



St. Philopateer Coptic Orthodox Church of Dallas  
5th Grade - Week 4 - January

**ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT**

References:

- Coptic Church Reviewll Volume 1, No. 4, pp. 166-167
- Coptic Church Reviewll Volume 15, No. 1,2
- Life of Antony, ll by St. Athanasius
- The Lives of the Fathers, Martyrs, and other Principle Saintsll by the Rev. Alban Butler Volumes 1, 2 & 3

Verse: “..If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me..” Matthew 19:21

Please write briefly about the following topics....

Monasticism...

Founder of Monasticism...

Origin and background of him...

The Gospel reading that changed his life...

His decision regarding the monastic life...

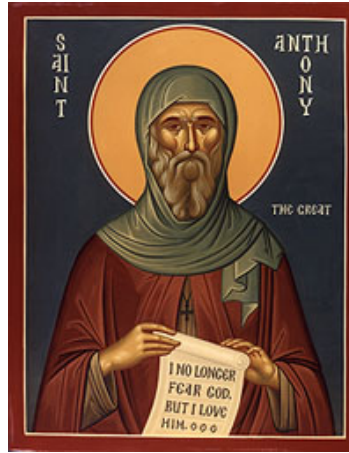
St. Athanasius the Apostolic, Pope of Alexandria...

The letter from emperor Constantine...

The devilish trials toward Abba Anthony...

His visit to St. Paul, the first Hermit...





**From the sayings of St. Anthony The Great:**

+ *St. Anthony said, 'I saw the snares that the enemy spreads out over the world, and I said groaning, "What can get through from such snares?" Then I heard a voice saying to me, "Humility."*

+ *"Reject pride, and consider everyone more righteous than yourself."*

+ *When St. Anthony entered to the internal desert, the demons watched him dauntingly, saying, "O You young of age and mind, how did you dare to enter our territory, as we have never seen a human before you." And they all started to fight him. He said to them, "O strong ones, what do you want from me, the weak; And who am I so that you all gather to fight me. Don't you know that I am ashes and dust, and unable to fight the smallest in you." And he lay on the ground, shouting to God, "O God, help me, and strengthen my weakness. Have mercy on me, as I sought after you. Do not leave me; and do not let those who think that I am something overcome me. O God, You know that I am unable to fight the smallest of these." When the demons heard this prayer full of life and humility they fled away, and did not dare to approach to him.*

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