03 - Gen 4-5 - Cain and Abel

More Unknowns

For example ...

- Was Cain conceived before or after the fall?
- How often did Cain and Abel offer sacrifices?
- Exactly how did Cain kill Abel?
- What is the mark of Cain?

A promising start

Adam and Eve have offspring...

Eve's response?

- giving thanks to God
- or taking credit for creation

A favoured offering

- ...God looked with favour on Abel
- ...but on the offering of Cain
- all to do with how Abel trusts God.
- Heb 11:4 and in 1 John 3:12.

Cain was very angry and downcast

God questions

- ... asks Cain why
- ... seeks to talk him out of making a bad choice
- ... if he does what is right he will be accepted.

Cain responds...

verse 13 - punishment is more than he can bear

The widening abyss

Verse 17-24

Lamech

... has two wives

- ... has killed a young man simply for bruising him.
- ... openly boasts of his sin

Hope remains

Seth is born.

"God has granted me another child in the place of Abel since Cain killed him"

... at that time people began to call on the name of the LORD.

For us today

God's plan of redemption

The warning from Cain

- 1 John 3:12
- Jude 11
 - ... God's judgment

The example of Abel