

Foundation Critical: “The Conflict Between the Two Seeds” – Genesis 4:1-15

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“Genesis is a book of firsts. This chapter features the first mother, the first birth, the first family, the first murder, the first martyrdom, and the first conflict between the two seeds of Adam” (Jeremiah study bible footnote). We are also introduced to Divine Institution #3, the family. God’s intended purpose for the marriage was for the man and the woman to be fruitful and multiply. In no other human relationship (except between a man and a woman), is marriage biblically justified.”

- I. The Two “_____” – vs. 1-5
 - a. Cain’s _____ – v. 3
 - b. _____ offering – v. 4
 - c. God’s _____ – v. 5

- II. Fallen _____ – vs. 6-9
 - a. Make the _____ choice, man! – vs. 6-7
 - b. _____ Cain – vs. 8-9

- III. The Consequences of _____ – vs. 10-16
 - a. The _____ murder – vs. 10-11
 - b. A fugitive and a _____ – v. 12
 - c. Hidden from the _____ of God – vs. 13-14
 - d. The _____ on Cain – v. 15

- IV. Takeaways
 - a. Desire to please God by yielding and _____ Him.
 - b. Be willing to accept God’s _____.
 - c. Don’t be _____ person.

The conflict between the two seeds is often forgotten about as we read and study our bibles, but this sub-theme runs throughout the pages of Scripture until Christ crushes the head of Satan through His death and resurrection. In the Church Age, however, the spiritual battle continues. We must come to a place of understanding, but more importantly, of recognition of an unseen spiritual battle all around us. Unknowingly, we are in the midst of that battle. “For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood...” Ephesians 6:12a - It is not our battle, but it is God’s battle! And it is through our yielding and obedience to God’s word, through our faith walk, in dependence of our Lord Jesus Christ, and our close fellowship with our Savior that we can live a victorious life, as God claims victory upon victory over Satan. Do not allow pride to become the deciding factor in the spiritual battle in your own life. Live your life in dependence upon God, yielding and obeying His Word because He is the One Who is always and will forever be our Jehovah Elohim (LORD God).

~Pastor Alan