
Meet My People

Getting to Know God Personally Through the People of Genesis

Abel

Cain and Abel - Genesis Chapter Four

As we talked about in the introduction Moses often introduces each new section with the words "The Generations of . . ." Thereby separating the book of Genesis into unique individual segments. There is no such new segment separating the story of Adam and Eve with the story of Cain and Abel. Why is this?

Martin Luther translated verse one - "I have acquired a man, the Lord." What would such a translation indicate about Eve's faith?

The name Abel - means "empty, vain, meaningless" what lesson has Eve apparently learned since her last child?

What was the difference between the offering of Cain and the offering of Abel? (See Hebrews 11:4)

Why was Cain angry?

Gen 4:7 if you have access to a NAB (New American Bible) translation look up this verse and discuss how the translation affects ones understanding of God's words here.

Gen 4:9 - What is the similarity between this verse and the way the Lord approached Adam and Eve after their sin? What is the dissimilarity between this verse and Adam's response to the Lord?

What does verse 16 imply about the relationship that Adam and Eve had with the Lord?

v. 25 - In the following chapter we learn that Adam and Eve had many children other than Cain, Abel and Seth. Why does Eve consider Seth more important?

Think about it - Is there any gospel in chapter four of Genesis?