

1. What has been the most valuable thing you have ever lost? Did you ever find it? Was it replaceable? What does it feel like when we discover something important to us has been lost? What lost thing is God describing in Luke 19:10?
2. Read Genesis 4:1-7. With what emotion does Cain respond to God's correction? Are there ever times in your life when your first instinct is to respond in anger? What should we do when we feel anger swelling up inside of us? Read Ephesians 4:26-27. How long should we wait before dealing with our anger?
3. Read Genesis 4:8. Cain lashes out against the most visible representation of God to him. Do people still strike out against others that represent God to them? What might that look like in your life – for someone to lash out at a believer because of their faith? Christians around the world suffer for the name of Christ, but here in America it happens too! Read Acts 5:41. The apostles rejoiced because they were counted worthy of suffering what? How do Christians suffer from dishonor in America in 2022?
4. Read Genesis 4:9-16. How does God respond to Cain when he is afraid for his life? How does God show Cain grace even in his punishment? Does God still show grace to unrepentant sinners? What might that look like?
5. Read Genesis 4:19-22. What are some technological advancements described in this section? Technology can be a great tool! But technology can also provide the means of horrible atrocities. Technology, like art, provides a means of expressing the heart of the creator. What is the danger of great technological advancements devoid of a love for God? Can you think of any great politicians, businesses, or civilizations, that though they were quite advanced, fell due to moral corruption?
6. Read Genesis 4:23-24. Lamech desires to add onto how God said He would avenge Cain, should anyone attack him. How do Lamech's words compare with what Jesus said to Peter, in Matthew 18:21-22?
7. Read Genesis 4:25-26. In the midst of so much sin, verse 26 describes people beginning to worship – to call on the name of the Lord. Is it our first inclination to worship in the midst of tragedy? How might worshipping God during tough times, change our outlook?