



First Murder

Genesis 4

First Children - fruit tree & sheep - Adam & Eve had two sons: the first of mankind's children. Cain cultivated plants and trees. Abel cared for livestock.

Blood Sacrifice - altar, animal, fire, smoke - When it was time to honor the LORD, Cain brought some of his fruit, and Abel offered meat from the firstborn of his flocks.

Brother's Keeper - two men & rock - God accepted Abel's offering and rejected Cain's. Cain became jealous, lured Abel into a field, and killed his brother.

Cursed Outcast - king, road, traveler - Cain lied to God about killing Abel. God cursed Cain and put a mark on him. God sent Cain away, and he left to go build a city.

Storytellers Sight

- Why did God not accept Cain's offering of fruit?
- What were Cain's emotions when God rejected his offering and instead favored his younger brother?
- What's significant about God warning Cain of anger?
- What triggers your anger? Describe how anger feels.
- Imagine how Abel felt when his brother attacked.
- Imagine how Adam & Eve reacted to Abel's death.
- What stands out to you about Cain's punishments?
- What do we learn about temptation in this story?