

Core F | Rhetoric II | Q1 Memory Assignment | 2023 - 24

This year we will focus on the fourth and fifth canons of rhetoric: **memory** and **delivery**. To practice the canon of memory, each quarter will have a memory assignment as follows:

Q1: Biblical (Scripture)

Q2: Historical (Gettysburg Address)

Q3: Whimsical (Poetry | Plays)

Q4: Professional (Your Speech)

You are to memorize each assigned passage in its entirety. Not kinda-sorta memorized so you can feel your way along with a few notes, not read through a few times beforehand so you can read it without stumbling over words. You are to know it backwards and forwards, to a degree that you can recite it fluently and with feeling.

For the first memory assignment, you will memorize a passage of Scripture of at least 9 verses. This must be a passage that you have *not* memorized for a prior assignment in any class or situation. No more than two students may recite the same passage. If there is a passage not on the list that you would prefer to memorize, you must first receive approval. You may use whatever Scripture version you are most comfortable with, but you must provide a copy to me when you recite.

Possible verses for Scripture Memory Assignment:

1. Psalm 8
2. Psalm 19
3. Psalm 139:1 – 12
4. Psalm 139:13 – 24
5. Proverbs 2: 1 - 15
6. Proverbs 3: 1 – 12
7. Luke 15: 1 – 10 (Lost sheep/lost coin)
8. John 1: 1 – 14
9. John 15: 1 – 13 (Vine/branches)
10. Acts 17: 22 – 31 (Paul's speech on Mars Hill)
11. Romans 6: 1- 14
12. Romans 12
13. 1 Corinthians 13
14. Colossians 3:1 - 17

Only one student per section may memorize each passage.

If you do not notify me by 9/7 which you choose, I will choose for you.

You will recite your passage before the class the class on 10/10.

You must have the passage fully memorized—no notecards.