

8th Grade Christian Studies—Mrs. Flicker
 Unit 2: What's Your Purpose? & Contemporary Issues
Memory Work



All verses are from the NIV Bible. The explanation found after each passage is from a version of the Bible called THE MESSAGE. For the weekly quizzes, students will say or write the entire passage by memory and provide the meaning in their own words.. The Scripture reference will be provided.

Each passage and its meaning will be included (fill-in-the-blank and short answer) in the final at the end of each trimester.

Quiz Date	Passage
<p>Wednesday Nov. 14, 2007</p>	<p>(Proverbs 3:5-6) “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.” 5-6Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track.</p> <p>(Psalm 46:10) “Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.” 10"Step out of the traffic! Take a long, loving look at me, your High God, above politics, above everything."</p>
<p>Thursday, Nov. 29, 2007</p>	<p>(James 1:2-3) “Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.” 2-4Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.</p> <p>(I Peter 4:10) “Each one of you should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.” 10-11Be generous with the different things God gave you, passing them around so all get in on it: if words, let it be God's words; if help, let it be God's hearty help. That way, God's bright presence will be evident in everything through Jesus, and he'll get all the credit as the One mighty in everything—encores to the end of time. Oh, yes!</p>
<p>Thursday, Dec. 6, 2007</p>	<p>(Matthew 19:26) “Jesus looked at them and said, ‘With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.’”</p> <p>23-24As he watched him go, Jesus told his disciples, "Do you have any idea how difficult it is for the rich to enter God's kingdom? Let me tell you, it's easier to gallop a camel through a needle's eye than for the rich to enter God's kingdom."</p> <p>25The disciples were staggered. "Then who has any chance at all?"</p> <p>26Jesus looked hard at them and said, "No chance at all if you think you can pull it off yourself. Every chance in the world if you trust God to do it."</p> <p>(2 Peter 3:9) “The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.” 8-9Don't overlook the obvious here, friends. With God, one day is as good as a thousand years, a thousand years as a day. God isn't late with his promise as some measure lateness. He is restraining himself on account of you, holding back the End because he doesn't want anyone lost. He's giving everyone space and time to change.</p>

<p>Thursday, Dec. 13, 2007</p>	<p>(Psalm 145:3) “Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.” 3 GOD is magnificent; he can never be praised enough. There are no boundaries to his greatness.</p> <p>(Romans 12:1) “Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.” 1-2 <i>So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him. Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out.</i></p>
<p>Thursday Dec. 20, 2007</p>	<p>(Luke 12:22-24) “Then Jesus said to His disciples, ‘Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn, yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than the birds!’” 22-24 <i>He continued this subject with his disciples. "Don't fuss about what's on the table at mealtimes or if the clothes in your closet are in fashion. There is far more to your inner life than the food you put in your stomach, more to your outer appearance than the clothes you hang on your body. Look at the ravens, free and unfettered, not tied down to a job description, carefree in the care of God. And you count far more.</i></p>
<p>Thursday Jan. 4, 2008</p>	<p>(Romans 6:23) “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” 23 <i>Work hard for sin your whole life and your pension is death. But God's gift is real life, eternal life, delivered by Jesus, our Master.</i></p>
<p>Thursday Jan. 10, 2008</p>	<p>(Jeremiah 1:5a, 7-8) “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart. . . . Do not say, ‘I am only a youth.’ You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you,’ declares the Lord.” 5 <i>Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you. 7-8 God told me, "Don't say, 'I'm only a boy.' I'll tell you where to go and you'll go there. I'll tell you what to say and you'll say it. Don't be afraid of a soul. I'll be right there, looking after you."</i></p>
<p>Thursday Jan. 17, 2008</p>	<p>(Philippians 4:6-7) “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” 6-7 <i>Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life.</i></p>
<p>Thursday Jan. 24, 2008</p>	<p>(I Timothy 4:4-5) “For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.” 4-5 <i>Everything God created is good, and to be received with thanks. Nothing is to be sneered at and thrown out. God's Word and our prayers make every item in creation holy.</i></p> <p>(Colossians 3:17) “Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” 17 <i>Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way.</i></p>
<p>Thursday Jan. 31, 2008</p>	<p>(Romans 8:31b, 38-39) “If God is for us, who can be against us? For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” 31 <i>With God on our side like this, how can we lose? Do you think anyone is going to be able to drive a wedge between us and Christ's love for us? There is no way! Not trouble, not hard times, not hatred, not hunger, not homelessness, not bullying threats, not backstabbing, not even the worst sins listed in Scripture. I'm absolutely convinced that nothing—nothing living or dead, angelic or demonic, today or tomorrow, high or low, thinkable or unthinkable—absolutely nothing can get between us and God's love because of the way that Jesus our Master has embraced us.</i></p>

