

The First Murder

Genesis 4:1-16



Simple Truth from Genesis

The Bible is a library with 66 books in it.
Genesis is the first book in the Bible.
It tells how God created the world
and outlines the history of the first people.

In the 'Simple Truth' Irene Green retells 18 stories from Genesis.
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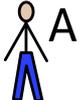
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Reading the stories.

1. Reading the text with symbols gives you the basic story.
2. Reading all the text gives you the simple truth.
3. Reading with a partner is fun!

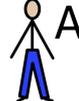
Will you read the text with symbols or the text without symbols?

   
Adam and Eve have two babies.

The first man's name is Adam.

Adam names the first woman Eve.

They have two babies.

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Cain is a farmer and Abel is a shepherd.

Adam and Eve name the first baby Cain.

They name the second baby Abel.

In time they grow up to be men.

     
Cain gives God some of the food he has grown.

Cain grows food on his farm.

At harvest time he gives some of the food to God.

It is a gift to God.

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Abel looks after the sheep in his flock.

At harvest time he gives the best parts of his best sheep to God.

It is a gift to God.

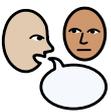


Soon Cain is very angry.

God is pleased with Abel and his gift.

God is not so pleased with Cain and his gift.

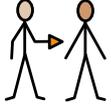
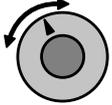
Cain is sad and very angry because God is not pleased with him.

  Cain  sin.

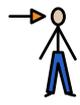
God sees that Cain is very angry.

God talks to Cain.

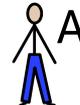
God says, "If you do good things I will be pleased with you."

 You  must  control  that  sin.

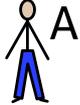
God says, "If you do right things you will be right with me.
If you do wrong things then you will have sin in your life.
Your sin will want to control you."

 Cain  attacks  Abel  and  murders him.

Cain says, "Let's go out to the field."
Cain and Abel go to the field.
In the field Cain murders Abel.

 God  knows  when  Cain  murders  Abel.

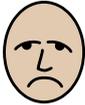
God says, "Where is your brother Abel?"
Cain says, "I don't know!"
Is it my job to watch and care for my brother?"

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Cain murders Abel and this is wrong.

Murder is wrong.

It is a sin.

When Cain murders Abel his blood goes into the ground.

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God is not pleased with Cain.

God makes bad things happen to the ground.

When Cain plants crops the ground will not help them grow.

God tells Cain he will have to wander from place to place.

  
Cain thinks he will be killed.

Cain is sad.

He will have no home.

He will not be near God.

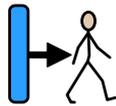
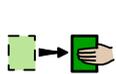


God protects Cain.

God says, "If anyone hurts Cain I will punish them."

God puts a mark on Cain.

The mark shows that no person should kill him.



Cain moves away from God.

Cain knows he cannot stay in one place.

He must wander from place to place.

He goes to live in the land of Nod.