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Journals

The reason why you do journals is to help you apply the Bible to your life. So often you encounter Scripture in your daily life but pay no attention to it. Journals are a chance for you to see God working in the midst of your every day life. Pay attention in all aspects of your day to see how/where God is communicating to you and base the concepts in Scriptural ideas. If you don't know where an idea might be in Scripture, do not hesitate to use a concordance, a Bible reference website or a friend, pastor/teacher to help you find where something is in the Bible.

The most important part of journals is to make sure you are spending time in the Word yourself for work that is not specifically for school or youth group, but just for you and your walk with Jesus!

May you grow in your experience with journals and discover God working in the midst of your life in places you may otherwise have never seen!

Some **Ideas** to get you going if you are experiencing a "block."

- Which character in the Bible would you be and why?
- What is your favorite verse and why?
- What have you learned recently in history, science, English or another subject and how does that relate to the Bible?
- What current issues in the news do you feel passionately about and why? Relate them to Scripture.
- What have your friends and you discussed spiritually recently?
- What has God impressed on your heart in youth group, church, chapel or another formal setting?
- Why do you love your parents, siblings, friends?

The ideas are endless! Make sure that you integrate Scripture with the idea or situation, though, because we must base our ideas in the Word of God. Please DO NOT just pick a verse and write commentary on it. I want you to share the Word alive in LIFE!

Grade:

Half Page / (Full Page)

10 points (20 points) – **B**iblical Integration – is there a Bible verse that is based in the entry and does that verse fit in with what is written?

10 points (20 points) – **C**ontent – how well written is the entry? (did you take your time and think through it well or just jot it down?)

5 points (10 points) – **O**rganization – length, grammar, spelling, neatness.

Format:

You must date, title each entry and write the verse(s) being used on the first line of the entry. You must write at least 12 lines in your composition book that is your "entry." Write between the red lines in the composition book and do not write more than three (3) lines of the actual Scripture passage. If your passage is longer than 3 lines, please just include the portion of the passage you need to highlight to prove your entry's main idea. For every line shorter than 12 lines that your entry is, your grade will be deducted 2 points.

Journal entries must be at least a half page in length (9 lines in a composition book), but may be as long as a full page. One page of journal entries is due each week. Only 50 points maximum will be given for each "entry" (so if you write a 4 page entry, it's only going to be good for 50 points).