

Newsprint Scripture

What?

Read all about it!

Create a newspaper for teens in the 21st century that deals with the same ideas, themes and topics of your chosen epistle.

Your newspaper must include headlines, articles, and pictures, and have the look and feel of a newspaper.

Where?

You will be given class time to create and complete this project. Labs will be available.

However, time may be tight and you may have to use time outside of class or at home (bring a thumb drive).

How?

Summary of epistle - identify the theme, and significant verses

Devotional - choose an inspirational verse from the epistle. Then write a short devotional where you encourage your reader to put this verse into practice.

Dear “Abby” Letter and Response— write a letter to the Christian Abby that brings up one of the issues seen in the epistle. Then have Abby respond using scripture.

Historical Data— a map, figures, stats, interesting info about Paul, the city or life in 1st Century AD

Extras: Cartoon/Joke, pictures, obituaries, weather, advertisements

Why?

This project is to allow you to dive into scripture and transfer it into something new/ interesting / applicable. Your fellow students will receive a copy of your paper. You will inform / teach / enlighten / entertain your classmates with the important themes and topics of Paul’s epistles.

Be creative and be thoughtful. This assignment is for you to explore the Biblical text in a new way.

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



Eutychus fell asleep while listening to Paul preach
fell 2 floors to his death... BUT recovered becoming
the patron saint for those who sleep in church.
Acts 20:9-12

You can use any program you wish, Word, Publisher etc to create your newspaper. It must be exactly two sides long, on 8 1/2 x 11 paper. They will be printed in Black and White.

Due Friday, October 28th

Sample Forms

Summary of 1 Peter.

1 Peter is a letter in the Bible's New Testament. The author of the letter is Peter. Peter was a disciple (student) of Jesus. And Peter became a leader in the first Christian church, in Jerusalem.

Peter wrote his letter to Christians who were suffering great troubles. Peter wanted them to trust God more. Their troubles would test them. But they were joyful, even when they suffered. They were joyful, because they trusted God's promises. And they were joyful, because Jesus died for them.

So, Peter encouraged them to be holy. Their troubles would last for a short time. But God's word lasts always. And they will always live with God in heaven. There, they will not suffer.

God chose them to be his people (1 Peter 2:10). So, they were special people. They did not belong to this world (1 Peter 2:11). They belonged in heaven.

Jesus suffered many terrible things, too. But he did not reply when people insulted him. He did not complain. He trusted God. And when Jesus died, he suffered the punishment for our evil deeds. This was how he made us into the people of God (1 Peter 2:21-25).

We should copy Jesus, even when we suffer. We should respect our husbands and wives (1 Peter 3:1-7). We should respect our employers (1 Peter 2:18-21). And we should even respect rulers and governments (1 Peter 2:13-17). They might be evil. But we should still be good. We should tell them gently about Jesus (1 Peter 3:15).

We might suffer because we are Christians. But even if this happens, we should be glad. And we should praise God that we are Christians (1 Peter 4:12-19).

Peter advised these Christians to love each other (1 Peter 4:8). And, he had special advice for the church leaders (1 Peter 5:1-4).

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ 1 Corinthians 3:11

Sample Advice Column

Dear Two Heads,
I am a Christian, and I want to be a really good Christian, but sometimes I am very upset at myself. I don't have patience, so I am often angry at myself. What should I do? Impatient

Dear Impatient,
We at "Two Heads" have these suggestions for you:

- Go to church and ask your preacher.
- Try hard to be patient.
- Practice by enduring something.
- Pray to God every day. Talk about your mistakes.
- Sacrifice yourself to God more.
- Don't be too hard on yourself. You are a good person. Nobody is perfect

[.http://www.pierce.ctc.edu/VCallagan/christian.html](http://www.pierce.ctc.edu/VCallagan/christian.html)

Sample Devotional

About love and words...

1 Corinthians 13 :1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. (NIV)

Your life is filled with empty words sent out to starving souls. The radio and TV most often blare out these empty words. The internet, along with books, magazines, and newspapers are full of words turning out to be nothing but noise. Great speeches are made and thousands stand and applaud the words spoken. However, all these words are just noise without love. Words fail to change the way things are in your life. Only love changes the way things are. When you speak to others your words can send messages of love that can change their life. Your words surrounded by love are a food others desperately need for their souls. People need your words of love for their survival. God gave you a beauty shining like the stars of the heavens if you send out words surrounded in love.

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