

Humanities 1

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Writing Assignment 1 (graded)

Choose one of the following topics and write a thesis-based essay in which you agree or disagree with the words in quotes, or modify their ideas to fit your understanding of the text. In length, make your paper from four full pages to five full pages.

As you've observed, the names of the Bible and its books are capitalized but not italicized or put in quotes.

1. "None of the major characters in Genesis is admirable in himself or herself. They are important only because they are, somehow, friends of God."
2. "Of the most important man and wife pairs in Genesis—Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Rachel--the wife is always the stronger personality." Choose three of these pairs to discuss.
3. "Somehow, by the end of Genesis, humanity has learned nothing of great importance."
4. "David is confronted with many tests, and he almost always fails them. If God had not chosen, for unknown reasons, to adopt him as a friend, David would have been absolutely nothing."

Turn in your essay at the **end of lecture on Friday, January 31.**