



BEGINNING
OF VICTORY
A STUDY OF GENESIS
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6. THE BEGINNING OF SIN

The Enemy: The Serpent

- Revelation 12:9

“And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan...”

Revelation 20:2

“And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan.”

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- John 8:44

“You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.”

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A pattern to observe

SAW AND TOOK: Genesis 3:6 Eve saw and took

SAW AND TOOK: Genesis 6:2 The Sons of God saw and took

SAW AND TOOK: Genesis 38:2 Judah saw and took a woman

SAW AND TOOK: 2 Samuel 11:2-4 David saw Bathsheba and took her

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Some Thoughts

When it comes to sin...

1. It will disappoint
2. Man often has a hard time accepting responsibility
3. There will be consequences
4. God is always right.

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1. "A doubt in God's commands or promises..."
2. "A concern with oneself..."
3. "Trusting in what one feels..."
4. "Perhaps the most dangerous thing we can ever do is look at temptation through our eyes; rather, we must look at everything- especially temptation – through the lens of God's word. In our eyes, it will always look good. Through the lens of the Bible, it will always look bad."

7. THE SPREAD OF SIN AND DEATH

“By faith Abel offered to God a better sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained the testimony that he was righteous, God testifying about his gifts, and through faith, though he is dead, he still speaks.”

Hebrews 11:4

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“Woe to them! For they have gone the way of Cain, and for pay they have rushed headlong into the error of Balaam, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.”

Jude 11

“For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another; not as Cain, who was of the evil one and slew his brother. And for what reason did he slay him? Because his deeds were evil, and his brother’s were righteous.” 1 John 3:11-12

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Abel was a keeper of flocks...

Cain was a tiller of the ground...

Both would give an offering to God

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1. What warning did God give Cain after rejecting his sacrifice? How did Cain respond?
 - “Why are you angry?” A great question!
 - “If you do well, will not your countenance be lifted up?” Or “surely you will be accepted.”
 - Sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it.

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2. What was God's curse on Cain? In what way did God extend grace to Cain?

- VS 11-12: Curse
 - He would no longer yield fruit from the land
 - He would no longer be successful with his trade
- VS 13-14: Cain's response
- VS 15: Grace extended to Cain

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3. What was Moses' original audience in the middle of as they heard this account for the first time? What would they learn from it?

- Cain was cursed with wandering in the wilderness because of sin.
- The Israelites were wandering as a result of sin.

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4. Considering Leviticus 24:20, was Lamech's action justifiable?

- Genesis 4:23 we see Lamech killed a man for wounding a man.
- His action was not justifiable

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5. How does Lamech add to the sin of murder with the sin of blasphemy?

- He declares what his punishment was to be instead of God in Verse 24

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7. Considering the contrast between Genesis 4:16 and Genesis 4:26, what was the difference between the descendants of Cain and those of Seth

- Cain: Went out from the presence of the LORD
- Seth: They begin to call upon the name of the LORD

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8. Why is Seth so significant to Moses' original audience?

- Importance of lineage
- Working through a new generation

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9. How was Enoch different from the rest of the list in Genesis 5? Why was he different?

- He “walked with God” and did not die.
- The LORD took him.

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10. Cain also had a son named Enoch. Cain built a city and named it after him apparently hoping to memorialize his son despite his own condemnation to wander. What is going to happen to the city named after Cain's Enoch in the next few chapters of Genesis?

- It would eventually be destroyed by the flood.

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11. Considering Hebrews 11:5, 13-16, how has the city of Seth's Enoch fared?

- Those who call upon the LORD and walk by faith have a heavenly city

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12. Why did the wandering Hebrews need to hear about these two Enochs?

- Trust in God and follow His instructions and He will provide a lasting home and protection.
- They must walk with God.

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13. What had the sons of Cain's Lamech accomplished back in Genesis 4:19-22?

- They were working men.
- They invented and created a lot of things.
- It would all eventually be destroyed.

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14. What would the son of Seth's Lamech accomplish according to Genesis 5:29?

- His son (Noah) would be used by God to build the ark
- What's emphasized is his faith, righteousness, and not his physical accomplishments

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15. What do you learn from the contrast?

- One man's kids were successful and influential as the world goes, but would eventually all be destroyed
- Another man's actions would help save the world