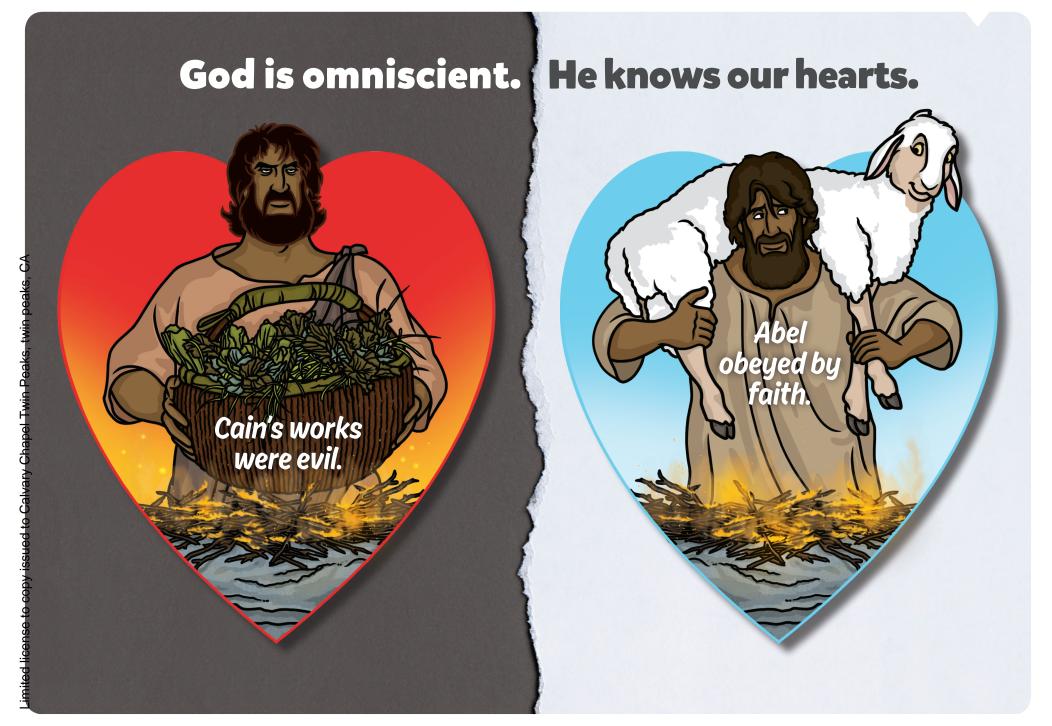


Cain and Abel





Lesson Focus

The sacrifices of Cain and Abel reveal God's demand for a pure heart of worship toward Him. The first human death occurred when Cain murdered Abel out of jealousy. In this account, God reveals that He is just to punish sin yet shows mercy to sinners as well.

