**General Writing Guide**

**Concluding Paragraph:**

* Reinforce Thesis: Restate your thesis in different words to support your essay’s main idea.
* Connection/Concluding Sentence: Leave the reader with a final thought about the topic you want them to remember
* Remember: Your concluding paragraph shows more than a “the end” statement.

**Third Point Paragraph:**

* Transition/Topic Sentence: State the third main point connecting it to the previous point
* Support and Elaboration: Explain this point with details, support, and a short scripture quote.
* Concluding Sentence: Write a summary sentence that wraps up the third point and transitions to the concluding paragraph.

**Second Point Paragraph:**

* Transition/Topic Sentence: State the second main point from your thesis connecting it to the previous point
* Support and Elaboration: Explain this point with details, support, and a short scripture quote
* Concluding Sentence: Write a summary sentence that wraps up the second point and transitions to the third point

**First Point Paragraph:**

* Topic Sentence: State the first main point from your thesis
* Support and Elaboration: Explain this point with details, support, and short scripture quotes
* Concluding Sentence: Write a summary sentence that wraps up the first point and transitions to the next point

**Introduction:**

Grabber: A statement that draws the reader into your essay

Definition: Explain what you will write about to the reader

Thesis: Write a sentence that gives the reader your topic and main points in response to the assigned homework question. (Make sure you stay on topic with the question.)