



## What's Different in the New Fighter Verses Set?

### Scripture Selection

- New verses have been added to support a better representation of the three primary categories: 1) battling sin; 2) the character and worth of God; and 3) the work of Christ in the Gospel. Most significant among these three categories is the addition of numerous Gospel verses.
- Matthew 5-7 has been moved to the Extended Memory Set.

### Scripture Format

- All “a” and “b” designators have been removed from the references and replaced by ellipses within the verses. For example, ***John 14:6—...“I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”***
- In verses that begin a conjunction, the conjunction is gray to allow each person or church to choose whether or not to memorize the conjunction. For example, ***John 1:12-13—But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,<sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.***
- Bracketed verses allow a preceding or succeeding verse to be added, like an extra-credit assignment. Bracketed verses are helpful but would make the passage too long for that week if included. Each individual or congregation can decide whether or not they will memorize bracketed verses. For example, ***Psalms 62:5-7 [8]—For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him. <sup>6</sup>He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. <sup>7</sup>On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. [<sup>8</sup>Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.]***

### Program Structure

- Each set contains 52 passages, one per week, bringing consistency from year to year.
- Each year's set of verses was reordered for more equitable coverage of the three main topics throughout the five-year program.
- Certain longer passages have been divided and are now being memorized over additional weeks. For example, 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 is now split into two weeks, verses 6-7 together and verse 8 on its own.
- Whenever possible, shorter passages follow longer passages. For example, Ephesians 4:26 follows Colossians 3:1-3 in the memorization order.
- We have eliminated the occurrence of two short passages from different books of the Bible being assigned on the same week. For example, Psalm 42:11 and 1 John 4:4 are no longer memorized together during the same week. They have been assigned separate weeks.

