

8th 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 tPsalms. 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.

For the next few weeks, you will be reading the listed passage and answering the questions listed.

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 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqvNIraHJRQ>

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.

| 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 the Psalms; 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:** _____