

Chapter 4 - HANDOUT

This chapter teaches A LOT about our past, our development, the division between God's people and the world and the human heart.

Take note of these things as we go through this chapter:

1. How quickly man degenerates into a completely wicked heart.
2. Genealogies and blood-line tendencies
3. The nature and end results of sin
4. The huge gulf that exists between those who seek God and those who seek their own.

Verses 1 & 2: Adam knew his wife

As we mentioned before, we do not know if they had been physically intimate prior to this account or even prior to the fall - however, this one is recorded because it produced offspring.

IF Eve had conceived BEFORE the fall, would the child have been born with a sin nature?

Paul's account of sin entering the world...

Rom 5:12-21

"(12) Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned— (13) (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. (14) Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. (15) But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. (16) And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in condemnation, but the free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification. (17) For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) (18) Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. (19) For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. (20) Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, (21) so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Eve conceived twice and bore 2 sons...

Why does God have the birth of sons (especially the first born) mentioned FAR more than girls?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

1Cor. 11:8-12 *“(8) For man did not come from woman, but woman came from man; (9) and man was not created for woman, but woman for man. (10) This is why a woman should have a symbol of authority on her head: because of the angels. (11) However, in the Lord, woman is not independent of man, and man is not independent of woman. (12) For just as woman came from man, so man comes through woman, and all things come from God.”*

Cain & Abel

Cain - means _____

Abel - means _____

Birth and character/purpose....

Notice:

Adam - was a

Cain - was a

Abel - was a

- Where did the belief of people starting off as primitive cave-dwellers who over the long and slow process of time come from?
- When did sin and death enter the world?
- What does that have to do with evolution being right or wrong?
- What does the word “pre-historic” imply about mankind?

Two men, two offerings, two responses...

Gen 4:3-7 *“(3) And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the LORD. (4) Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the LORD respected Abel and his offering, (5) but He did not respect Cain and his offering. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell.”*

What was the difference?

- Abel was considered a _____ man - **Matt. 23:35**
- Abel's offering was made in _____ - **Heb. 11:4**
 - Abel offered the _____ born of his flock and of it's _____ which shows consistency with God's requirement in the law - **Lev. 3:16-17; 7:23-25; 17:6.**
- Cain's offering was _____ - **1 Jn. 3:12**
- Cain was serving _____ NOT God and rebelled in his _____ - **Jude 10-13**

Verses 6-7

"(6) So the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen? (7) If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it."

- When God saw that Cain internalized the rejection of his offering what did God do?
- What was God's lesson about sin
 - It _____ at the door
 - It desires to _____ you
 - You must _____ it!

Verse 8 - Cain kills Abel

Verse 9-16 - God confronts Cain

- God gives Cain the opportunity to _____.
- What was Cain's punishment?
- How is Cain's punishment similar to his fathers?
- Why is it similar...but different?

Num 15:30-31 HCSB *"(30) But the person who acts defiantly, whether native or foreign resident, blasphemes the LORD. That person is to be cut off from his people. (31) He will certainly be cut off, because he has despised the LORD's word and broken His command; his guilt remains on him."*

Verses 17-24 -The ungodly line of Cain

- Cain has a son and built a city naming both _____
- What two things is Lamech known for?
 1. _____
 2. _____

- **Jabal** = Father of all _____
- **Jubal** = Father of all _____
- **Tubal-cain** = Father of all _____

Verses 25-26 - The beginning of the Godly line of Seth

- Eve conceives again, what is his name and what does it mean? Seth with Adam
- Seth had a son named _____ and he was the beginning of the _____ line.