bibletime Level 4 Bible Stories

"The Lord looked with favour on Abel and his offering."

Genesis 4: 4

STUDY 1: Cain and Abel

Worshipping God





The story of the book of Genesis moves rapidly on from the Creation. God had made everything and it was "very good". Then there had been Adam and Eve's "fall" into sin and God's judgment upon them and all mankind. Now we have the tragedy of the first murder. This must have been one of the worst moments in the lives of Adam and Eve. Their act of disobedience to God had led their first son to murder his brother.

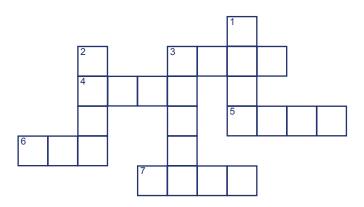


Suggested Further Reading: • Matthew 23: 34 & 35 • 1 John 3: 11 & 12 • Jude 11

Q: CROSSWORD

Clues Down

- 1. The Lord put a _ _ _ on Cain.
- 2. Adam and Eve's eldest son.
- God told Cain that his brother's ____ was crying out to Him from the ground.



Clues Across

- 3. Cain told God that his punishment was too much for him to ____ .
- 4. Adam and Eve's second son.
- 5. God asked Cain where his brother was. Cain said that he did not _ _ _ _ .
- 6. God told Cain that _ _ _ was crouching (lying) at the door.
- 7. Cain went to live in the land of Nod ("Wandering") east of _ _ _ _ .

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At first glance, it might seem unfair that God was not prepared to accept Cain's offering when He was happy with Abel's. After all, both had brought something to offer to God from their everyday work! However, if we look into this carefully, we may discover things which help us to understand the situation better.

Q: Look at 1 John 3: 11 and 12. In these verses, to whom does it say Cain belonged?





Q:	According to 1 John 3: 12, why did Cain murder Abel?	12
It wo	ould seem that Cain was jealous of Abel. We should not be like Cain.	/
Q:	According to 1 John 3: 11, what should our attitude be to other people?	/1
Q:	Look back to Genesis 3: 17-19. What did God do to the ground because of Adam's sin?	
Q:	What did God say the ground would now produce?	/1 /1
Q:	What words in 3: 19, suggest that mankind would have to work very hard to get a harvest from the earth?	
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	h had worked very hard and his offering may have looked better than Abel's, but it wasn't God wanted. Look at the Key Verse.	
	What did Abel have which Cain did not have?	/1
Q:	What happened next? Fill in the missing words.	
	Cain was very	
	Cain Abel.	
	Cain lied to God to try to cover up his	
	God had to Cain.	/4
than anim we n	I believed God and obeyed what God told him to do. He offered God a better sacrifice a Cain. Abel came to God in the way which God wanted; which was by sacrificing an hal to make amends for his sins. If we want to come to God and be accepted by Him, must come in God's way and that is through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, who, on the is, sacrificed Himself for us.	

Cain wanted to be accepted by God but on his own terms. A lot of people are like that. They say to God, "Look at all the good things I've done," or "I've never done anything really bad," and so they think that God should accept them into Heaven. But no one can ever be good enough. We are all sinners. We need to be cleansed by the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ (1 John 1: 7).

In verse 7 God warned Cain to be careful. But Cain did not listen. One sin soon led to another - and

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STUDY 2: Enoch and Noah

Walking with God





Enoch was seven generations on from Adam and was a descendant of Seth, the third son born to Adam and Eve. Enoch was a prophet (Jude 14 and 15). As the first prophet of God he brought a special message from God to the people. He warned them that the Lord would judge the ungodly.



Suggested Further Reading: • Psalm 86: 11-13 • Luke 17: 26 & 27 • Jude 14 & 15

FAMILY TREE

Q: Fill in the missing names. The first one is done for you.

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Q:	What relation was Enoch to Noah? Enoch's son, Methuselah, lived longer than any other person mentioned in the Bible. He was probably the oldest man who has ever lived.	/1
Q:	How old was he when he died?	/1
	Enoch, however, did not die. He was one of only two men who left the world without dying, Elijah being the other. See 2 Kings 2: 11.	
Q:	When his life on earth was over, what happened to Enoch?	/1
Q:	In the Key Verses, we read that Enoch, like Abel, had something. What was it?	/1
Q:	In the same verses, what is Enoch commended for?	/1

"Without faith it is impossible to please God." (Hebrews 11: 6)



