Please Note:

- (1) The following lists are *suggested* reading, aids in helping one begin writing the essay therefore, they are not complete (i.e., one is not limited to the lists consequently reading nothing else), nor are they to be imitated (i.e., one does not have to read everything on the list).
- (2) At 2nd year level one should expect to read no less than 10 or so major pieces for the essay.
- (3) Give yourself time to do the reading, digest it, and *clearly* formulate your response.

1. Evaluate the difference to the world that petitionary prayer makes.

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