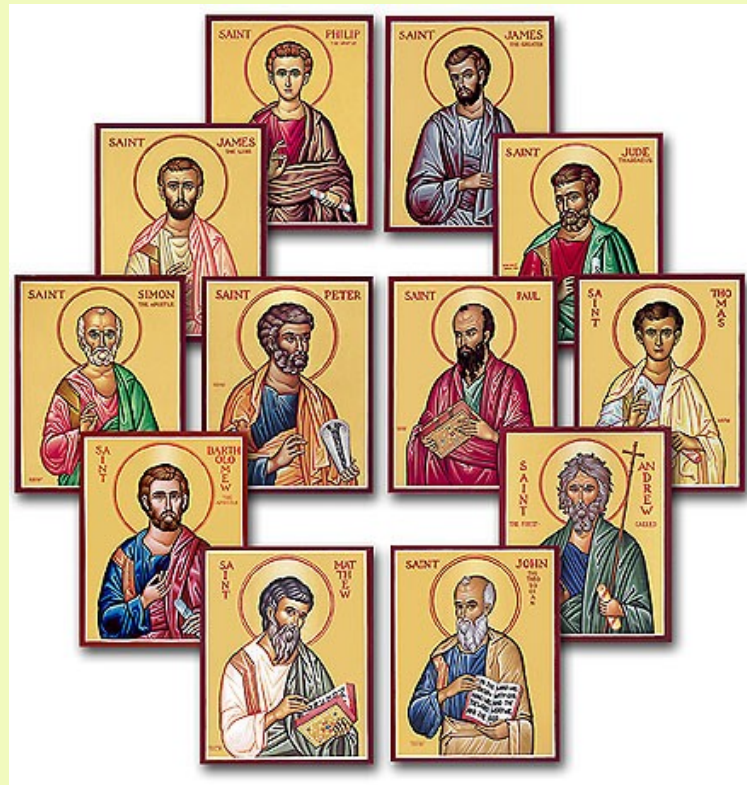


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Memory Verse: “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: For Your sake we are killed all day long” (Romans 8:35,36).



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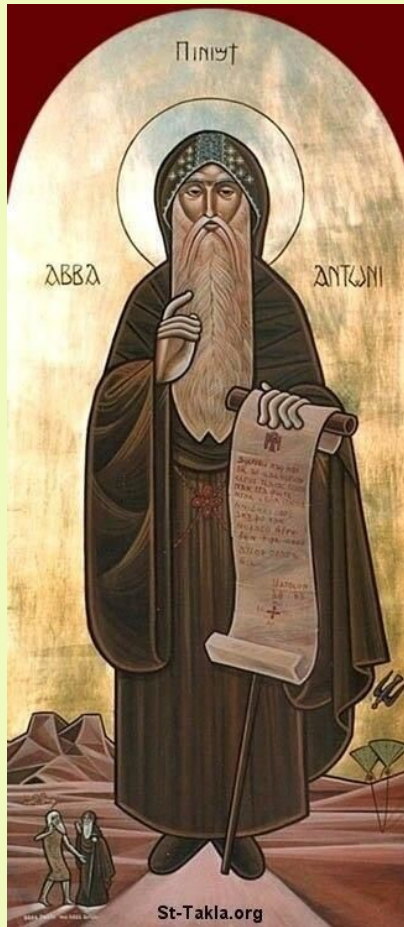
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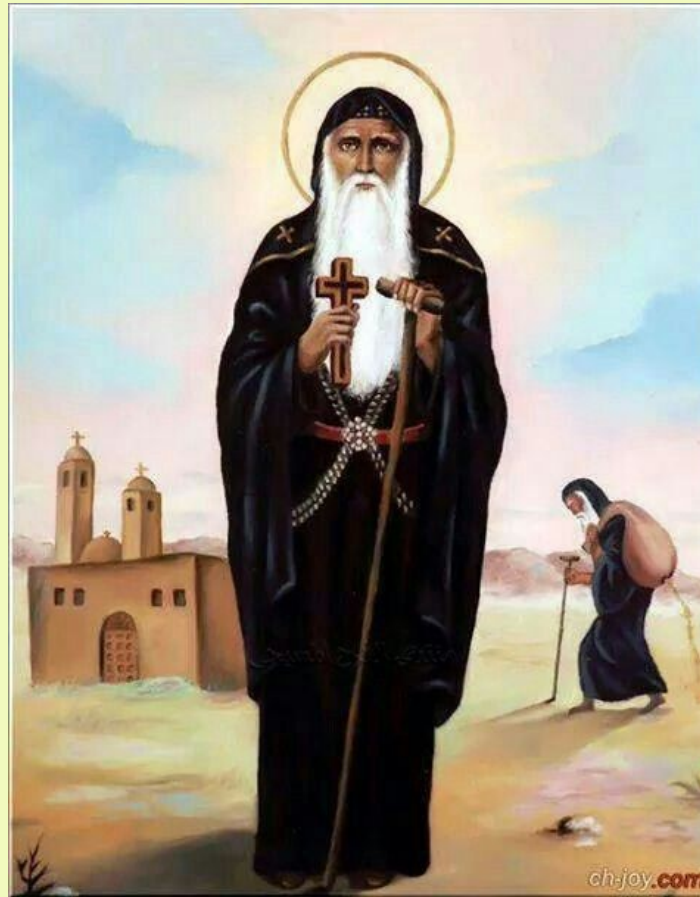
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Commitment in Spiritual Life

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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/Grade12.pdf>