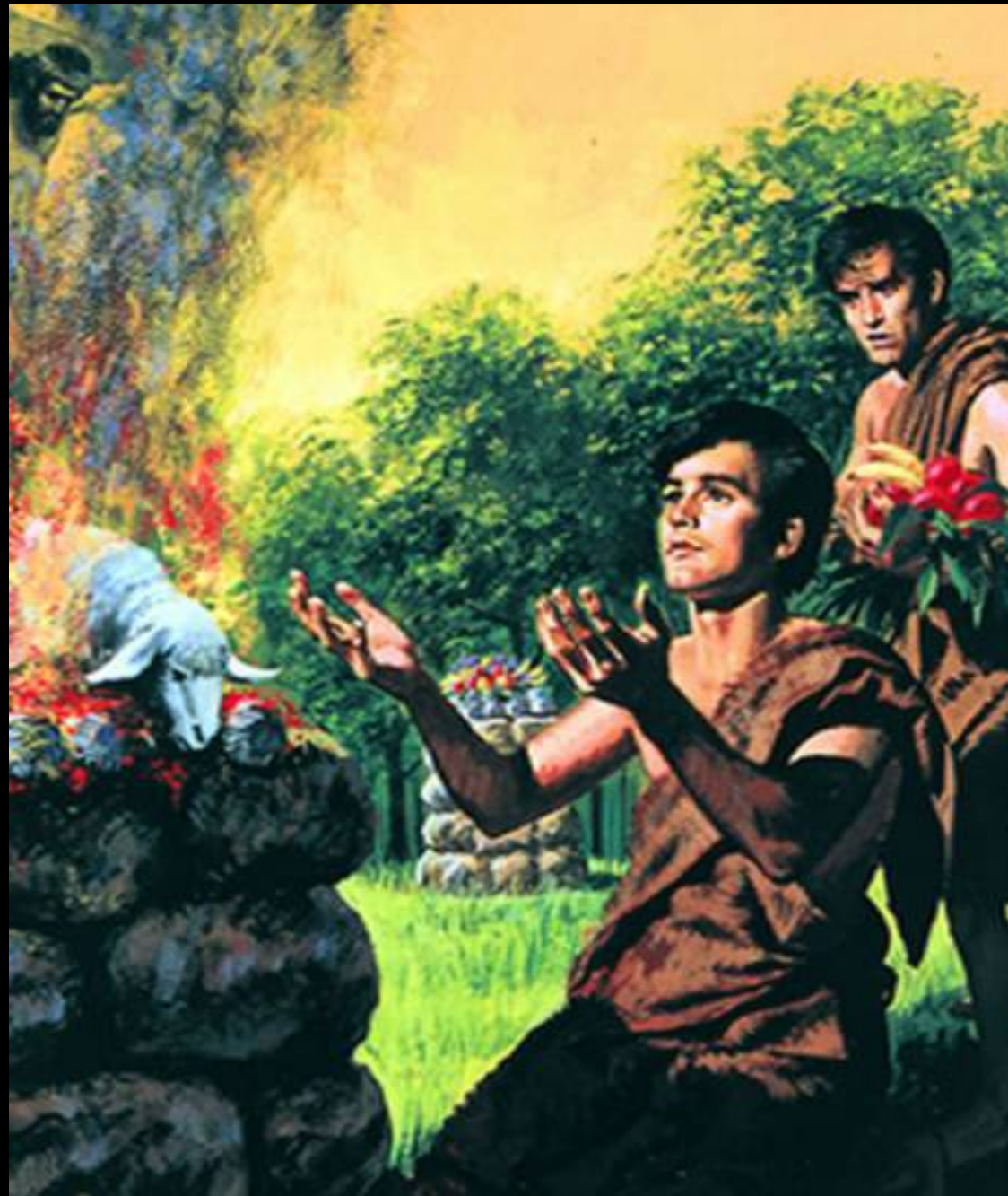


THE FIRST FAMILY

**GENESIS
4:1-12**



**I. Adam and Eve
were a family before
they had children
(Gen. 2:22-25).**



- **Why is it important for marriage to be the strongest bond in a home?**
- **How does a close marriage bond bless the children?**

