

## BIBLE BASICS WEEK 8: Take Home Activity References – Part 3

Today we reviewed how to put all the different parts of the Bible (Testaments, books, chapters and verses) together to make a reference.

**Reference:** A reference tells us where to turn in our Bibles. It always has a book, chapter and verse(s).

A reference is like an address. Just like an address tells us where to find someone's house or where to find a place we want to go to (like the church, Yogurtland or Chick-Fil-A), a reference tells us where to go to find a specific place in the Bible.

When writing or reading a reference, the order always stays the same. The book comes first, the chapter comes second and the verse(s) comes third. It goes, "Book, chapter, verse. Book, chapter, verse." Have your kid(s) repeat this with you.

When reading a reference, the size of the chapter and the verse numbers are the same. In the Bible, chapters are the big numbers and verses are the little numbers, but when reading a reference, we can see that they are the same size. Whenever we read or write a reference, we remember that the order stays the same! It always goes, "Book, chapter, verse." Have them repeat this one more time.

## Family Activity:

Review the definitions of each part of the Bible by playing the TBCV Memory Game you received a few weeks ago. If you don't have one of these, ask for one next Sunday when you pick up your kiddo — we have some to give you! Using the ESV Children's Bible we gave your first grader, practice looking up references by using the Table of Contents to find the book's page number, then looking for the chapter (the big number) and the verse (the little number). Then read the verse together. Maybe do one of these each night before bedtime, or whenever makes the most sense for your family.

## Some references to use:

- Daniel 2:10-11
- 1 Corinthians 13:13
- Deuteronomy 6:5
- Psalm 16:11
- John 14:15
- 1 John 5:3
- See if your kiddo can think of any references to look up (ask if they remember any old MVOTMs!).