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Part 4: Cain & Abel

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1. Yahweh God looked with favor on Abel and his offering (Genesis 4:4). This means that Yahweh accepted/ approved what Abel was offering, but He did not accept Cain's offering. Abel gave his best and Cain gave his leftovers. What does it mean to give God your best? (Colossians 3:23-24)
2. Cain is warned that sin is crouching at his door (Genesis 4:7). What are things that you do, or could do, when sin is crouching at your door?
3. Cain's heart seemed far from Yahweh God. Read Isaiah 29:13-16 & Matthew 15:1-9. What are the things in our lives that can lead us to have hearts that are far from God?
4. What did you think about the Jerusalem Temple being a picture of what happened in Eden?
5. Humanity was to give life by reproducing and helping it to flourish, but Cain decided to take life, as if it was his to take. In what ways do we "take" away from God what is rightfully His?
6. When we wallow in our grief as Cain did (Genesis 4:13-14), what does that say about our trust in God? Consider Psalm 31, especially verses 9—14. How can we learn to trust God more?