

# Rising 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Summer Reading Assignment

Your summer reading assignment to complete by the first day of class is as follows:

- Read through the book of Proverbs and keep a journal writing down thoughts about each Proverb.
- In addition, please **annotate\*** in your NIV Bible while you read Proverbs 1-31.
- Write five to seven sentences about each of the 31 Proverbs in a composition notebook.
- Create a devotion based on the ideas and notes you make in your journal on Proverbs. The devotion should be one page long with a clear message. You should explain from Proverbs the theme you are defining and presenting. You should also include how the topic you selected from Proverbs applies to your life and if the book helped you grow.

Understand that all of the above is due at the beginning of the first class and will be counted as your first test grade.

## \*What is **Annotating**?

Annotating is marking key ideas so you can discuss and refer to the reading with more accuracy than if you rely on memory.

## How to **Annotate**:

- Mark the page as you read with comments and/or notes.
- Highlight/underline key words, phrases, and sentences.
- Write questions or ideas in the margins.
- Connect important ideas with lines or arrows.
- Circle words that are unfamiliar.

Please e-mail me if you have questions ([mmsterling@curtisbaptist.org](mailto:mmsterling@curtisbaptist.org)).