

The Blood Still Speaks

Genesis 4:1-12 (8-10) ¹ And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD. ² And she again bare his brother Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground. ³ And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. ⁴ And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: ⁵ But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. ⁶ And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? ⁷ If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him. ⁸ **And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.** ⁹ **And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper?** ¹⁰ **And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.** ¹¹ And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand; ¹² When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.

Abel was killed in the field, not the sheepfold. He came on Cain's territory and was slain by his brother. Jesus came to earth – on our territory – and was crucified by His creation!

Romans 8:3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

Isaiah 53:3-5 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

WHERE IS THY BROTHER? Cain answers, "Am I my brother's keeper?" People who answer a question with a question are usually guilty! God already knew the answer, but was giving Cain space to repent.

God says, "**I HEARD THE BLOOD!**" The voice of your brother's blood cries to Me from the ground.

With my human ear, I can't hear the blood at all.
With a stethoscope, I can hear the blood MOVE (pulse).
If I had the ear of God, I could hear the blood SPEAK.

Cain is the first son – he is like the first Adam who was sinful
Abel is the second son – he is like the second Adam who shed His blood

1 Corinthians 15:45, 47 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit ... The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.

Abel died and his blood became his defense attorney, pleading his case. God said, "I hear the blood, and I will get justice!"

The devil thought that by killing Jesus he could shut down the gospel!

1 Corinthians 2:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

As long as the blood is "IN" we can't hear it speak, but when they pierced Jesus body on the cross, the blood flowed "OUT" and started speaking!

Hebrews 11:4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

Hebrews 12:24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

THE BLOOD STILL SPEAKS! I HEAR THE BLOOD!

When judgment said you should be destroyed ...
When your enemies sought to wipe you out ...
When trials and temptations rose around you on every side ...

If the blood hadn't spoken for you, you wouldn't even be here!

Justice said you should have died a long time ago, but the blood got in between you and the car wreck, between you and cancer, between you and AIDS, between you and the jail cell, between you and the hospital, between you and the courtroom, between you and the devil ...

Psalms 124:2-4 If it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us: Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us: Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:

Cain was a tiller of the ground – he spent his life working in the dirt, what he was made out of, the place that had been cursed by sin. He was planting seed in that which God had cursed.

But when he killed Abel, God said “no more shall the ground yield to you its strength” – you will never be able to work this ground like you used to. If you try to do it again in this ground, it won’t work for you.

Before you killed your brother you could plant whatever you wanted to plant and it would grow, but because the blood has opened its mouth to receive the blood when you try it again it’s not going to work anymore.

WHY? BECAUSE THE BLOOD IS AGAINST YOU. IT SPEAKS!

It used to be that Satan could plant whatever he wanted in your flesh, and it would manifest in your life. You were helpless to stop it!

But if you are BLOOD WASHED – if you have “opened your mouth” to receive the blood – then the things that used to grow in you can’t grow in you anymore! So tell the devil, tell your flesh, and tell your weaknesses **IT’S NOT GOING TO WORK ANYMORE!**

Satan plants many things in your flesh to destroy you – in fact, he even planted some seeds very early in your life in hopes that they would grow up and destroy you now. And it would have worked, if it hadn’t been for the blood! **THE BLOOD STILL SPEAKS!**

Genesis 50:20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

If you don’t believe the blood has worked a miracle in your life, just look at the lives of some of your friends and family. That same devil was coming after you, but when you “opened your mouth” to receive the blood, God blocked it. The blood cancelled it out. That’s why the devil hates the blood. And that’s why we proclaim the blood of Jesus Christ!

ILLUSTRATION: grass growing in driveway – mowing it just cuts it off (it continues growing immediately), pulling it up takes the roots but leaves the seed (it just takes longer to grow back), but weed killer stamps it out and kills what IS and what WILL BE just like the BLOOD does!

CAIN, GET OUT OF THIS TERRITORY! You will never be able to do what you used to do on this ground again, because the blood prevails over everything that has been planted in my life!

Exodus 14:13 – the enemy you see today you will see no more forever!