**Discussion Board Thread Grading Rubric**

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| **Criteria** | **Levels of Achievement** |
| **Content 70%****(42 points)** | **Advanced** | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **DB Forum Question/Prompt Answered** | **14 to 15 points**Exceptionally clear and thorough answers to the DB Forum Question(s)/Prompt(s) are given.  | **11 to 13 points**Clear answers to the DB Forum Question(s)/Prompt(s) are given. | **1 to 10 points**At least some evidence is present that the Question(s)/Prompt(s) are answered. | **0 points**Not present  |
| **Interaction with Scripture as well as Reading & Study Materials**  | **14 to 15 points**Exceptional and skillful interaction with Scripture and the Reading & Study materials associated with the assignment. | **11 to 13 points**Clear discussion that interacts well with Scripture and the Reading & Study materials associated with the assignment. | **1 to 10 points**At least some of the discussion interacts with Scripture and the Reading & Study materials associated with the assignment. | **0 points**Not present  |
| **Thoughtful Analysis and Personal Examples** | **11 to 12 points**Exceptional analysis (considering assumptions, analyzing implications, comparing concepts) and pertinent, conceptual, or personal examples present. | **8 to 10 points**Clear analysis (considering assumptions, analyzing implications, comparing concepts) and pertinent, conceptual, or personal examples present. | **1 to 7 points**Some analysis (considering assumptions, analyzing implications, comparing concepts) and/or pertinent, conceptual, or personal examples present. | **0 points**Not present |
| **Structure 30%****(18 points)** | **Advanced** | **Proficient** | **Developing** | **Not present** |
| **Formatting** | **5 points**Formatting of DB thread, headings and citations are in accordance with the latest edition of the Turabian Style Guide. | **4 points**Formatting of DB thread, headings and citations are in close accordance with the latest edition of the Turabian Style Guide. | **1 to 3 points**Formatting of DB thread, headings and citations are somewhat in accordance with the latest edition of the Turabian Style Guide. | **0 points**Not present |
| **Language** | **5 points**Very concise, clear, with consistently proper grammar, spelling and paragraphing. | **4 points**Clear, with minimal errors in grammar, spelling and paragraphing. | **1 to 3 points**Periodic errors in grammar, spelling and paragraphing. Inconsistent grammar, spelling and paragraphing throughout DB thread. | **0 points**Not present |
| **Word Count** | **8 points**Required word count (at least 400 words) is met. Note that neither the retyped words for the DB question/prompt, nor citations count as part of the word count. Though they are necessary, only the body of your written work is considered in the word count. | **6 to 7 points**Word count of the body of written work less any retyped DB questions/prompts, and citations total between 300 and 399 words. | **1 to 5 points**Word count of the body of written work less any retyped DB questions/prompts, and citations total between 50 and 299 words. | **0 points**Word count of the body of written work less any retyped DB questions/prompts, and citations total less than 50 words. |