

**Read Genesis 3 and 4 and answer the following questions:**

Use this worksheet (front and back), your notes and your readings to study for the upcoming quiz.

Note: These are stories about boundaries, how things came to be (etiological stories) and how evil entered the world.

**Genesis 3**

1. Boundaries:

- a. Which tree represents moral reasoning? \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Which tree represents immortality? \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Are moral reasoning and immortality attributes of God or of his creatures? \_\_\_\_\_
- d. What is Eve's motivation for eating the fruit (v.6)? \_\_\_\_\_  
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- e. Does the snake lie about the power of the tree? \_\_\_\_\_
- f. What does God say will happen if they eat the fruit? \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Provide evidence that Adam and Eve learn about good and evil  
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- h. Do Adam and Eve die? \_\_\_\_\_
- i. Has God followed up on his threat? \_\_\_\_\_
- j. How *does* God respond? What does he do to them and *why*?  
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- k. What boundaries separating humans from God have been crossed and what have not been?  
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2. Etiological Story (A story of origins or how things came to be)

- a. What does this story tell us about the origins of the differences between men and women?  
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- b. What does this story tell us about the origins of toil and labor of life?  
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- c. What does this story tell us about the origins of evil and sin?  
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3. Evil enters the world through sin (*Path Through Scriptures* interpretation):

- a. Alienation from Self (one of the effects of sin) is illustrated by what part of Genesis 3?  
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- b. How is alienation from God illustrated?  
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- c. How is alienation from Nature is illustrated?  
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**Genesis 4**

4. Evil enters the world through sin (*Path Through Scriptures* interpretation):

d. How is alienation from other people (another of the effects of sin) illustrated in Genesis 4?

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5. Many scholars have seen in verses 20 to 22 a brief summary of the advancement of civilization. Do you agree? Why?

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6. Why does God favor Abel? Why is his sacrifice of greater quality?

7. Blood revenge is censured in verse 14, but does it continue to be practiced? When?

8. Who says, "am I my brother's keeper?" \_\_\_\_\_

9. Who says, "Your brother's blood is crying out to me from the ground!"? \_\_\_\_\_

10. Where is the land of Nod to which Cain moves? \_\_\_\_\_