

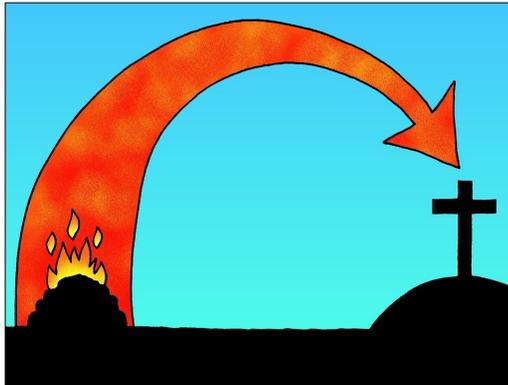
Cain refused to repent of his sins, he became envious of Abel's relationship with God, and his hatred caused him to murder. Have you ever hated someone?

"Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer" 1 John 3:15

Unlike Cain, Abel was

not trusting his good works to save him. "By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous..." Hebrews 11:4

All of the blood sacrifices in the old testament point toward the Lord Jesus Christ who suffered, shed his blood and died on the cross to wash away our sins. "...he was buried,



and... he rose again the third day" 1 Corinthians 15:4



Are you willing to repent (turn from your sins) and place your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ? God will forgive all your sins and give you everlasting life.

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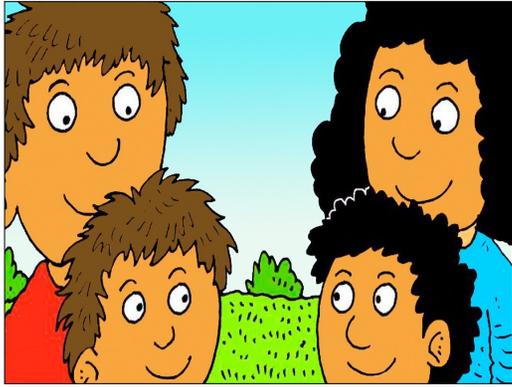
Genesis Chapter 4:1-16



The Rebel

Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer:
and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life
abiding in him.

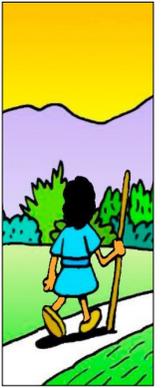
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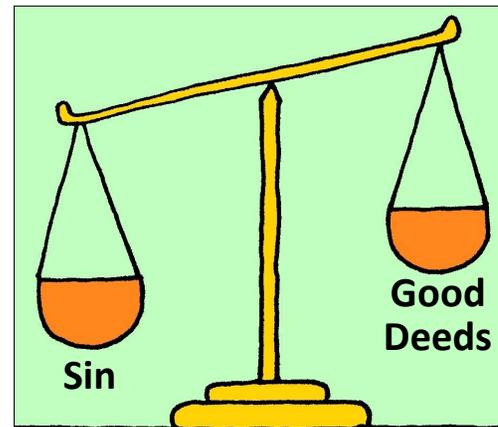
1 And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. 2 And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.



15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him. 16 And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.



Cain was rebellious about what God required of him, thinking his religion of self effort would be accepted.



God never accepts a religion of self effort. There is no amount of good works that can offset the evil of our sin and save us from judgment and hell. Cain could not work

his way to heaven, because salvation is only by God's free gift of grace.

None of us deserve eternal life. Our souls are defiled by sin, "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies" Matthew 15:19



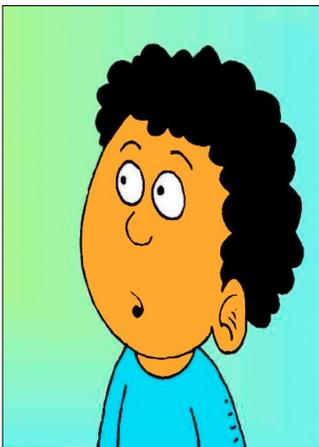


¹⁰ And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. ¹¹ And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

¹² when thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.



¹³ And Cain said unto the LORD, My punishment is greater than I can bear. ¹⁴ Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me shall slay me.



³ And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.



⁴ And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

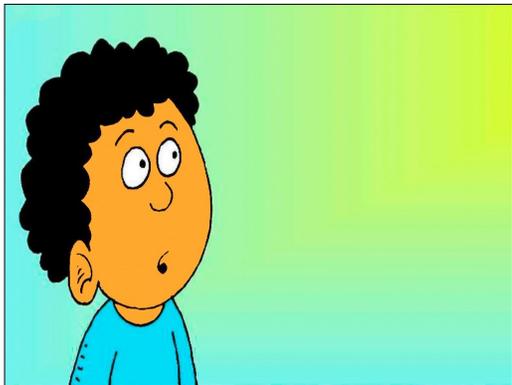




5 but unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.



6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? 7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.



8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.



9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?

