### Genesis

## Chapter 4

1Well thereafter, Adam had [sexual relations] with Eue, his woman, so she became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. And she said:  
  
 ‘I have gained a man through God.’  
  
2Then she again gave birth to his brother, Abel.  
  
Abel [grew up to be] a herder of sheep, while Cain worked the ground.  
  
  
3Then after many days, Cain brought some of the fruit of the ground as an offering to Jehovah, 4while Abel brought the first-born of his sheep and his belongings.  
  
Well, God looked favorably upon Abel and his gifts, 5but He paid no attention to Cain and his sacrifices, which made Cain very sad, and his face [reflected] this. 6So Jehovah God asked Cain:  
  
 ‘Why are you so sad and why is your face so long? 7For even if you didn’t bring [your gifts] righteously, you didn’t sin by sharing. Overlook this, because [Abel] will submit to you and you’ll [rule] over him!’  
  
8But thereafter, Cain said to his brother Abel:  
  
 ‘Let’s go out into the fields.’  
  
Then, while they were in their fields, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him.  
  
9And when Jehovah God asked Cain:  
  
 ‘Where is your brother?’  
  
He replied:  
  
 ‘I don’t know… I’m not my brother’s keeper!’  
  
10Then Jehovah God asked:  
  
 ‘What have you done?  
  
 ‘I hear the blood of your brother calling out to Me from the ground! 11Therefore, you’ll now be cursed by the ground, which has opened her mouth wide to [drink] the blood of your brother from your hand.  
  
 12‘So from here on, whenever you work the ground, it will [no longer] give you its strength, and you’ll groan and tremble on the earth.’  
  
13Then Cain said to Jehovah God:  
  
 ‘My crime is too great to be forgiven. 14So if you [drive me] away from Your face and the face of this land today, I’ll have to hide, groaning and trembling on the land… For anyone who finds me will kill me!’  
  
15And Jehovah God replied:  
  
 ‘That isn’t so! For whoever kills Cain will pay seven penalties.’  
  
Then Jehovah God put a mark on Cain so that nobody that found him would kill him. 16And thereafter, Cain left the presence of God and lived in Nod, which also borders Edem.  
  
17There, Cain [had sex] with his woman and she became pregnant, giving birth to Enoch. [Then Cain] built a city, which he named after his son, Enoch.  
  
 • 18Enoch fathered GaiDad,  
 • GaiDad fathered MalaleEl,  
 • MalaleEl fathered MethuSelah, and  
 • MethuSelah fathered Lamech.  
  
19Then Lamech took two women; the first was Ada and the second was SelLa. 20Ada gave birth to JoBel, who was the ancestor of those who lived in tents and herded cattle. 21He had a brother named JuBal, who invented the lute and the harp.  
  
22SelLa also gave birth to ThoBel, who worked iron and brass. And he had a sister named NoEma.  
  
  
23Then Lamech said this to his women (Ada and SelLa):  
  
 ‘Listen to me, [my] women and remember;  
 I’ve killed a man who wounded me…  
 A young man who whipped me.  
 24So if the vengeance [for killing] Cain was seven punishments;  
 Mine will be seven times that.’  
  
25Well, Adam [again had sex with] his woman Eue and she became pregnant, giving birth to a son whom she named Seth. For she said:  
  
 ‘God has [provided me with] another son to replace Abel, who was murdered by Cain.’  
  
26Then Seth had a son whom he named Enos, who hoped to call upon the Name of The God, Jehovah.