

**CCD GRADE 4: JESUS OUR GUIDE**

Chapter 2: The World’s First Murder

 PREPARATION – How to Get Ready

Teacher’s Manual: pp. 16-23

Materials: small paper sacks, markers/crayons, slips of paper

 PROCLAMATION – Main Theme

 The Savior would come from Adam and Eve’s third son, Seth.

 EXPLANATION – Content of Lesson

* Cain and Abel were Adam and Eve’s first sons.
* Abel became a shepherd
* Cain became a farmer
* Abel prefigured Christ and offered his best lamb.
* Both made sacrifices
* discuss what makes something a sacrifice and some examples
* Cain brought an offering to the Lord of his crops
* Abel brought one of the best the firstlings from his flock which pleased the Lord
* Cain was jealous and slew Abel.
* God warned Cain about his jealousy, but he didn’t listen
* Thoughts lead to actions and because Cain was jealous he killed his brother Abel
* Discuss that all actions have consequences and the consequences of Cain’s sin
* God would bring forth a Savior through the lineage of Seth.

 APPLICATION – Connecting it to Students

* What sacrifices can we make? What is the intention of our heart when we are making a sacrifice—love of God or some other reason? What are some of the consequences of our actions—now and also for eternity?
* Make a sacrifice bag
* That Story of Cain and Abel—tells the story of Cain and Abel <http://safeshare.tv/w/WqjJMZYtaK>

 CELEBRATION - Conclusion

* Pray the Act of Contrition; focusing on the point that we are heartily sorry because we offend God, not just because we are afraid of not going to Heaven.