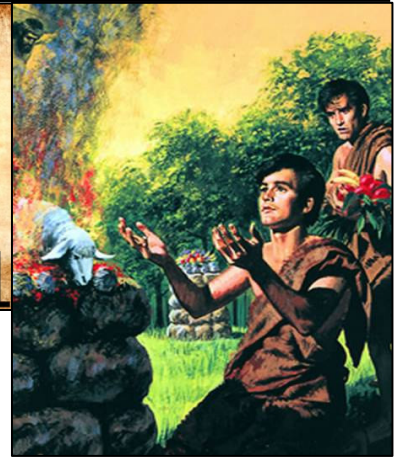


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Genesis Chapter 4

“And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.”

I. Cain and Abel

a. “Knew”

- This is the first specific mention of _____ in the Bible. The term “to know” is a polite way of saying they had sexual relations and the term is used often in the Bible in this sense (Genesis 4:17, 4:25, 38:26, Judges 11:39, 1 Samuel 1:19).
- Most terms and phrases people use for sex today are either coarse or violent, but the Bible sees sex as a means of _____ one another in a committed relationship.

b. Cain

- His name means ‘_____.’
- Eve may have thought that she held in her arms the fulfillment of Genesis __:_____.

c. Abel

- His name means ‘_____.’
- Cain and Abel may have been _____. Why?

(Time passes and the two boys grow up...)

II. The Farmer and the Shepherd

- “Abel was a keeper of sheep.” This shows us _____ of animals at the beginning!
- “Cain was a tiller of the ground.” This is the earliest mention of _____.

III. The Offerings

- “Cain brought of the fruit of the ground.” It was _____ accepted.
- “Abel... brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof.” It was _____.
- Many assume that the Lord accepted Abel’s offering because it was a ‘blood sacrifice,’ and Cain’s offering was rejected because it was not a ‘blood sacrifice.’ But grain offerings were acceptable before God (Leviticus 2).
- The answer to acceptance is found in Hebrews 11:4 – Abel offered by _____.
- Cain’s offering was the effort of dead religion. It was man’s first _____ act.

“Here, it is one lamb for a _____. Later, at the Passover, it will be one lamb for a _____. Then, at the Day of Atonement, it was one lamb for the _____. Finally, with Jesus, there was one Lamb who takes away the sin of the whole _____ (John 1:29).”



IV. The Wrath of Cain

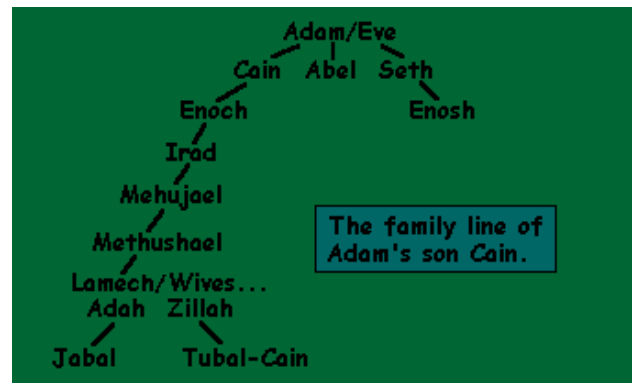
- Cain’s anger was undoubtedly rooted in _____. (I John 3:12)
- God’s _____ (v. 6) and _____ with Cain.
- Verses 6 -7. God gives Cain a _____. Blessing or cursing. Life or death. (Deut. 30:19)
 - "Now that anger is in thy heart, murder is at the door." Matthew Henry
- “And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.”
 - This is very similar to what the Lord said to Eve as punishment for her sin, “...and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.”
 - Cain had apparently thought that he lost the honor and blessing that came with being the _____.
 - The Lord reassured him that if he offered an acceptable sacrifice, he (Cain) would rule over Abel. But Cain would not repent.
- Cain killed Abel. This was the first _____, and first _____ death of a human being.

V. Cain’s Punishment

- Abel’s blood cried out for _____. Christ’s blood cries out for _____. (Heb. 12:24)
- “Am I my brother’s keeper?” _____, Cain, you are.
- God curses Cain “from the earth.” This curse is two-fold:
 - First, his beloved fields will no longer “yield unto him their strength”
 - Second, he is forced to leave his fields (his home) and wander the earth
- Note that capital punishment is not yet in place. (Genesis 9:6)
- “every one that findeth me shall slay me”
 - The _____ of the world has greatly increased.
 - Where did Cain get his wife? This is before the ‘no incest’ laws. (Leviticus 18)
- We do not know what the mark was that the Lord put on Cain. Period.

VI. Cain’s Kids, Grandkids, etc.

- Enoch → Irad → Mehujael → Methushael → Lamech → Jabal & Jubal & Tubalcain
- Enoch - Who has a _____ named after him
- Lamech – The first polygamist and the second murderer.
- Jabal – Tent dweller, raised cattle
- Jubal – The music man
- Tubalcain – Brass and iron worker
- g.



VII. Seth, aka Abel’s Replacement

- THE NEW GODLY LINE. **VERY IMPORTANT!**
- His name means ‘_____’