# Lesson Passage—Genesis 4:1-12

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Now Abel kept flocks, and Cain worked the soil.<sup>3</sup> In the course of time Cain brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the LORD.<sup>4</sup> But Abel brought fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, <sup>5</sup> but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

<sup>6</sup> Then the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? <sup>7</sup> If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it."

<sup>8</sup> Now Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let's go out to the field." And while they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him.

<sup>9</sup> Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?"

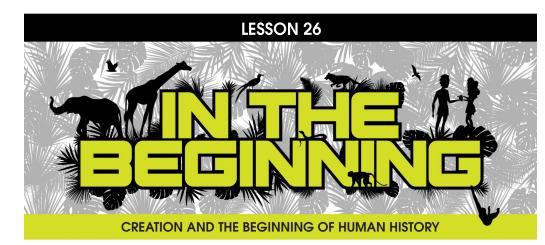
"I don't know," he replied. "Am I my brother's keeper?"

<sup>10</sup> The LORD said, "What have you done? Listen! Your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground. <sup>11</sup> Now you are under a curse and driven from the ground, which opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. <sup>12</sup> When you work the ground, it will no longer yield its crops for you. You will be a restless wanderer on the earth."

Through God's word we discover what is right and true. Then we live it out in all we say and do.



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#### THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

# Why did Cain murder Abel?

#### LESSON RHYME

C—C—Cain Son of Adam and of Eve C—C—Cain God's heart he did grieve

# Level 2—Parent Notes:

- <u>Daily Reading</u>: Read the entire booklet to the child. Go back to the appropriate day, reread the content and have the child answer questions about it from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Include personal ideas and additional questions. Read and discuss the daily Bible verse if appropriate for the child. Have the child draw a picture related to the content.
- <u>Lesson Rhyme</u>: Read the Lesson Rhyme on the next page, saying the sound of the letter instead of its name. Point to each word as you read it. Discuss the meaning of the rhyme. Have the child trace the letter with a finger and say its sound. Practice with the child the signs that go along with the Lesson Rhyme (included below). Review and repeat the rhyme every day.
- <u>Concluding Lesson</u>: Complete the activities under Concluding Lesson at the back of the book.
- <u>Completion</u>: If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson rhyme memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- <u>Way to go, parents!</u> Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn't always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

#### Lesson Rhyme Signs



C—C Make sign of "C" Cain Move "C" to forehead Son of Move arms down like rocking baby Adam Put up R index finger & then middle next to it And of Eve C—C—Cain Same as above God's heart Pat heart he did grieve Fists in front of eyes like rubbing tears

# This week I learned

# **Daily Reading Questions**

<u>Day 1</u>: Who were Cain and Abel? What did God want them to do?

<u>Day 2</u>: What did Abel give to God? What did Cain give to God? What does God want us to give to him? Why?

Day 3: Why was God pleased with Abel? Why wasn't God pleased with Cain?

<u>Day 4</u>: What was wrong with Cain? What did God warn him not to do? What did Cain do to Abel? Why did Cain do that?

<u>Day 5</u>: What curse did God put on Cain? Why did God do that?

Day 6: What will we do if we are like Cain? How do we keep from being like Cain?

# **Concluding Lesson**

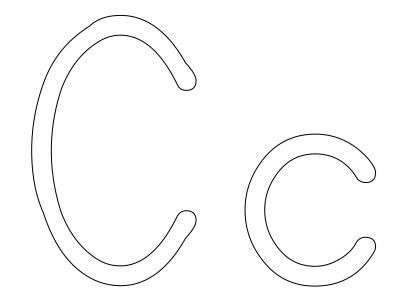
<u>Review</u>: Who were Cain and Abel? What did God want them to do? Why was God pleased with Abel? Why wasn't God pleased with Cain? What did Cain do to Abel? Why did Cain do that? How do we keep from being like Cain?

<u>Prayer</u>: Thank God that his way is a good way. Pray that you would want to follow him in all things and not to follow Satan and do what is wrong.

<u>Application</u>: Look to uncover any sin you have hidden in your heart that hurts your relationship with God.

<u>Dictation</u>: Have the child dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson. Have the child repeat back the dictation, trace over the letters and draw a picture to go with it.

# <sup>#26</sup> Who was Cain?



C—C—Cain Son of Adam and of Eve C—C—Cain God's heart he did grieve

# Day 1 Draw a picture of Cain and Abel.

Cain and Abel were the sons of Adam and of Eve In choosing to do evil, Cain God's heart did grieve. God had told the brothers to give a sacrifice of praise. They were to honor God and follow in his ways.



Draw a picture of you thinking.

Don't choose to be like Cain and end up doing wrong. If you follow Satan's lies to him you will belong. Set your mind on Jesus and love what he does love. Choose to do what's right and to honor God above.

<u>Genesis 4:1-2a</u>: <sup>1</sup> Adam lay with his wife Eve, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. She said, "With the help of the LORD I have brought forth a man." <sup>2</sup> Later she gave birth to his brother Abel. <u>1 John 3:11-12</u>: <sup>11</sup> This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another. <sup>12</sup> Do not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brother's were righteous.

### **Day 5** Draw a picture of Cain being sent away.

The blood flowed out of Abel, seeped down into the field God said the ground for Cain, no longer crops would yield. He also put a curse on Cain and sent him far away. Since Cain had followed Satan and God did not obey.

### Day 2 Draw a picture of the offerings of Cain and Abel.

Abel followed God's command, he brought the firstborn from his flock. Cain just offered up some grain from what he had in stock. God wants us to give to him the best of what we own. Giving God the best is the way great honor's shown.

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<u>Genesis 4:2b-4a</u>: Now Abel kept flocks, and Cain worked the soil. <sup>3</sup> In the course of time Cain brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the LORD. <sup>4</sup> But Abel brought fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock.

### Day 3 Draw another picture of Cain and Abel.

God was pleased with Abel, his offering it was good. He had honored God just as God had said he should But Cain did what he wanted, to please God he didn't care. So he followed evil and got trapped in Satan's snare.

## Day 4 Draw a picture of Cain killing Abel.

Of Abel Cain was jealous, his heart it wasn't right. God warned him to do good and not with Abel fight. But Cain instead killed Abel, sin had become his master. And giving into sin always leads to great disaster.

<u>Genesis 4:4b-5</u>: The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, <sup>5</sup> but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

<u>Genesis 4:6-8</u>: <sup>6</sup> Then the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? <sup>7</sup> If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it." <sup>8</sup> Now Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let's go out to the field." And while they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him.