World Religions 2nd Semester 2019

**Socratic Seminar #6 on Christianity**

**Overview:**

Remember that 30% of your 2nd Semester Grade is based on 3 'Socratic Seminars' this semester (1st on Judaism; 2nd on Christianity; 3rd Final Review of All) . Our second Seminar on Christianity will be on **Monday, May 6th .** You will have the entire class on Thursday, May 2nd to work on your seminar notes. If you are absent on Monday then you must find a free period to have the seminar with me one on one.

½ of your grade will be 'Prepared Notes' based on this handout; ½ of your grade will be "Participation' based on the Seminar Rubric.

**'Prepared Notes' Directions:**

½ of your grade is your "Prepared Notes' that you can either type and upload to our shared class folder, or you can write and turn in to me. The Prepared Notes must be uploaded to the class folder- or handed in to me- at the end of the class on 5/6 or you will lose 1 letter grade for each day late.

Your notes should correspond to the following questions below. You do NOT need to write full paragraphs and sentences if you do not want. Bullet points would be OK. However feel free to write as much as you want.

**Specific Questions for Prepared Notes:**

You need to prepare notes for these following questions- and then be prepared to discuss your notes during the Socratic Seminar in class…

1. How would Christianity answer Big Question #1: What is the meaning of life?
2. Write some main ideas to your answer. Explain your answer in some details.
3. How would Christianity answer Big Question #2: What is 'God'? How can you 'know God?'
4. Write some main ideas to your answer. Explain your answer in some details.
5. How would Christianity answer Big Question #3: What happens after you die?
6. Write some main ideas to your answer. Explain your answer in some details.
7. How would Christianity answer Big Question #4: What does it mean to be human?
8. Write some main ideas to your answer. Explain your answer in some details.

NOW WE WILL DO SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT. You are not going to read The Gospel of John, which is one of the 4 gospels included in the Bible New Testament about the life of Jesus. You may remember that the Gospel of John was written around 100 CE and was written for a Greek-speaking/Greek-philosopher audience.

As you read The Gospel of John assigned parts, you must select passages that you think relate to the 4 questions above (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens after you die?; What does it mean to be human?) So you will select passages (such as John Chapter 2: Verses 4-7) that you think relate to the 4 questions.

You will also be asked to select passages that you think are…..1)Important to understand Jesus and Christianity…and 2)Interesting to you

So let's get started…..

Open my website: [www.mrciambarellaclass.com](http://www.mrciambarellaclass.com)

Click on Religion 2nd Sem Click on LINK TO ONLINE BIBLE

Under the New Testament Column click on "JOHN"

1. First read the SUMMARY on this page including Summary, Author, Date, Purpose and Emphases….and answer: What are some things one should keep in mind about The Gospel of John and how it might be different from the other Gospels?
2. Click on John Chapter "1"

Read all of John Chapter 1. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 1 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 2

Read all of John Chapter 2. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 2 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 3

Read all of John Chapter 3. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 3 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 4

Read all of John Chapter 4. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 4 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 6

Read all of John Chapter 6. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 6 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 7: Verses 32-52 only

Read John 7: 32-52. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 7: 32-52 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 8: Verses 1-38 only

As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 8: 1-38 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read John Chapter 11: Verses 45-57 only

. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

Write here 1 or 2 verses/passages from John Chapter 11: 45-57 and brief key words about how you will discuss them at the seminar:

1. Now read all of John Chapter 13

Read all of John Chapter 13. As you read/after you read select 1 or 2 verses/passages that you want to discuss at the seminar and how. So you can select as passage that answers one of the 4 questions (What is the meaning of life?; What is God; What happens in death?; What does it mean to be human?) and/or you can select passages that you think are important to understand Jesus and Christianity OR select passages that you think are interesting.

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