

## Old Testament

### Lesson #2

#### Genesis 4 – 5

Man was created full-grown but was not complete in his development in his relationship with God. By setting before man choices to be obedient or disobedient, he was giving man an opportunity to develop a fuller relationship with Himself. Just as today when we come to faith and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior we are only starting on our road of deeper faith, more understanding as to whom we are, and who God is. As we experience God working in our lives, and we come to know Him better through His Word, as we grow deeper in faith and love, our relationship deepens and grows. By our choices we experience good from God or evil from Satan.

Adam and Eve were choosing to be subject (obedient) or not, when they choose to eat of the tree of Good and Evil, that God had placed in the garden. The consequences of their choice resulted in God removing His Spirit (presence) from man. We begin to live by head knowledge, and not by God's direction, sin reigned....

Read Genesis 4:1-5 with Hebrews 11:4; 12:14-15 and 13:15-16.

1. Give at least two reasons why you think God accepted Abel's sacrifice but did not accept Cain's, and do some of these reason apply to us as to God's acceptance of us today? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Contrast Cain's attitude, with Abel's toward their sacrifice to God (4:2-5.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Read Genesis 4:6-8 with I John 3:10-16, I Corinthians 10:13

3. A. Which phrases in Genesis 4:6-8, suggested that God had prepared a "way of escape" from temptation and the grievous sin that Cain was later to commit? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**B. How does Genesis 4:6-7 reveal God's tender understanding of Cain's unhappy heart?** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**4. List the ways I John 3:10-16 applies to Genesis 4:1-8 (include also 4:9-15).** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Read Genesis 4:9-16 with I John 1:5-10**

**5. Give at least three proofs that although Cain may have regretted the results of killing his brother, there was no real repentance. Give verses from this chapter to prove your point.** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**6. What does I John 1:5-10 tell us about sin and what a person must do if he is to be accepted by God?**  
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**Read Genesis 4:17-24**

**7. What do we learn about Cain and his descendants from this passage? Concerning...**

- A. Development of cities** \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Agriculture** \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Inventions** \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Music** \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Cain's descendants – life style? (23)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Read Genesis 4:23-26**

**8. With the birth of Adam and Eve's son Seth, what do we learn?**  
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**Read Chapter 5 – 9. How many generations between Adam & Noah?**