



DAUGHTER IN WAITING

MINISTRY

Genesis 4

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Study Notes

Read through Genesis 4.

- **What is a parallel you notice regarding Abel's work, King David's (1 Samuel 16), and The Messiah's (John 10)?**
- **How was Abel after God's heart?**
- **Why did God hold Abel's offering to a higher regard than his brother, Cain?**
- **How does God describe sin in verse 7? How does this description parallel with the enemy's scheme in 1 Peter 5:8?**
- **How would you describe Cain's calling? How did sin affect this calling?**
 - How did sin affect Cain?
 - How did Cain's sin affect Abel?
 - How might our sins affect ourselves and others?
- **What emotions overtook Cain and what did they lead him to do against Abel?**
 - What does this tell us about the nature of sin?
 - What does this tell us about the end result of sin?
- **How would you describe God's character in this text?**
 - How did God confront Cain's sin?
 - How is this similar to Genesis 3:8-11?

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- **Read Hebrews 11:3-5, why was Abel's offering acceptable as opposed to Cain's?**
 - Was Cain justified in being angry at God?
 - Did Cain repent for taking his brother's life?
 - What was God's punishment to Cain?
 - What acts of mercy did God show Cain?
 - Why did God mark Cain?
- **What act of redemption did God show Eve?**
 - How did God bring hope to a hopeless situation?
- **How was sin reflected in the life of Cain's descendant, Lamech?**
 - How does Lamech's action in verse 19 oppose God's command in Genesis 2:24?
 - What else does this tell us about sin?
- **What do you think it means that 'Cain went away from the presence of The Lord'?**
 - How might our actions and sin keep us from the presence of The Lord?
 - How might this affect our loved ones, families, and/or generations to come?

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Then the Lord said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” And the Lord said, “what have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground.”

Genesis 4:9-10

Action Item

Apply the SOAP method on these verses or another selection of your choice.

1. **Scripture:** select verse(s)
2. **Observation:** what do you notice?
3. **Application:** what are ways you can allow this verse to strengthen your faith or grow your awareness of God? How can you apply this verse this week?
4. **Prayer**