#### **Booklet Introduction**

Moses was a great prophet and is teaching the people about God. Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible to tell us about all the things God said and did. The first book in the Bible is the book of Genesis. Genesis means beginning. In the book of Genesis Moses gives an account of all that happened in the beginning. This year we will be studying the book of Genesis.

From the book of Genesis we will study how God created the heavens and the earth. We will also study history, which is about the things people did long ago. From those stories we learn how we should live and follow God. We will learn what happens when people choose to disobey God and do what's wrong. We will learn what happens to good people when they love and follow God.

#### **Discussion Questions**

<u>Day 1</u>: What is the Bible? Why should we read and study the Bible?

<u>Day 2</u>: What does the Bible teach us about God? What does the Bible tell us about people?

<u>Day 3</u>: What do the stories in the Bible teach us? Why is that important to know?

<u>Day 4</u>: What is the Gospel? How does the Bible spread the Gospel? What does the Holy Spirit do for us?

<u>Day 5</u>: What does God want us to learn from reading the Bible?

<u>Day 6</u>: Why is the Bible a treasure? What should we learn from the past? What does steadfast mean?

#### **Lesson Rhyme**

B—B Make sign of B

Bible Hands palm up in front of body open like a book
Has stories Flip right hand over left like turning pages of a book

that are true Form a T with index fingers.

B—B—Bible (Same as above)

Tells Move 1st & 2nd fingers of both hands

back & forth from mouth

us what's Point to self with thumbs

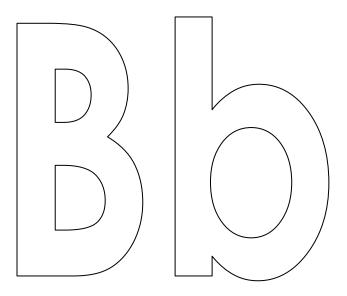
right to do Thumbs up sign

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In the Beginning 1

# What is in the Bible?



B—B—Bible
God's Word to me and you
B—B—Bible
Tells us what's right to do

## Day 1

It tells us what is true.

And when we read and study
it we know what's right to do.

Our lives will go quite well
if we do what God does say,

And so the Bible we should read
each and every day.

Draw a picture of a Bible.

The Bible is God's story.

Psalm 119:137-138: <sup>137</sup> Righteous are you, O LORD, and your laws are right. <sup>138</sup> The statutes you have laid down are righteous; they are fully trustworthy.

#### Day 6

The Bible is a treasure,
more valuable than gold,
And we gain treasure also
if we follow what we're told.
So be sure to read the Bible
and learn from history past.
Follow what is right and true
and with God walk steadfast.

Draw a picture of a treasure chest.

2 Timothy 3:16-17: <sup>16</sup>All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in right-eousness, <sup>17</sup>so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

## Day 5

In the Bible God lays out the path on which to go.

The way to live life rightly, he wants us all to know.

The problem is that people tend to follow what is bad.

Reading through the Bible, we learn what makes God glad.

Draw a picture of a path leading to a Bible.

# Psalm 119:143-144: <sup>143</sup> Trouble and distress have come upon me, but your commands are my delight. <sup>144</sup> Your statutes

are forever right; give me understanding that I may live.

## Day 2

The Bible tells us of the things
our mighty God has done.

It speaks of his creation,
how he made the earth and sun.

God made man in his image to reflect on earth his love.

And the Bible says to fear God as he watches from above.

Draw a picture of the earth and sun.

Psalm 77:11-12:  $^{11}$  I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago.  $^{12}$  I will meditate on all your works and consider all your mighty deeds.

## Day 3

The Bible tells of people who lived very long ago.

How they followed God is something we should know.

It tells lots of stories of men and wrong they've done.

So we understand why God had to send to earth his Son.

Draw a picture of a person from the Bible.

# 1 Corinthians 10:6: $^6\text{Now}$ these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did.

## Day 4

The Bible tells us of the things
that Jesus did and said.

It is the way the Gospel
around the world has spread.

And of the Holy Spirit,
the Bible teaches too.

Because the Holy Spirit
shows us what's right to do.

Draw a picture of Jesus.

John 20:30-31: <sup>30</sup> Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.