



St. John Lutheran Church
Fall 2020 Sunday School
Third/Fourth Grade
Week 4 (October 11)

God wants us to love our families Genesis 4:1-16

Key Verse: Romans 12:10

**Be devoted to one another in brotherly love.
Honor one another above yourselves.**

Activity 1: Family Handprints

Materials: Colored paper (included)
Scissors
Pencil or marker

Instructions:

- Trace each family member's hand on a piece of colored paper.
- Cut out the hand print.
- In the center, write your family member's name and why they are special to you.

God wants us to love our families, because God knows what can happen if we don't. There are no perfect families - every family has tough times. People get mad at or jealous of one another. That's why today's Key Verse (Romans 12:10) is so important - "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves." When we love our families, we are also showing God love, too!

INTERVIEW TIME!

Ask your family members the following questions and write down their responses.

- What do you think it means to be devoted to your family?
- What are some ways family members show how important they are to each other?
- What can you do to follow God when you feel angry or jealous of a family member?

Please share your Family Handprints and your Interview Responses
with your St. John family and friends
by emailing a photo to stjohn@ruraltel.net

Activity 2: Slip-Up Slips

It's good to want to act differently than Cain and learn from how he treated his family. When you learn from Cain's mistakes, your past mistakes, and the mistakes of others, you'll find the best ways to love your family. When you do something wrong, it can be hard to say, "I'm sorry." These Slip-Up Slips can help you ask for forgiveness.

Materials: Slip-Up Slip pages (included)
Scissors
Stapler

Instructions:

- Cut out the Slip-Up Slips Cover, Pages and End Piece.
- Stack the Pages, with the Cover on top.
- Fold the End Piece on the dotted line and staple your finished Slip-Up Slips booklet on the edge.
- If you SLIP UP, fill out a Slip-Up Slip. Also fill out the strip under the edge. Keep this part as a reminder of the promise you made. Tear (or cut) the Slip-Up Slip on the dotted line and give it to the person you chose.

The Apostles' Creed

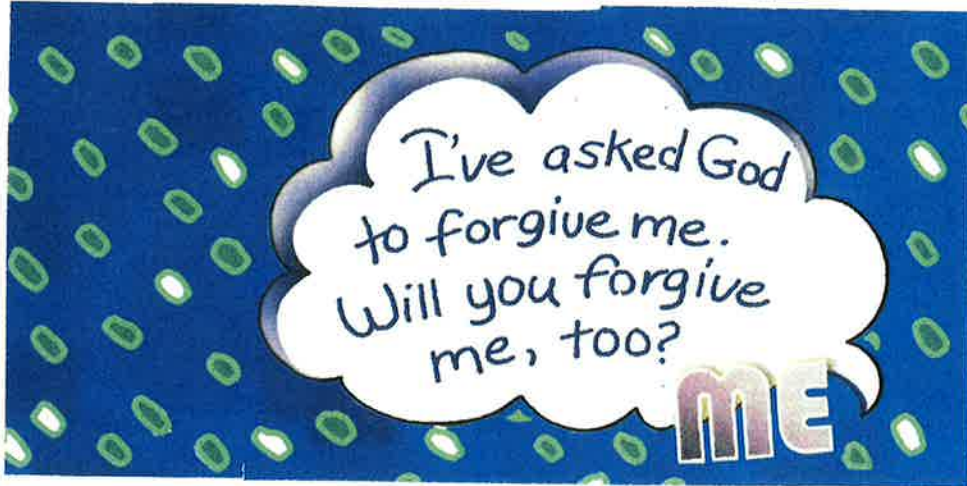
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Prayer

God, we need your help to love our families
the way you'd like us to love them.
Please help us remember to always love our family members,
even when it's difficult.
Amen.



To: _____	Dear _____, _____ (date)
Date: _____	I'm sorry I _____
Promise: _____	I will _____
	signed _____

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Promise: _____	I'm sorry I _____

	I will _____

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Cain's Choices

START
God does not accept Cain's sacrifice.

Cain says, "I'm sorry, God."

Cain gets mad.

Cain says, "I did wrong."

Cain says, "How should I know? Why should I care?"

God asks Cain, "Where is Abel?"

But Cain still won't admit he did wrong.

God says, "Look what you've done! You killed Abel!"

So God punishes Cain.

