**Opener**

*“The days are gone forever when our enemies could blackmail us with nuclear bombs.”*

*“Our republic is a responsible nuclear state that, as we made clear before, will not use nuclear weapons first unless aggressive hostile forces use nuclear weapons to invade on our sovereignty.”*

*“The people's army should always maintain a highly agitated state and be equipped with full fighting readiness so as to smash the enemies with a single stroke if they make the slightest move and achieve the historic cause of the fatherland's reunification.”*

*“The military might of a country represents its national strength. Only when it builds up its military might in every way can it develop into a thriving country.” - Kim Jong un*

**Small Group Discussion:** What do these statements mean? What is the bigger picture of these quotes? (What are they saying about North Korea). Should the United States be concerned about these statements by Kim Jong un? If you were president – how would you respond?