

THE UNDESERVED MERCY

Genesis 4:1-16

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Altantuya's family wins suit against govt, awarded RM5m damages



GENESIS 4

- 1 Adam lay with his wife Eve, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. She said, “With the help of the Lord I have brought forth a man.”
- 2 Later she gave birth to his brother Abel. Now **Abel kept flocks**, and **Cain worked the soil**.
- 3 In the course of time Cain brought **some of the fruits** of the soil as an **offering** to the Lord.
- 4 And Abel also brought an **offering—fat portions** from some of the **firstborn of his flock**. The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering,
- 5 but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain **was very angry, and his face was downcast**.

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6 Then the Lord said to Cain, “**Why** are you angry? **Why** is your face downcast?

7 **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 rule over it (*master it*).”

8 Now Cain said to his brother Abel, “**Let’s go out to the field.**” While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel **and killed him.**

9 Then the Lord said to Cain, “**Where** is your brother Abel?” “I don’t know,” he replied. “Am I my brother’s keeper?”

10 The Lord said, “**What have you done?** Listen! Your brother’s blood cries out to me from the ground.

11 Now you are **under a curse and driven** from the ground, which opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.

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12 When you work the ground, it will no longer yield its crops for you. You will be a restless wanderer on the earth.”

13 Cain said to the Lord, “My punishment is more than I can bear.

14 Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence; I will be a restless wanderer on the earth, and **whoever finds me will kill me.**”

15 But the Lord said to him, “Not so; anyone who kills Cain will suffer vengeance seven times over.” Then the Lord **put a mark on Cain** so that no one who found him would kill him.

16 So Cain went out from the Lord’s presence and lived in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

MOTIVE – V 1-7

MURDER – V 8-12

MERCY – V 13-16





4: 25 Adam lay with his wife again, and she gave birth to a son and named him **Seth**.

5: 3 When Adam had lived **130 years**, he had a son in his own likeness, in his own image; and he named him **Seth**.



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- Tithes - Deut 14:22, Lev 27:30

