

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua Unit 6, Lesson 28

Cain and Abel

Lesson Aim: To know God wants our best in our offerings and in our relationships.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the best gift you have ever given someone?

GAME: Sibling Scramble

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO PROVIDES

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 51:10.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bible Barn script or read storybook.

THE WORD ABEL GAVE HIS BEST OFFERING

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God banished Adam and Eve from the garden after they disobeyed.

Point to Cain and Abel. **Today, we will learn about these two brothers.** Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 4:2b-9. Pray. **Listen as we read how Cain was jealous of Abel because Abel gave an offering that was more pleasing to God.** Read.

THE WAY GIVE YOUR BEST OFFERING TO GOD

Our offerings show God how much we love Him. What did Cain offer to God? (Some fruit and vegetables he had grown.) What did Abel offer to God? (The best from his flock of sheep.) Why was God not happy with Cain? (He did not offer his best to God.) Why was Cain upset with his brother? (He was jealous of Abel because God accepted Abel's offering.) Did God offer Cain a second chance to give an offering from his heart? (Yes. God said he would be accepted if he did what was right.)

What right choices could Cain have made when God accepted Abel's offering? (Cain could have celebrated with Abel. He could have made a second offering that was his best.)

What did Cain do? (He killed his brother.) Did Cain say he was sorry for killing Abel? (No.) Cain showed he was not sorry by asking, "Am

I my brother's keeper?" To be your brother's keeper is to care for and watch over your brother. Sometimes, when the Bible says brothers and sisters, it means everyone in the world, not just the people in our family. Since God wants us to care for our family and friends, what should our answer be to the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" (Yes.)

God punished Cain fairly for killing his brother. He sent Cain far away from His presence. He said crops would no longer grow for Cain and he would be a "restless wanderer."

CHRIST CONNECTION:

God was pleased with Abel's offering because it showed his faith. Abel gave the very best he had because he believed God was worth his best. Let's look in the New Testament to see how Abel's offering was explained thousands of years later. Reveal Hebrews 11:4. Read.

When we believe God is all-powerful and always good, we want to give Him our very best. Distribute blank note cards and pencils. What are some ways we can give our best to God? (Examples: tithe by giving 10% of what we earn back to God, spend time with God through prayer, sing praise songs, read the Bible, etc.) On your note card, write or draw one way you plan to give God your best this week.

Part of giving our best to God is loving others well. What are some ways we can love others? Turn your card over and write the name of a friend or family member or draw a picture of that person. Write or draw one way you can love that person well this week. Keep your note card as a reminder to give your best.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: "You Are Excellent!" Picture Puzzle Card
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Cain and Abel giving their offerings to God
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: The Best Snack

GAMES: Brother's Keeper Clothes Relay, Heart Offerings

CRAFT: "Give My Best" Gift Boxes

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Yahweh–Trust in the Lord

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