

# CAIN AND ABEL

Adam and Eve had two boys. One was named Cain, and the Aother was named Abel. Cain grew up to be a farmer, and Abel grew up to be a shepherd.

In those days people gave offerings to God in a different way than we do today. Abel gave his best little lamb as an offering, and God was pleased with his offering. Cain also had sheep he could have offered, but instead he gave an offering of some of his vegetables.

God was not pleased with Cain's offering, because Cain's attitude was wrong. Cain was jealous and became very angry with Abel because God was pleased with Abel's offering but was not pleased with his offering. So Cain killed Abel.

When God asked Cain where his brother Abel was, Cain lied, saying he didn't know. Cain should have known that God would know what he did, because God sees everything we do.

God was angry with Cain and told him he would have to leave his father and mother and go live by himself with only his wife. Cain must have felt very much like his mother and father had when God sent them out from the Garden of Eden. Now Cain was very lonely.

Parents: Discuss these questions with your child: What is a shepherd? How did Cain and Abel give offerings? Why was Cain's attitude wrong? What commandments did Cain break? Why did God send Cain away?





Parents: Discuss what benefits we receive from sheep (clothing, meat, pets).



Parents: Ask your child what it takes to make plants grow (air, water, sunlight, heat, soil).



Cain and Abel each gave offerings to God.



## Jealous Cain killed his brother Abel.

Parents: Explain that even if we hate our brother or friend, it's as bad as if we killed him.











Parents: Your child can practice these drawings on a separate sheet of paper.

## CAIN AND ABEL



Parents: Instruct your child to circle the letters above that spell these two names: CAIN/ABEL.

Sheep	Shop	Sheep	SHEEP	Shep
Cain	Come	came	Cain	Can
Abel	abel	apple	Abe	Abel
lied	line	dial	lied	lint
lamb	lamp	pam	land	lamb
Adam	Adam	add	And	made
offering	off	ring	offering	over
Eve	even	Eve	Every	elf

Parents: Instruct your child to circle the word that is the same as the one in the box at the left.

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#### WHICH WORD DOESN'T BELONG?

1.	Adam	Cain	Moses	Eve	Abel

- 2. lamb vegetables sacrifice offering tree
- 3. kill jealous hate love murder
- 4. shepherd dog farmer keeper of sheep

Parents: As you read these words aloud, have your child underline the one in each row that doesn't fit.