Key Passages

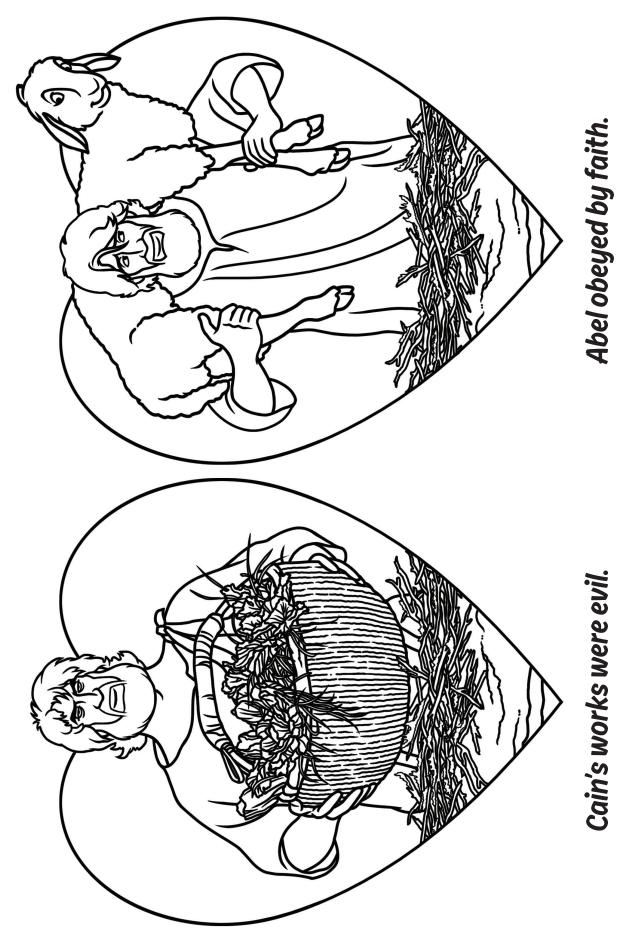
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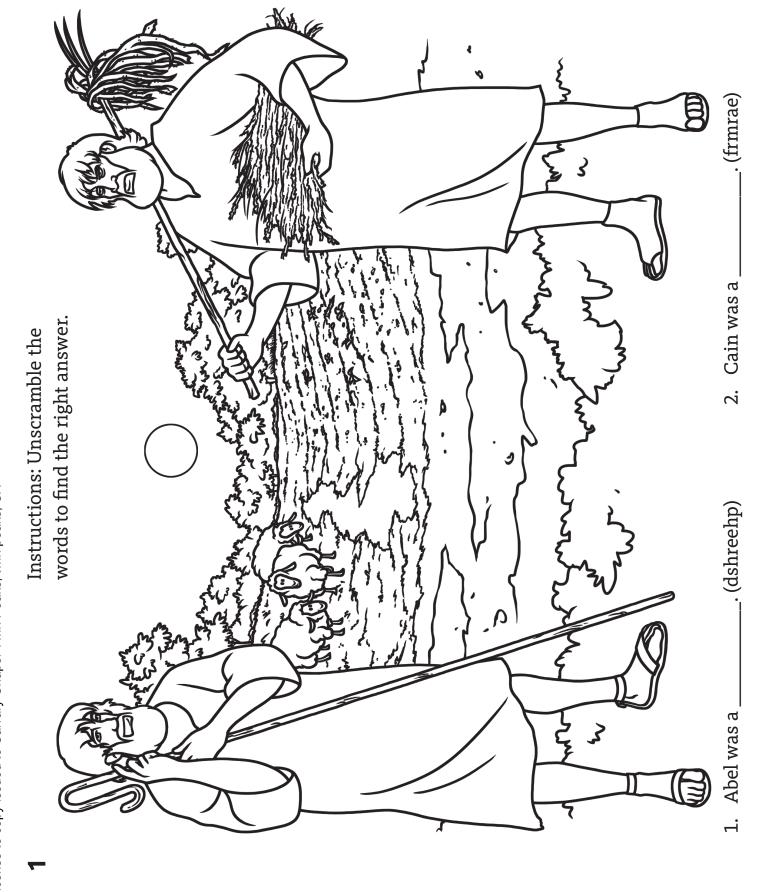
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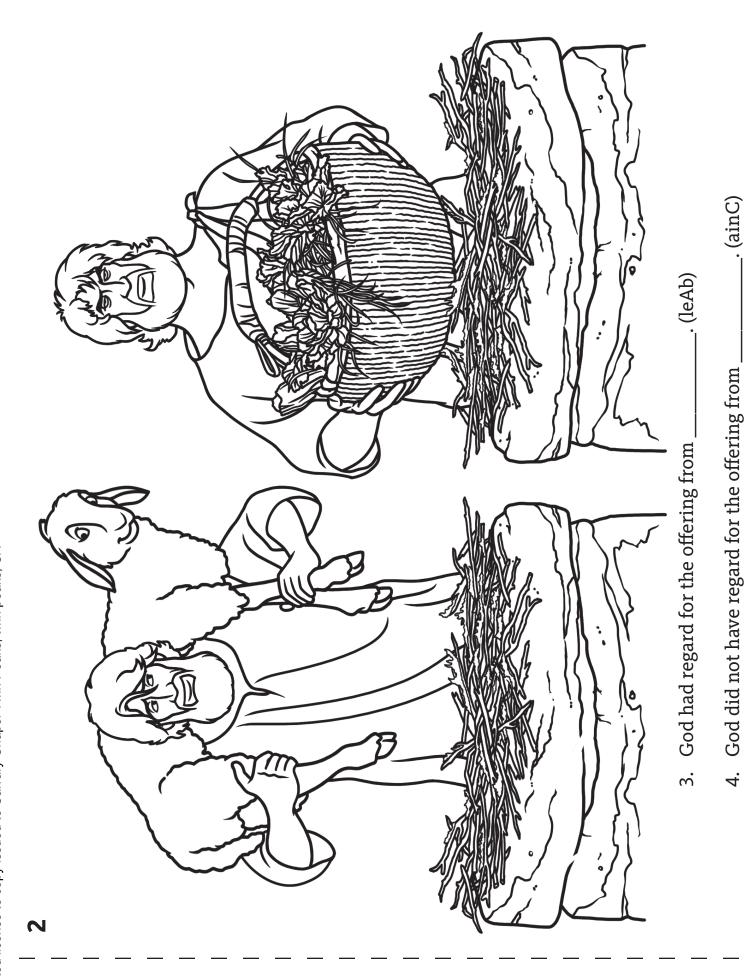
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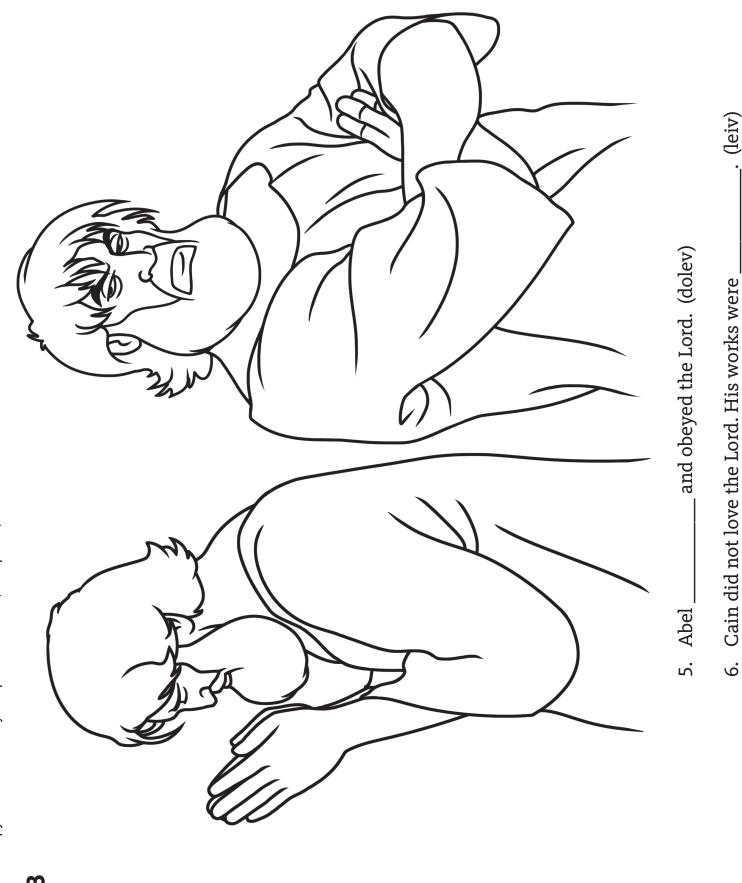
- God accepted Abel's offering because he had a righteous, obedient heart. God did not accept Cain's offering because he had a wicked, evil heart.
- God showed mercy to Cain by sparing his life.