Cain says, "I'm sorry, God."

Cain does not ask God to forgive him.

God forgives Cain.

Cain prays, "Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me."

Cain runs away.

Cain is sent from his home.

END
Cain wanders for the rest of his life.

Cain brings Abel to a field and kills him.

Directions: Use a pencil to trace the path Cain took in the Bible story. When you come to a sentence that isn't true, cross it out.

5. CAIN AND ABEL

(GENESIS 4:1-17)

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 I O X L L S P D E R L D E S R
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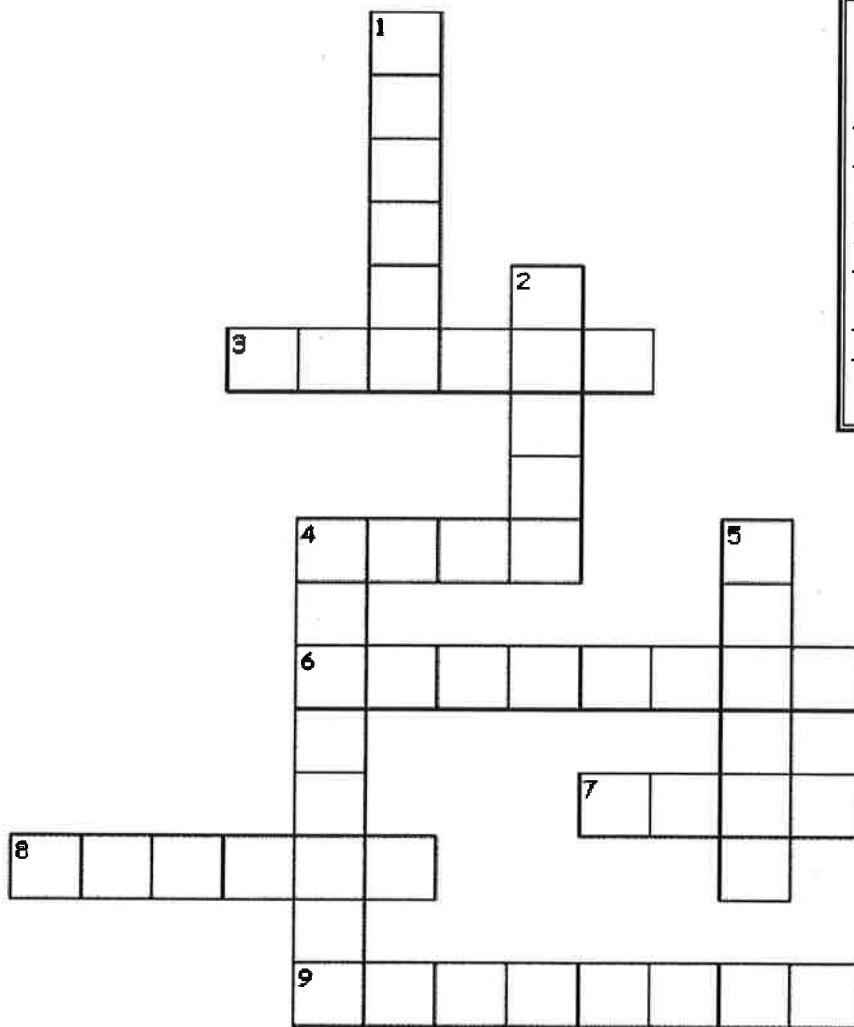
ABEL
 ADAM
 ANGRY
 BROTHERS
 CAIN
 CURSED

EVE
 FIELD
 FIRSTBORN
 FRUIT
 KEEPER OF SHEEP
 KILLED

LORD
 MARK
 OFFERING
 PUNISHMENT
 RESPECTED
 TILLER



Cain and Abel Crossword



Word List	
Abel	brothers
wander	sinned
farmer	shepherd
best	offering
heart	keeper

Across

3. Cain worked the soil, he was a _____.
4. God wants our _____ when we give to Him.
6. Abel knew this was important to God.
7. His offering was pleasing to God.
8. Cain did this when he killed his brother.
9. Abel watched the animals, he was this.

Down

1. Are you your brother's _____?
2. God didn't like Cain's attitude in his _____.
4. How were Cain and Abel related?
5. Part of Cain's punishment was that he would _____ the earth.

