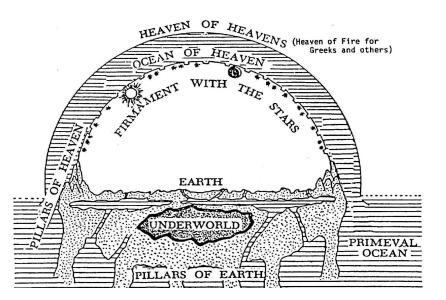


¹⁹ Lamech married two women, one named Adah and the other Zillah. ²⁰ Adah gave birth to Jabal; he was the father of those who live in tents and raise livestock. ²¹ His brother's name was Jubal; he was the father of all who play the harp and flute. ²² Zillah also had a son, Tubal-Cain, who forged all kinds of tools out of bronze and iron. Tubal-Cain's sister was Naamah. ²³ Lamech said to his wives,

> "Adah and Zillah, listen to me; wives of Lamech, hear my words.
> I have killed a man for wounding me, a young man for injuring me.
> ²⁴ If Cain is avenged seven times, then Lamech seventy-seven times."
> Genesis 4:19-24 (NIV)

A Sermon Called Genesis

- A. Genesis Chapter 1
 - 1. Genesis Chapter 1 established for us that God created the universe in an _____ and intentional manner.
 - 2. The universe was _____!
 - 3. Humanity was _____!



- B. Genesis Chapter 3
 - 1. The perfection of the universe was corrupted by
 - 2. Sin is any disobedience to the perfect will of God.
 - Adam and Eve learned the lesson of Ephesians 4:27
 - "... and do not give the devil a foothold."
- C. Genesis Chapter 4
 - 1. Sin grows deeper and more evil.

Cain learned the lesson of Proverbs 16:18

God hates _____

"Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit

before a fall."

So God warned Cain.

If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it." Genesis 4:7 (NIV)

2. The first murder was rooted in the sin of _____.

A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones. Proverbs 14:30 (NIV)

D. The Growth of Sin

- Listening to an ill word
- _____to the Word of God to "protect" it
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- E. Lamech
 - 1. Adam and Eve experienced ______ because of their sin.
 - 2. Cain experienced _____ of the consequences of his sin.
 - 3. Lamech experienced ______ for his sin.
 - 4. God wants you to experience _______ for your sin.

- F. Lamech Lessons for Life
 - 1. Sin is too dangerous not to be on guard against.

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil **prowls** around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. **1 Peter 5:8 (NIV2011)**

¹⁹ The wrong things the sinful self does are clear: committing sexual sin, being morally bad, doing all kinds of shameful things, ²⁰ worshiping false gods, taking part in witchcraft, hating people, causing trouble, being jealous, angry or selfish, causing people to argue and divide into separate groups,²¹ being filled with envy, getting drunk, having wild parties, and doing other things like this. I warn you now as I warned you before: The people who do these things will not have a part in God's kingdom. Galatians 5:19-21 (ERV)

My Next Steps Today Is To...

- Memorize or meditate on Psalm 139:23-24
 - ²³ God, examine me and know my mind. Test me and know all my worries. ²⁴ Make sure that I am not going the wrong way. Lead me on the path that has always been right.. (ERV)
- Surrender a known sin in my life so that it will not corrupt me more than it already has.
- Ask the pastoral team to pray over this area of my life.
- Ask God to reveal an unknown sin to me. (Perhaps from Galatians 5:19-21)
- Ask Jesus into my heart as I experience the forgiveness of my sin.