

4) Here in Gen. God sentenced Cain - He punishes him by making him be a wanderer, though God forbids his family to kill him in revenge. All the people on earth were Cain's relatives remember, & he was afraid of their vengeance. But God said that even though guilty Cain is His property & not to be killed.

Probably Cain was given the opportunity ^{again} to repent, but God's long suffering is not weakness. It is Grace. It is not God's will that any should perish apart from Him (I Pet. 3:9)

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| <p><u>Abel</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Offered the pick of his flock b) Abel <u>believed</u> God - <u>humble</u> c) Abel offered the <u>sacrifice</u> God demanded - the symbol of Christ's death - for his <u>sins</u> d) <u>Loved</u> God - bowed to Him in <u>worship</u> e) <u>Genuine believer</u> - desired <u>wanted forgiveness</u> on God's terms f) <u>Genuine repentance</u> for his <u>condition</u> | <p><u>Cain</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) offered the <u>fruit</u> of his <u>hands</u> b) Cain <u>arrogant</u> & <u>unbelieving</u> c) Cain <u>refused</u> to accept God's estimate of his <u>needs</u> & his <u>sins</u> - he was <u>WILL-ful</u> d) <u>Angry</u> at God - <u>arrogant</u> & <u>unbending</u> e) <u>formal professor</u> - <u>demanding acceptance</u> on <u>own ground</u> - <u>denying</u> fallen <u>condition</u> & <u>sin</u> - f) <u>refusal</u> to <u>admit sin</u> - results in <u>hate</u> - <u>resentment</u> <u>murder</u> |
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The System - The Harmonious Order
 There is a MIND behind the World System
 (Jo. 12:31, 14:30, 16:11)

The Mind is a Ruler - a Power - World forces of darkness (Eph. 6:12, 2:1-2)
 It is run by the Power of the EVIL ONE - (I Jo. 5:19)
 (I Jo. 5:4) who is the God of this world (II Cor. 4:4)
 and the Ruler of the Kingdoms (Lu. 4:4)

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⑤ ^{Definition} KOSMOS The World System is anything that continues and prosper without God - it, in fact, becomes an establishment, ^{then a system} which locks God out - doesn't need Him (Tower of Babel - Nimrod ^{Anti-christ})

Man in rebellion against God always erects an establishment - which becomes system like a Cerypalis - a wall around himself and his own accomplishment. His establishment consumes him, makes sense to him, is the area where he can achieve - His establishment becomes his own substitute for God until, ^{finally} man makes a system with his own morals apart from God so he won't have to be responsible to God.

⑧ Thus God is locked out of man's system.
⑨ And Satan is behind this whole scene arranging all parts of new establishment + closed systems to keep man from thinking about his loss of God.

Into this world-wide system run by God's powerful enemy, we are born - born dead in our sins, apart from God ^{our bodies} - filled with the lust of the flesh, pride of life, & the lust of the eyes - ^{as we grow} we are trained to go out & accomplish & be successful in the world system.

Note what the world system started
Cain's line: ① He built a city
"Strong" ② Lamech - killed a boy for wounding him
"traveler" ③ Jabel - agriculturalist
"trumpeter" ④ Jubal - music
"metal work" ⑤ Tubal-cain - forger of metals - jewelry, ornaments, weapons
"beauty" ⑥ Naamah

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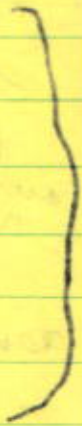
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Cain's line is remarkable - here we have all the ingredients of modern life - travel, music, arts, the use of metals, the organized political life, and the domestication of animals

all of this is good - but now it is all fallen & organized by unbelieving man, run by Satan out of God's control - it all has in it the seed of chaos, anarchy & death & destruction

→ Violence

→ polygamy (Lamech) Torture of sexual excess

→ technocratic society - man is a machine

→ family - subject to the state, individualistic disintegration

→ vindication of violence to protect our rights

We won't face the facts about our fallen humanity until the chaos & anarchy lead to the rule of the anti-Christ under Satan's control. When the whole of humanity faces extermination - killing each other off, then Christ will return to set it all straight & restore order ^{recreate} God's original creation

Jesus said But until then there is the broad way which many are taking - it looks so logical but it leads to destruction

And then there is the narrow way - the way which leads to eternal life - the way where a person lives distinct from the world system, bowing to God - relating to Him through Jesus Christ, being NOT loving the world - living with the Christian mind. Seth's line "they began to call upon the name of the Lord". It's always been NARROW

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