

July 5-11, 2020

Genesis 4:4-5 (ESV)

<sup>4</sup> Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, <sup>5</sup> but for Cain and his offering He had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell.



## Cain Rebels against God - Monday

Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read or Listen: Genesis 3:14-16, 20; 4:2

Even though Adam and Eve rebelled against God, God promised to give them children. God promised that one of their kids would crush Satan's head and end the war between Satan and man to be the ruler of God's creation.

Adam trusted that God would give them the promised child (3:20).

Even though death entered God's world, Adam and Eve brought new life into the world (4:1).

Eve knew that her child was a gift from God (4:1).

Cain and Abel were twins, born at the same time (4:2).

Abel was a farmer who grew plants for food (4:2).

Cain was a shepherd who raised sheep for clothes, food, and sacrifices (4:2).

God told Adam and Eve that they would die because of their sin, but God also promised that one of Eve's sons would crush Satan's rule. Based upon the meaning of Cain's name, Eve may have thought that Cain was that promised seed, son, or savior.

In the "Following Jesus Bible", you'll notice a little  $^1$  beside the word "gotten". Find the other  $^1$  at the bottom of the column right above the  $^{\wp}$ . What does "Cain" sound like in Hebrew? G\_\_\_\_\_\_

Every time Eve would call for Cain, she'd be reminded that he was a gift from God and that she was waiting for God's gift of a son who would set her free from sin. Cain didn't end up being her savior, as you'll see tomorrow, and as you saw last week, Jesus is that Promised Son.

Jesus lived perfectly, died in our place, and rose again so that we could be set free from Satan's and sin's rule. Even today, we are waiting for the Promised Son to throw Satan in the Lake of Fire, completing His work of crushing Satan's rule, and set up His righteous rule on the new earth.

## Cain Rebels against God - Tuesday

> Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

**Pray:** Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read or Listen: Genesis 4:2-7: Psalm 51:10-17 Cain was a gift from God, but was Cain THE promised son, the one who would destroy Satan's rule and lead all men to worship God again? Last week you learned that Adam and Even sinned long before they ate the fruit because they had rebellious hearts that didn't think and want God's ways. In today's verses, you'll see the same thing. What did both Cain and Abel bring to the Lord (vv 4-5)? An (forgefin) \_\_\_ What was Cain's offering (v 3)? (fitru) \_\_\_\_\_ of the (gundor) \_\_\_\_\_ What was Abel's offering (v 4)? (frontribs) \_\_\_\_\_ of his (clofk) \_\_\_\_ Later in the Bible, God tells His people to bring Him grain and fruit offerings, and He is pleased with them, but He is NOT pleased with Cain's fruit offering. The verses give us a couple of clues why God was NOT pleased. Abel brought a FIRSTborn and the BEST (fat) portions, while Cain just brought SOME fruit. The point of the offering was to worship God. Worship means telling God what He is worth to you. Abel showed that God was worth his BEST sheep and should be first in his life. Cain's offering was no different than what he'd give to a neighbor who needed food. Already we see that Cain isn't thinking right about God, but he shows even more of his rebellious heart when God corrects him. How did Cain choose to respond to God's rejection (v 5)? (range) \_\_\_\_\_ and his (cafe) \_\_\_\_ (lelf) God told Cain that it was not a good offering, and God showed grace to Cain by warning him that he had a rebellious heart. God called Cain to confess and repent of his wrong thinking and doing. We get angry and sad when things don't go the way we want. True worship and obedience are done with a heart that loves God as Lord of all. Psalm 51:17 (ESV) - The s\_\_\_\_\_ of God are a b\_\_\_\_ spirit; a b\_\_\_\_\_ and contrite h\_\_\_\_\_, O God, you will not despise.

## Cain Rebels against God - Wednesday

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Read or Listen: Genesis 4:8-16

God was not pleased with Cain's offering because of his proud heart, which was seen in his anger. Yet, God called Cain to repent of his proud heart. How did Cain respond to God's warning (v 5)?

When Adam and Eve sinned, God came to them asking questions to lead them to confess their sin. God asked Cain questions, too. What question did God ask Cain (v 9)?

How did Cain answer God's question (v 9)?

God gave Cain the chance to confess his sin, but he was just like his parents in that he tried to cover his sin from God instead. God knew about the sin, and God punished Cain. Even though Cain was a "gift" from God, he was not THE gift from God who would be the promised savior.

Check everything that was part of Cain's punishment (vv 12, 16):

Immediate death Separated from his family

Fruitless farming Separated from God

In Genesis 3:15, God introduces a war between God and Satan, or between Eve's seed (man) and Satan's seeds. Who won the 1<sup>st</sup> battle between Satan and man in Genesis 3?

We see the 2<sup>nd</sup> battle in this war in Genesis 4. Who won?

Even though it looks like Satan is winning the war so far, God has promised that His Seed, Jesus, will win the final battle, and in so doing, Jesus will share His victory with all of His children.

In Ephesians 6:10-13, we are called to join with God in this battle against Satan. What is the only way we can win against Satan's lies and attacks (Eph. 6:10)?

## Cain Rebels against God - Thursday

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**Pray:** Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

**Read or Listen:** Genesis 2:24; 4:17-24; Romans 5:12 God married Adam to Eve in Genesis 2:24. How many people were in that  $1^{st}$  marriage (2:24)? 1 2 3 4 In the verses you read today, Cain's seed, Lamech, was married. How many people were in his marriage (4:19)? 1 2 3 4

Match Lamech's sons with what they did as work:

Did Lamech follow God's design for marriage?

