

Study Questions for the January 9, 2022 Sermon:
“Two Types of People”
Genesis 4:13-26

1. Cain next stated (v 14) “*Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground...*” Indeed, Cain was a farmer, and in v 12, God takes away his livelihood. Why might God have done that?
2. Note that God does not say, in verse 14, that Cain is hidden from his face. Cain says that.
 - a. What keeps people hidden from God's face? Look at Romans 1:21 and Psalm 31:16.
 - b. Share a time that you chose to stop being hidden from God's face.
3. Genesis 9:6 supports capital punishment for the crime of murder. Why may God have allowed Cain to live, and protected him from violence?
4. Pastor Paul said that the fewer assumptions we make about people, the better the chance that we will come to know them. Share an experience in which you jumped to some false conclusions about a person and later came to respect or appreciate that person.
5. Verse 17 states that Cain built a city.
 - a. What might have been his motivation?
 - b. Why may he have named the city after his son?
6. Verse 19 introduces the reader to polygamy. What does that say about Cain's ongoing influence on his descendants?
7. Fortunately, good traits, not just evil traits, can span generations. Give an example of this from:
 - a. Scripture. (If you cannot think of any, read 2 Timothy 1:5)
 - b. Your personal life.

8. If you have intentionally chosen to break the cycle of generational sin in your family, tell us what you did.
9. In myriad ways, Americans have adopted an “us vs them” perspective. Per Pastor Paul, if we are to view humanity as divided into two groups, who is in each group?