- Offerings – Lev 1 – 7

- BURNT

- GRAIN

- FELLOWSHIP / PEACE

- SIN / PURIFICATION

- GUILT

- Three Annual Festivals

- Firstfruit - Ex 23:16, 19, 34:26

- Firstborn – Deut 12:6

Fat Portions



Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

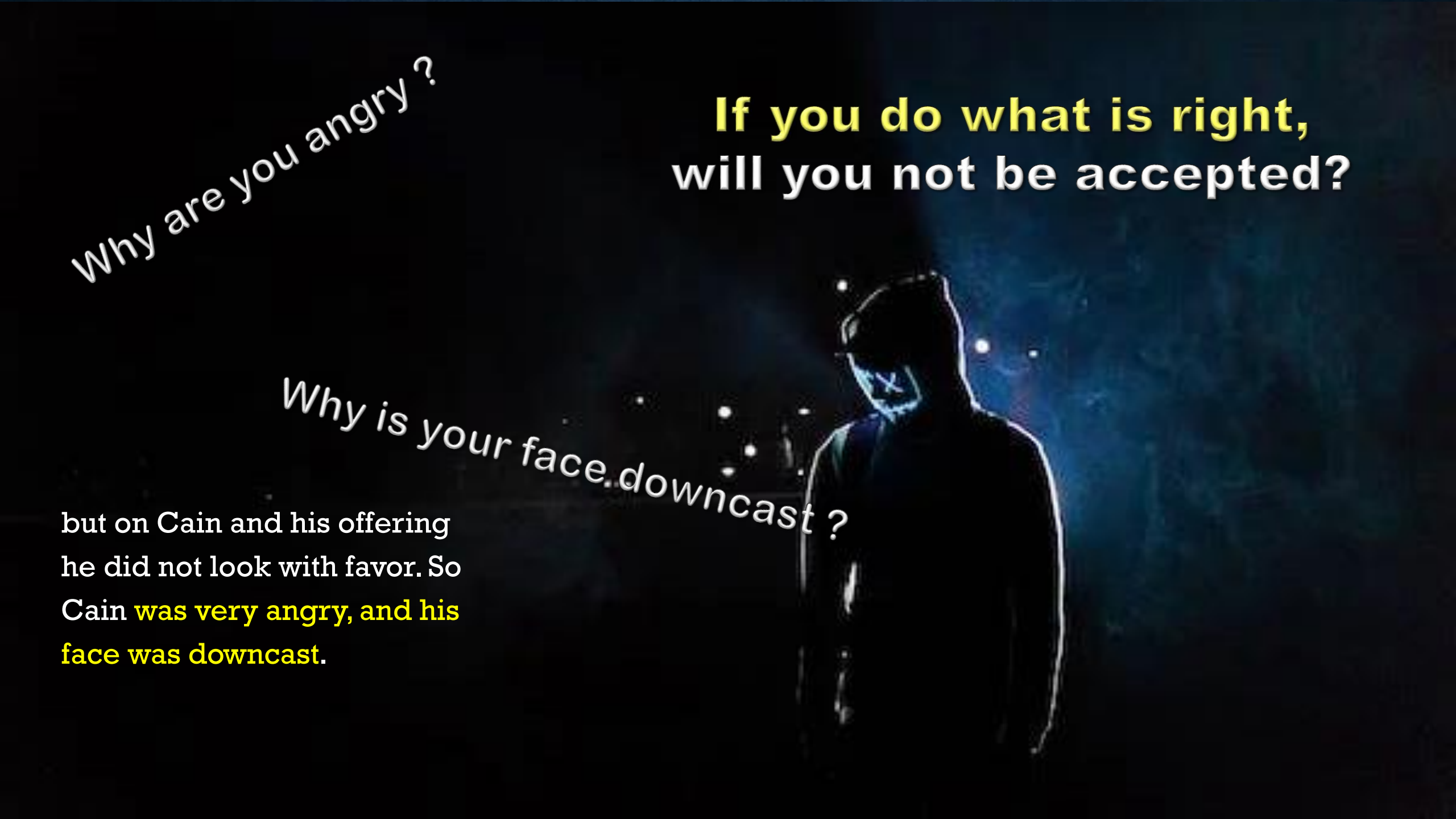
2 Corinthians 9:6

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7



By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. - Heb 11:4



Why are you angry ?

**If you do what is right,
will you not be accepted?**

Why is your face downcast ?

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he did not look with favor. So
Cain **was very angry, and his
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A dramatic landscape featuring a golden field of tall grass in the foreground, which is slightly out of focus. The background shows a dark, stormy sky with a bright light source, possibly the sun or moon, creating a lens flare effect. The overall mood is somber and intense.

James 1:14-15

“... each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their **own evil desire** and **enticed**. Then, after desire has **conceived**, it gives birth to **sin**; and sin, when it is **full-grown**, gives birth to **death**.”

A landscape photograph featuring a bright sunburst effect in the sky, with rays of light shining down over a green field and rolling hills. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

**Where
is your
brother ?**

A photograph of a person standing on a dark road, looking towards a bright light at the end of the road. The scene is dark, with the light source creating a strong contrast and a long shadow on the road. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

**What
have
you
done ?**



Genesis 4:11 WEB

Now you are cursed because of the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.

Gen 4:11 - 12

“My punishment is more than I can bear. Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence; I will be a restless wanderer on the earth, and **whoever** finds me will kill me.”

The Mercy of God

**A MARK – A SEAL OF
OWNERSHIP**

An illustration depicting the biblical story of Cain and Abel. On the left, a man (Cain) stands with a sword, looking towards the right. In the center, another man (Abel) sits on a rock, holding a staff and looking towards the right. On the right, a large fire burns on a rock. The background shows rolling hills under a warm, orange sky.

• Offerings? Brother's keeper ?

OR

• Uncontrolled Anger? Favoritism?
Jealousy? Willful Sin?

OR

• Fear of God?

OR

• Faith ? Obedience ?

• High view of GOD ?

GENESIS 4 – CAIN AND ABEL

THE UNDESERVED MERCY

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the
door, I will come in and eat with that
person, and they with me.” - Rev 3:20



A hand reaches down from the top left corner towards a cross in the center of the image. The background is a soft, blurred sunset sky with warm orange and yellow tones. The text 'THE UNDESERVED MERCY' is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters with a slight drop shadow, positioned over the hand and the upper part of the cross.

THE UNDESERVED MERCY

“Now it is God who makes us stand firm in Christ. He ... set his seal of ownership on us and put his Spirit in our heart...” - 2 Cor 1:21-22