## 8th Grade Summer Bible Project

This summer, we will be focusing on the book of Psalms. The book of Psalms is a collection of prayers and worship songs of the Hebrew people. They were sung in both the Old and New Testament times. The Psalms are significant in that they deal with many of the same problems and situations we find ourselves in today. They teach us how to talk to God and to rely on Him when things don't make sense. The Psalms have encouraged me and strengthened my faith many times and I pray that they can do the same for you. I have collected a few of my favorites for you to read and meditate on over the summer. You will read the Scripture passage (KJV), and answer a few questions about each one.

#### **Instructions:**

Each week, read through the listed passage in KJV. Write out the questions and answer each one in a notebook. 1-2 sentences minimum for each question. Include pictures or drawings that are relevant to the Scripture for the week. I have attached a rubric that explains how I will be grading the assignment.

#### Week 1: Psalm 1

- 1. What does this Psalm say about the ungodly man?
- 2. What does it say about the godly man?
- 3. What is chaff?
- 4. Explain verse 6
- 5. How does this impact our relationship with God?

## Week 2: Psalm 8

- 1. What is this Psalm about?
- 2. What question is being asked in verse 4?
- 3. Does the question ever get answered? If so, what is the answer?
- 4. Verse 9 ends the Psalm by praising God. Is this a good response? Why?

#### Week 3: Psalm 13

- 1. Does God ever really forget his people? Why does the Psalmist think that He has?
- 2. What is this psalm about?
- 3. Why is the Psalmist crying out to God?
- 4. As the author prays to God, his tone changes. How does he end the Psalm? (vs. 5-6)
- 5. What does this teach us about how we can approach God?

#### Week 4: Psalm 14

- 1. What does the fool say in his heart?
- 2. Look at Romans 3:10-12. Do you see any similarity between these two passages? Explain.
- 3. How does vs. 7 point to Jesus?

# Week 5: Psalm 20

- 1. What is this Psalm about?
- 2. In verse 6, what is significant about the Lord's salvation
- 3. Verse 7 is important. What do some put their trust in? What do God's people put their trust in?

# Week 6: Psalm 32 - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqvNIraHJRQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqvNIraHJRQ</a>

- 1. What is this Psalm about?
- 2. According to verse 5, what does God do when we confess our sins to Him?
- 3. According to verse 7, what is God for us in times of trouble?
- 4. Verse 10 compares the wicked and those who put their trust in the LORD. What is the difference?
- 5. How does verse 11 conclude the Psalm?

#### **Week 7:** 107

- 1. What are some of the phrases that get repeated throughout this Psalm? Why do you think that is?
- 2. What kind of situations were people in before they cried out to God? How did they end up in those situations?
- 3. Did God rescue everyone who called out to Him for help?
- 4. What are your thoughts on this psalm?

This is my favorite Psalm. It has encouraged me time and time again. It shows not only God's ability to save, but his willingness to do so. I pray it will encourage you this summer.

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Followed directions	Student followed directions completely	Directions were mostly followed	Directions were barely followed	Directions were not followed at all.
Complete sentences	All Questions were answered in complete sentences	Most questions were answered in complete sentences	Some Questions were answered in complete sentences	None of the questions were answered in complete sentences
All questions answered	All of the Questions were answered and answered well	All questions were answered, some answers were lacking.	most questions were answered, some answers were lacking.	Many questions left unanswered / obvious minimum effort
Biblical understanding	Student clearly shows Biblical understanding in the way He or She answers questions	Student mostly understands	Biblical understanding is lacking	Understanding is lacking / student did not read the verses.