God is omniscient. He knows our hearts









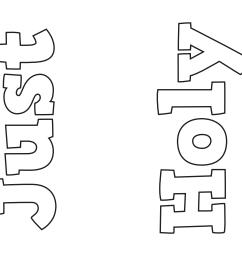
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- 7. God knows all things.



8. God may not give us the punishment we deserve.



God hates all sin and will not stand for sin.



10. God must punish sin.

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Class Notes Answer Key

- 1. Abel was a *shepherd*. (dshreehp)
- 2. Cain was a *farmer*. (frmrae)
- 3. God had regard for the offering from *Abel*. (leAb)
- 4. God did not have regard for the offering from *Cain*. (ainC)
- 5. Abel <u>loved</u> and obeyed the Lord. (dolev)
- 6. Cain did not love the Lord. His works were *evil*. (leiv)

Instructions: Draw a line from the definition to the correct attribute.

- 7. God knows all things. Omniscient
- 8. God may not give us the punishment we deserve. Merciful
- 9. God hates all sin and will not stand for sin. <u>Holy</u>
- 10. God must punish sin. *Just*

Review Questions

- 1. Who were Cain and Abel's parents? Adam and Eve.
- 2. What was Abel's job? He was a shepherd.
- 3. What was Cain's job? He was a farmer.
- 4. What did Cain bring to God as offerings? Cain brought fruit/crops.
- 5. What did Abel bring to God as an offering? Abel brought an animal. A sheep.
- 6. What did God think of Cain's offering? He did not like it.
- 7. What did God think of Abel's offering? God liked Abel's offering.
- 8. Which brother loved God and had faith in him? Abel.
- 9. Which brother was wicked and did not love God or want to obey him? Cain.
- **10.** What did Cain do to his brother? He killed Abel.
- 11. Why did Cain kill Abel? He was jealous and angry.
- 12. Why did God have to punish sin? (It is an attribute of God.) He is holy and/or just.
- 13. What other attribute did God show to Cain by giving him a special mark so no one would kill him? *Mercy, because Cain deserved to die, but God allowed him to live.*
- 14. God knew what was in Cain's and Abel's hearts. How did God know that? (It is an attribute of God.)

 He is omniscient.
- 15. Think about our memory verse. God looked down on earth. What did he see? The wickedness of man.
- **16.** Can you say the memory verse without looking? Allow several students to recite the verse.