

**RESEARCH HELPS USING
ONLINE DATABASES**
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Information for **all research students** who need to search one of the online databases

To search, you will need to vary the search string in each database to locate the scripture citation which includes your assigned exegesis passage or any related passage.

Using Christian Periodical Index:

Use: **Bible NT Timothy, 1st, II, 1-3** Note: no periods used. Roman numerals for chapters. Arabic numbers for verses.

Bible NT Timothy, 2nd, III, 4-7

Bible OT Exodus XVIII, 3-4

Using EBSCO Academic Search Elite (used as a single database):

Bible N.T. Hebrews or **Bible O.T. Exodus 20** Note: periods used. Arabic numbers used.

Using EBSCO ATLA Serials (used as a single database):

For general searches, use Bible plus the name of the book. Then look at the Narrower Search display to the left for their pattern to limit the search; i.e., **Bible Romans 1-4; Bible Romans 5-8; Bible Romans 9-11; Bible Romans 12-16**. Narrower searches (Bible Romans 14:17) may be used but may not always provide the 14 & 17 in the same Bible citation.

Researchers needing to find an Essay, Book, or Article in the ATLA Serials database can use these search strings in the Advanced Search: [See its: Refine Search: Limit Your Results]

Your topic _____ AND PT “essay”. This limits the search to the Publication Type: essay. To locate a book use: Your topic _____ AND PT “book”. To locate an article use: Your topic _____ AND PT “article”.

Using Religious and Theological Abstracts:

1 Timothy 2 or **Exodus 20** Note: This is the most direct method. Click on the (?) [Help symbol] to find other methods.