

7th Grade Summer Bible Project 2026-2027

Every year, students at SMCA are required to do a summer Bible project. I've designed this one to be more of a Bible Study of Psalm 119. This assignment must be done in the **King James Version of the Bible (KJV)**. *I would like the assignment to be typed* as it will be turned in through Google Classroom the second week of school.

*All of this work must be your own. No AI, no copy / pasting.

This assignment is designed to be done over the course of a few weeks throughout the summer, so take your time, pray, and spend the appropriate amount of time in the Word each week. The goal is for you to grow in your faith and understanding of the Lord.

Week 1

Read through **Psalm 119:1-24**

1. What does it mean to keep the LORD's testimonies?
2. What does it mean to seek the LORD with your whole heart?
3. According to verse 9, how shall a young man cleanse his way?
4. In these verses, the author expresses his love for the Word of God. Why do you think this is so important to the author?

Week 2

Read **Psalm 119:25-48**

1. Read and explain verse 33-34
2. What is covetousness?
3. What does it mean in verse 37, "turn my eyes away from vanity"?
4. What does it mean to meditate on God's statutes?

Week 3

Read **Psalm 119:49-72**

1. Read and explain verses 52-56.
2. Read and explain verses 62-64
3. What does the author mean when he says it was good for him to have been afflicted?
4. Why would the author view the Word of God as more valuable than much gold and silver?

Week 4

Read **Psalm 119:73-96**

1. In verse 73, what does the author ask God for to learn God's commandments?
2. Read and explain verses 89-91.
3. According to verse 92, why is it important to love the Word of God?

Week 5

Read **Psalm 119:97-120**

1. What does the author compare the Word of God to in verse 103?
2. Does verse 105 sound familiar? Why do you think this is included in the pledge to the Bible?
3. Read vs 113. Explain the contrast between vain thoughts and the Word of God.
4. How does verse 114 describe God?

Week 6

Read **Psalm 119:121-144**

1. Read and explain verse 130. How does the word of God give light and understanding to the simple?
2. Notice the contrast described in verse 133. How can we implement this in our lives?
3. What is zeal? What does it mean in verse 139?

Week 7

Read **Psalm 119:145-176**

1. Explain verse 151.
2. Notice the contrast in verse 163. How can we implement this in our lives?
3. The final section is verses 169-176. What is the author asking God in this section?
4. The author of this psalm loved the LORD and shunned evil and that was made evident over these many verses. What are some ways we can have this mindset today?

| Criteria | Excellent (4 pts) | Proficient (3 pts) | Developing (2 pts) | Needs Improvement (1 pt) | Points Earned |
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| Scripture Engagement | Demonstrates deep understanding and accurate interpretation of Psalm 119; connects verses to broader biblical themes. | Shows solid understanding and mostly accurate interpretation; clear connection to Scripture. | Shows partial understanding; limited or surface-level interpretation. | Shows minimal understanding; inaccurate or disconnected from Scripture. | ___ / 4 |
| Completeness | All 7 weeks completed; every question answered in full sentences with supporting detail. | All 7 weeks completed; most questions answered thoroughly; minor omissions. | Several weeks or questions incomplete; answers lack detail. | Multiple weeks missing; incomplete or missing essential responses. | ___ / 4 |
| Thoughtfulness & Depth | Insightful, reflective, and well-reasoned answers showing spiritual growth and personal application. | Clear reflection and understanding; some analysis and personal insight. | Limited reflection; mostly restates Scripture without deeper thought. | Little reflection or effort; off-topic or superficial responses. | ___ / 4 |
| Writing & Presentation | Typed, well-organized, polished writing with excellent grammar, spelling, and formatting. | Typed, organized, minor grammar or spelling errors. | Typed but lacks structure; frequent errors reduce clarity. | Poorly organized or difficult to read; numerous errors. | ___ / 4 |
| Originality & Integrity | Entirely original work showing effort, honesty, and respect for academic integrity; no AI or copying. | Work appears original; demonstrates personal effort and integrity. | Some signs of imitation or lack of originality; needs stronger effort. | Clear evidence of copying or dishonesty; lacks integrity. | ___ / 4 |

Total Points: ___ / 20 **Comments:** _____