

Abel—Lesson talking points and worksheet review

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Abel

Lesson:

The sacrifice of faith...He speaks

The reward of faith...Righteousness

Verse: By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous. Hebrews 11:4

Introduction: Sword drill – listen for common word. A very important word for Christians – without this, we have nothing. A sword drill is when students practice using their “sword”- their Bible. The teacher says the Bible reference and the student race to be the first to read the verse.

- Romans 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living **sacrifice**, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
- Hebrews 9:26 ...but now, once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the **sacrifice** of himself.
- 1 Samuel 15:22 And Samuel said, Hath the Lord as great delight in burn offerings and **sacrifices**, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than **sacrifice**, and to hearken than the fat of rams.
- Hebrews 13:15 By him therefore let us offer the **sacrifice** of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name.
Psalm 4:5 Offer the **sacrifices** of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.

Story:

- The theme of this camp is faith – looking at heroes of faith.
- Don't we all have faith? (use example of chair). What makes these characters so special? They are examples of essential components of faith.

- Today's story is the start – without this, faith is meaningless. We are going to look at the sacrifice of faith.

- **Who were the first man and woman on the earth?** Adam and Eve. **What can you tell me about them?** They sinned. **What did God do after they sinned?** Read Genesis 3:21.

- Imagine the horror of Adam and Eve. They have never seen death, never seen blood, never seen pain – and now, for the first time they are seeing the cost of their sin – the need for someone to die, the need for sacrifice. They would never forget it.

- Moving forward, they have two boys (Genesis 4:2) – **what are their names?** Cain and Abel. **What are their jobs?** Shepherd and farmer.

- What did they know they needed to do? A sacrifice – imagine how many times Adam and Eve would have told them about that terrible day.

- **Why did they bring one?** They had sinned.

- **What did they bring?** Show picture. The shepherd brings a lamb, the farmer brings fruit. It makes sense doesn't it? Seems so logical. The result – Read Genesis 4:4-5.

- **What was the problem?** No death. Cain failed to recognize the seriousness of sin and its consequence. He had faith – but in the wrong thing.

- The consequence for Abel – Cain, in anger kills his brother. But is that the end of Abel?

- Read Hebrews 11:4. Being dead, He speaks

- What does he tell us? What can we learn? Complete worksheet.

- o The sinfulness of man – Romans 3:23. All have sinned.

- o The holiness of God – Isaiah 6:3 Sin must be punished

- o The way of salvation – Hebrews 9:22 Without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness

- o The pleasure of God – Isaiah 53:10 It pleased the Lord to bruise Him.

Activity:

Placemat activity: find verses relating to their topic out of a list of verses (page 2)

Verse:

Have them write out Hebrews 11:4. Then practice it – ping-pong.

Quiet Time Reading:

Romans 3:9-28

What does God have to say about mankind in this section?

What do you learn about faith in this chapter?

Abel...

The Sacrifice of Faith - He speaks
The Reward of Faith - Righteousness



Verse: _____

Verse List

All have sinned and come short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23

There is none righteous, no, not one. Romans 3:10.

They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one. Psalm 14:3

But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags. Isaiah 54:6

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it? Jeremiah 17:9

And they cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory. Isaiah 6:3

He which hath called you is holy. 1 Peter 1:15

I am the Lord your God...you shall be holy; for I am holy. Leviticus 11:44

But now the righteousness of God...is manifested. Romans 3:21

The Lord is righteous in all His ways, and holy in all His works. Psalm 145:17

Without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. Hebrews 9:22

Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. John 1:29

You were not redeemed with corruptible things...but with the precious blood of Christ. 1 Peter 1:18

Christ Jesus, whom God has set forth to be a

propitiation through faith in His blood. Romans 3:25

But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made near by the blood of Christ. Ephesians 2:13

Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He hath put Him to grief. Isaiah 53:10

He (God) shall see of the travail of His soul, and shall be satisfied. Isaiah 53:11

The Lord looked with favour on Abel and his offering. Genesis 4:4

He (the Lord Jesus Christ) humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name. Philippians 2:8-9

Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. Ephesians 5:2