# Key Quote Format

1. As you’re reading, select quotes that catch your attention—

* maybe you’re noting repetition or you’re puzzled by a quote;
* maybe you’re recognizing an echo of some other text you know;
* maybe you’re remembering allusions to the phrase from some other source;
* maybe the words are a “Power Line” for you
* maybe you like the images the quote conveys
* maybe the words are provocative

1. Provide all the “location information” for the quote—Book, Chapter and Verse

3. If appropriate, identify the speaker and “audience” for the quote or at least the context of the quote.

4. Comment on the quote—2 to 3 sentences about why you’ve selected the quote and include your insights on the quote’s meaning

5. You will generally be submitting **two key quotes at the beginning of class every Tuesday**—please type (word process) these key quotes, include the date right under your name when you submit these.

6. Citation information for Bible quotes or parenthetical references

* + The book title is abbreviated, for example 1 Chron.
  + A period follows the abbreviated name of the book, a period also follows the number of the chapter –for example

(Ezek. 1.5-10)

* + In the Works Cited for a paper, you cite the Bible in the following way (I’m using the information for the New Revised Standard Version which we are using in this course)

*The New Oxford Annotated Bible*, Fourth Edition. Michael D. Coogan, ed.

New York: Oxford University Press, 2001.

7. An Exception—when using the Bible in the text of the paper: “The convention of using underlining (or italics) and quotation marks to indicate titles does not apply to the names of sacred writings (including all books and versions of the Bible)…These terms all appear without underlining or quotation marks. For example

Bible King James Version Old Testament Tanak Genesis

Gospels Christian Foundational Writings Talmud Koran

Upanishads (*MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* 107-8)

However, you DO underline or italicize titles of individual published editions of sacred writings (*The Oxford Annotated Bible*; *The Talmud of the Land of Israel: A Preliminary Translation and Explanation*)