Jabal

Jubal

Tubal-cain

While Lamech wasn't leading his family to worship and follow God, his children still did good work with their hands and God-given talents. Lamech wrote a little poem to his wives to share what he had done.

YES

NO

What had a man done to Lamech (v 23)?

What had a boy done to Lamech (v 23)?

What did Lamech do to the boy and man (v 23)?

Did Lamech try to cover his sin like Cain? YES NO
Did Lamech try to cover his sin like Adam? YES NO
Did Lamech want God to cover his sin like Adam? YES NO
Did Lamech want God to protect him from sin's results like Cain? YES NO
Lamech boasted about his sin in a song and laughed at God's judgment.

According to Genesis 3-4 and Romans 5:12, what spreads to all men like a virus?

As Adam and Eve watched their family grow, they saw them bearing fruit, multiplying, and filling the earth, but they also watched sin and death spread to all men. They were waiting for that Promised Son who would crush Satan's rule. But with every child born, man's rebellion grew worse.

As you look at your life, do you see God making you more like Him, or are you becoming more like Cain and Lamech? \_\_\_\_\_ Who do you want God to make you like?

## Cain Rebels against God - Friday

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Read or Listen: Genesis 4:25-5:8

What was the name of Seth's son (4:26)? E							
What did he lead Adam's family to do (4:26)?							
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How long did Adam live (5:5)? years							
How old was Adam when Seth was born (5:3)? years							
How old was Seth when Enosh was born (5:6)? years							
Add the age of Adam when he had Seth to the age of Seth when he had							
Enosh to see how old Adam was when Enosh was born: years Adam was able to see his children begin to worship God and seek God's							
							salvation. How do you think this made him feel?
What do you think he may have thought about Enosh in light of <i>Genesis 3:15?</i>							
Even though Enosh led Adam's family to worship God and seek God's salvation, what two things couldn't Enosh remove from the world (Romans 5:12)?  S and D							
Was Enosh the promised savior? YES NO							
God made Adam in His likeness, and Adam had Seth in his likeness. As a							
result, Adam's sin and death was passed down to every man except One who							
was not born of a man and a woman. Who is the only man to only have an							
earthly mother and God as His Father (Matthew 1:18)? J							
This man also bears people in His image. Those made in Adam's image are known							
for sin and death, but those of Adam's kids who are remade in the image of							
Jesus are known for what (Romans 5:17)? R and L							
We're all sons of Adam, but are you a child of God? Does your life look like a child of God? Do you want God to make you His child, so you live in righteousness rather than die in sin?							

## Cain Rebels against God - Saturday

> Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

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What word is repeated in almost all the verses and shows that God's word in Genesis 2:17 is true?  In all these names, there's one name that should stand out as different because this word is not used to describe the end of his life. Who is this person and how did his life end instead (v 24)?  More is said about him than everyone else, too. How is he described (v 24)?  Adam called his wife Eve, the mother of all living, because he trusted in God to send a son who would crush Satan.  Able worshiped God with all his heart.  Enosh led Adam's family to call upon the Lord.  Enoch is described in a long list of sinners' names as being one who walked with God.  Who do people walk with? FRIENDS ENEMIES  What does this tell us about Enoch?  He was a friend of God.  Adam sinned against God and was removed from the Garden.  Cain sinned against God and was removed from his family.  Next week, you'll see how the world rebelled against God and was destroyed.  However, Enoch walked with God. What happened to him (v 24)?  How does Lamech, son of Seth, differ from Lamech, son of Cain (v 29)? Use these words to fill in the blanks:
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Lamech, Son of Cain Lamech, Son of Seth
against God in God's salvation
God to curse him the curse on creation
at God's curse for relief from the curse

The verses leave us with a question:

Will Noah be the promised seed of the woman who will crush Satan? You'll see the answer next week, but there's a more important question for you to answer now:

Would God describe you as one who walks with Him?

## **Prayer Journal**

R equest God's help for the needs of others T hank God for blessing you every day **Monday** Tuesday

H onor God with your praises and respect

A sk God to supply for your personal needs

E xamine your life for sin and confess it to God

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# Prayer Journal ...continued

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### Gray Road Baptist Church, Children's Ministries

This quiet time lesson was written to coincide with the Generations of Grace Sunday School curriculum. The daily lessons represented are in conjunction with the teacher's manual to provide a fluid, consistent message to your children both in Sunday school and in their private devotions.

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## No Praise Factory until further notice...

UNIT #12: God's People Live for Him

Unit #12: How should God's people live each day?

Unit #12 Answer: They should live like Jesus.

Unit #12 Verse: Ephesians 5:1-2 - 1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us,

a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Big Idea #61 Answer: God's people grow to be more like Jesus.

Big Idea #61 Verse: 2 Corinthians 3:18

Big Idea #62 Answer: God's people love Him with all their being.

**Big Idea #62 Verse:** Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Big Idea #63 Answer: God's people love others.

Big Idea #63 Verse: 1 John 4:20-21

Big Idea #64 Answer: God's people trust Him.

Big Idea #64 Verse: Proverbs 3:5-6

Big Idea #65 Answer: God's people are good stewards of God's gifts.

Bia Idea #65 Verse: 1 Peter 4:10-11

<sup>10</sup> As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: <sup>11</sup> whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.