## Villains of the Bible - Cain

Pastor Mark Wilks, GENESIS 4:1-12

## 1. The person: Cain the first murderer in the bible.

- What was wrong with Cain's offering?
  - a) It was bloodless. Romans 6:23, Hebrews 9:22
  - b) It was less than his best. Leviticus 27:30, Proverbs 3:9-10
- "The worshipper and his offering are inseparable." Bruce Waltke

# 2. The Problem: Cain's "Do-it-yourself" religion.

- Offering/worship is how much worth we show to God. Genesis 4:4
- God gives Cain a second chance that's grace. Genesis 4:7
- DIY religion is trying to approach God on my own terms.

# 3. The promise: Only God's way comes with a promise.

- God gave His One=premier and only=best son. John 3:16
- Worship is <u>surrendering to the truth</u>. Malachi 3:10
- Unbelievers get resentful when the truth is proclaimed.

#### **Application**

- 1. Have you received the greatest gift?
- 2. Ask, "How does my life (offering) show <u>I value God?</u>"
- 3. Make the necessary adjustments to grace and to do what is right.