**World Religions**

**Final Seminar**

**Overview:**

1. All of this work is due in class on Thursday, May 16th. If you are not in class on Thursday then you must give me your completed work before 3:45 pm on Thursday, May 16th.
2. All of this work should be done in your art portfolio. You can either write directly into your portfolio, or you can type your answers and print them out and then glue into your portfolio.
3. PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PORTFOLIO FROM ME TO KEEP AS A SOUVENIR FROM THIS CLASS! THEY WILL BE READY TO PICK UP ANYTIME DURING SENIOR WEEK. YOU CAN JUST TAKE YOUR PORTFOLIO FROM OUR CLASSROOM ANYTIME DURING SENIOR WEEK.

**Directions:**

1. The purpose of this "Final Seminar" is to reflect on the entire year of World Religions class as a whole. Think about all the religions and philosophies we have studied collectively. Think about the big questions we have been asking in this class. Think about your own views on religions and the big questions now.
2. As mentioned above, you should write your answers directly in your art portfolio. Or you can type your answers, print them out, and then glue into your portfolio.
3. You should also "decorate" your answers on each page of your portfolio in some artistic way (such as coloring, drawing, pasting pictures, etc.)

**Specific Questions to Answer:**

1. We will be using the book *Jesus, Buddha, Krishna & Lao Tzu: The Parallel Sayings* by Richard Hooper to help us reflect on the year. All of the required readings can be found on my website: [www.mrciambarellaclass.com](http://www.mrciambarellaclass.com)
2. Follow the directions below. Read the assigned pages. Write your answers and reflections in your art portfolio and "decorate them too".
3. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Intro Chapter". You only need to read pages 1-10 only (but you can read pages 11-29 if you find it interesting!) But after you read pages 1-10 only I want you to write your first "entry" into your art portfolio.

At the top of the page write "FINAL SEMINAR REFLECTIONS"

Under that write "INTRODUCTION REFLECTION"

Now write a 7-10 sentences summary of what the Introduction is saying and your thoughts about it so far. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas on pages 1-10 and why?

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapter 1 The Way".

Read pages 31-35.

In your art portfolio (under the Introduction Reflection or on a separate page; it is up to you) write "THE GREAT WAY REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 31-35 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 36-47. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 36-47 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "The Great Way"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 2-3 God Meditation".

Read pages 49-51.

In your art portfolio write "GOD REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 49-51 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 52-61. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 52-61 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 2-3 God Meditation".

Read pages 62-63.

In your art portfolio write "MEDITATION REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 62-63 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 64-73. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 64-73 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 4-5 Self I Am".

Read pages 74-75.

In your art portfolio write "SELF REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 74-75 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 76-79. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 76-79 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 4-5 Self I Am".

Read pages 80-81.

In your art portfolio write "I AM REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 80-81 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 82-87. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 82-87 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 6-7 Path Wisdom".

Read pages 88-93.

In your art portfolio write "THE PATH REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 89-93 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 94-99. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 94-99 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 6-7 Path Wisdom".

Read pages 100-101.

In your art portfolio write "WISDOM REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 100-101 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 102-109. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 102-109 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 8-9 Love Hypocrisy".

Read pages 110-111.

In your art portfolio write "LOVE REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 110-111 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 112-119. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 112-119 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 8-9 Love Hypocrisy".

Read pages 120-121.

In your art portfolio write "HYPOCRISY REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 120-121 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 122-127. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 122-127 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 11-13 Suffer Karma Death".

Read pages 128-129 and 135-137.

In your art portfolio write "SUFFERING & KARMA REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 128-129 and 135-137 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 130-133 and 138-141. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 130-133 and 2 quotations from 138-141 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Chapters 11-13 Suffer Karma Death".

Read pages 142-145.

In your art portfolio write "DEATH REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 142-145 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 146-153. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 146-153 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….

1. Open my website to "Week 11 Parallel Sayings Enlightenment Final Chapter".

Read pages 154-155.

In your art portfolio write "ENLIGHTENMENT REFLECTIONS"

After you read pages 154-155 only write a 7-10 sentences summary of the main ideas and your reflections on it (do you agree? Do you disagree? Can you add anything more from World Religions class? What do you think about this topic?, etc…)

Now read/skim pages 156-159. Some people like to read down the columns. Some people like to read across columns. Maybe try both. But take a few minutes to look at some of the different quotations from all 4 religions on this topic.

In your art portfolio write at least 2 quotations and the source from pages 156-159 that you find meaningful and you like. Of course you can write more than 2 if you want!

Now add some "decoration" or "artistic effort" or "creativity" or "something else" to this page on "God"….You could draw a picture that you think relates to this topic. You could find another quote from our World Religions class you think fits. You could find a quote from a different religion (such as Judaism, Native American, Goddess, etc.) that you think also relates to this topic; you could add some color to your page, etc….