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SERIES: The Story Begins (Gospel Project)

SERMON 4: "Brother's Keeper"

TEXT: Genesis 4:1-16

DATE: October 1/2, 2016

Sin's Trajectory

The way of sin leads _____.

Sin's Sickness

Sin's sickness is highly _____.

Sin's Destination

Sin ends in _____.

Am I My Brother's Keeper?

Sin moves us to see each other as _____

Not as we truly are: _____.

We are a people _____,

_____ people.

DISCUSSION GUIDES

Small Group Discussion Questions:

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. What associations do you bring into this study about Cain?
3. There are many different truths to see in the story of Cain & Abel, read Genesis 4:1-16, what sticks out the most for you?
4. Who do you relate to most in this story?
5. What was conflict like for you growing up? What is conflict like now? Do you hear echoes of your past in the present?
6. Read Genesis 4:6-7. God speaks to Cain in the midst of his anger. What sticks out to you about what God says?
7. After Cain murdered Abel, why do you think God asked Cain where Abel was?
8. Who is your brother?
9. Looking back over this week's sermon and study, what one thing is most important for you to remember and apply?

Family Discussion Questions:

1. In what ways has jealousy gotten in the way of our family relationships?
2. Why is it important for our family to model forgiveness toward one another?
3. How well does our family model God's response to sin, not with fierce accusations but with an invitation to repent?

CHRIST CONNECTION

Jesus is the Son of Eve that will put an end to sin and death.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

What is sin?