II. In the same home, Abel learned to offer his best but Cain did not (4:1-4).

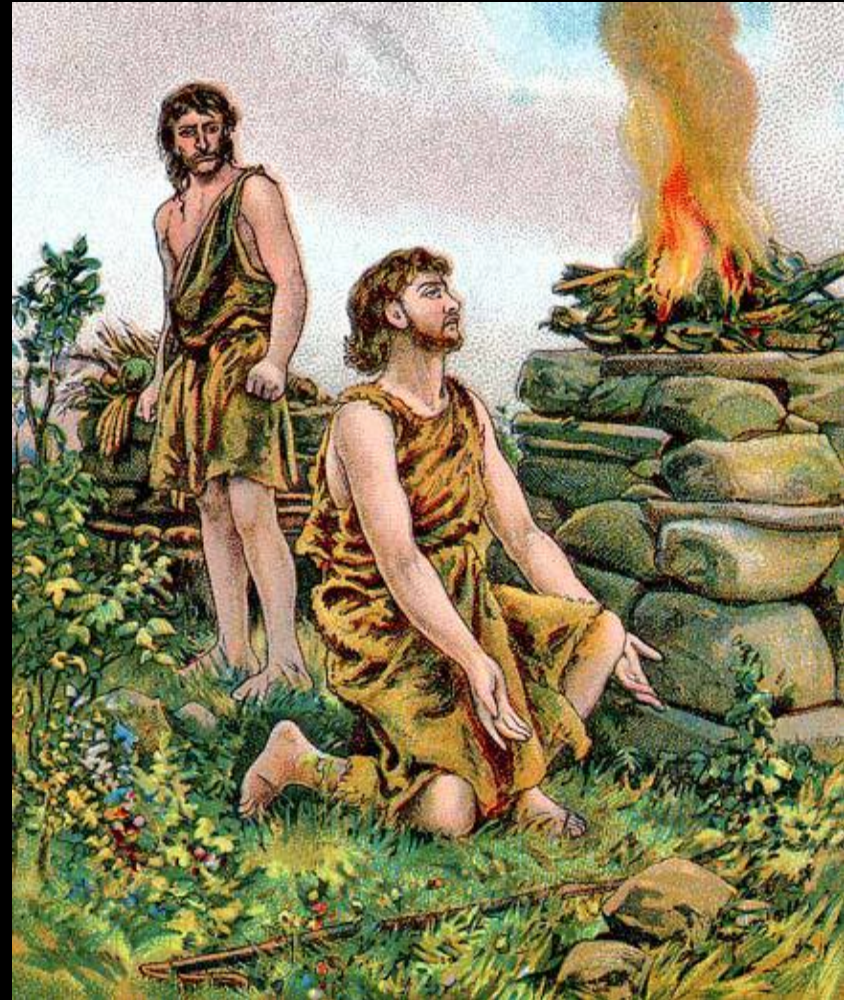
- **How can two brothers learn different values in the same home?**

- **How can we encourage our children to give God their best?**



III. Cain's thoughtless offering led to his depression (4:4-5).

- How did the events in Cain's life lead him toward depression?
- How do we allow events in our lives to lead us into depression?
- What can we do in our homes to counteract negative choices?



IV. Cain's depression led to anger that he needed to defeat (4:6-7).

- How can we equip our children to overcome anger and depression?
- How can we better overcome anger and depression?
- How can devotion in worship become a solution for anger and depression?



V. Cain tried to remove the problem by getting rid of Abel (4:8-12).



- **Why does revenge always multiply our problems?**
- **What is Abel's blood saying to God and to our families?**

Call to Action: To selflessly devote our lives and our homes to God.



- How does our example of devotion affect others?
- How are we overcoming depression and anger?
- How are we overcoming the crouching sin that wants to have us?
- How devoted do you want to be to God?

-How can we help?