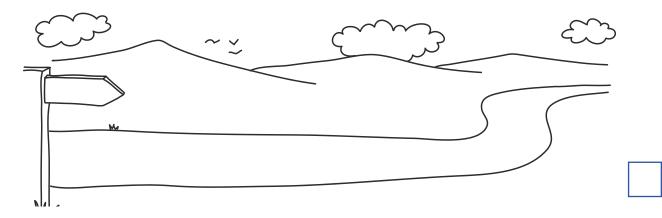


Enoch and Noah are both described as men who "walked with God". This means that they lived close to God as His friends. They are the only two men in the Bible of whom this is said.

oah stood out from everybody else. With God, no one is ever lost in a crowd. God knows ich one of us individually. Sometimes we might prefer it if God didn't see everything we did hear everything we say. He knows even our thoughts and motives - everything! There as sin and wickedness all around Noah, yet he stood out as different!
: As God looked down on the earth in Noah's day, what did He see?
Q: How did God feel about this?
Q: What did God decide to do?

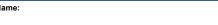
What does God see as He looks down on the earth today? Much the same as He saw in the time of Noah - and His heart is grieved. What does He see as He looks at your life? Do you stand out as different from everybody else because of your faith in God? Do you want to walk with God as Enoch and Noah did? Then make Psalm 86: 11 your prayer.

Q: Write out the first part of Psalm 86: 11 on the road below.



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STUDY 3: Noah and the flood

Working for God





God had a plan so that Noah and his family could escape His judgment. He gave Noah detailed instructions about making an Ark.



Suggested Further Reading: • Matthew 24: 37-39 • 1 Peter 3: 17-22 • 2 Peter 2: 4 & 5 • 2 Peter 3: 3-9

Q: With what was Noah to coat the Ark on the inside and outside?]
This was to make it waterproof.	
Q: How big was the Ark? Put each dimension beside the appropriate arrow.	
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These dimensions are similar to the proportions of a modern ocean liner. In length, it was greater than a football pitch!	
Q: How many decks (storeys) was it to have?][]/1
God also gave Noah detailed instructions about what was to go into the Ark with him, the animals, birds, reptiles and food. Noah accepted God's instructions without hesitation.	
Q: Write a verse from chapter 6 which tells us that Noah obeyed God's instructions.	





Q: In chapter 7, many numbers are mentioned. Find in which verse each of the following numbers appears. To what does it refer?

Number	Verse	What it refers to	
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(3 times)			
600			
40			
150			/6
Q: Who	closed the	door of the Ark?	/1
	nany peop	le were saved in the Ark?	
(Work	it out from	the Bible Reading or look at 1 Peter 3: 20)	/1
Q: Which	verse tell	s us that the whole earth was covered by floodwaters?	
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		ntil it was completed (1 Peter 3: 20) and Noah preached	
		eople (2 Peter 2: 5). However, not one, apart from his immediate elieved. All the people just carried on in their sinful ways.	
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The Ark and its strange cargo was borne along by the floodwaters, watched over and kept safe by God. God watches over us too, through our lives, and keeps us safe in His hand if we trust in Him.

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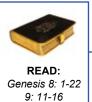


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STUDY 4: Noah and his family

Worshipping God





For 40 days torrents of water flooded the earth covering even the highest mountains. But God had not forgotten Noah and everything that was in the Ark!



Suggested Further Reading: • John 3: 36 • Hebrews 11: 6

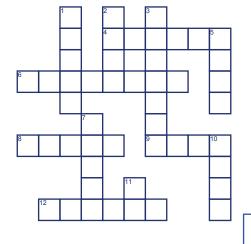
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Clues Down

- 1. A dove brought a leaf from this tree to Noah.
- 2. This stopped falling from the sky.
- 3. This was the sign God put in the sky.
- 5. The flood covered the _ _ _ of the mountains.
- 7. The first bird Noah released from the Ark.
- 10. The second bird Noah released from the Ark.
- 11. Noah and his family were told to _ _ out of the Ark.

Clues Across

- 4. The Ark came to rest on these mountains.
- 6. Another word for promise. (Used in 9: 11)
- 8. Noah built this to sacrifice burnt offerings on.
- 9. God sent this over the earth to dry the waters.
- 12. Noah opened this to send out the birds.



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ว:	When did the mountaintop become visible again?	L
ว:	When had the water gone away? (see verse 13)	
Q :	When was the earth completely dry?	
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The first thing Noah did on setting foot on dry land once again was to build an altar on which to offer sacrifices to the Lord. This was a gesture of thanksgiving and worship to God. God had saved him and his family from His judgment on a sinful world.

Q:	As God saw the sacrifice, what did He say He would never do again?	
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Q: What Eld	SHT things did Go	od promise	would never	cease?			
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Y 2:							
Y 3:							
Y 4:							