

The Fallen Ones

Genesis 4:17 – 6:4

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Cain and his wife had a son named Enoch. Cain then founded a city, which he named Enoch. A few generations later, one of Cain's descendants was a man named Lamech.

Lamech married two women and had children with both of them. One day Lamech said to his wives, "Listen to me. I, Lamech, have killed a young man who attacked and wounded me. God said, 'If anyone kills Cain, he will be punished seven times over.' Well, I say, 'If anyone kills me, he will be punished seventy-seven times over.' "

After the death of Abel at the hands of his brother Cain, God granted Adam and Eve another son whom they named Seth. His descendants prayed and worshiped in the name of the Lord.

The offspring of Cain and Seth continued for some time as separate lines. Then some of the godly men descended from Seth married beautiful yet wicked women descended from Cain. Their offspring became the heroes and famous warriors of ancient times. People admired them for their size and their strength, while God saw them as "the fallen ones."

Then the Lord said, "I will not allow these people to live forever; they are sinful – given over to sensual appetites. Unless they mend their ways within the next 120 years, I will destroy them."