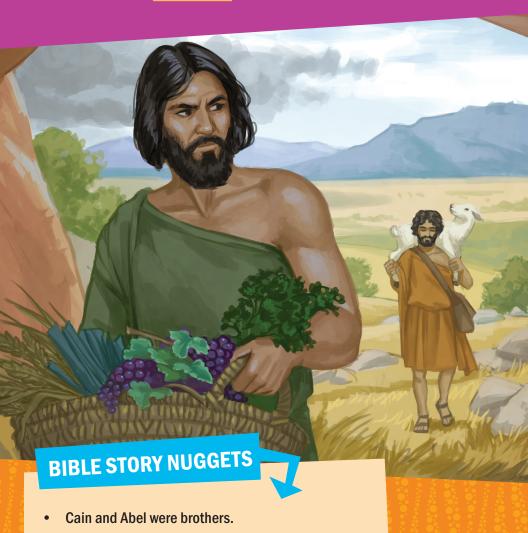
TWO BROTHERS: CAIN AND ABEL

GENESIS 4:1-16

TEXT TRUTH: Love God and love others.



- Cain hurt his brother, Abel.
- God was angry. God sent Cain away from his family.

PARENTS.

Today, your young child frequently heard teachers say the words "Love God and others." Teachers talked about loving God and obeying Him. Teachers helped preschoolers know that God wants people to love Him and others.

This week at home, review the story of Cain and Abel. Guide your child to learn that we show our love for God in the things we do and the words we say. Our motivation for service should be to please God.

TODDLERS BIBLE STORY

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Adam and Eve had children. Their first son was born, and he was named Cain. Later, Adam and Eve had another son. His name was Abel.

As the brothers grew, they took care of the animals God made and they grew crops in the land. Cain worked in the fields to grow food for the family. Abel took care of the sheep and other animals.

Each brother gave an offering to God. Cain gave an offering of grains and food he had grown. Abel gave a lamb from the flocks as his offering.

God was pleased with Abel's offering. God knew Abel loved and obeyed God.

God was not pleased with Cain's offering, though. God knew Cain did not obey God like he should.

Cain was angry. He hurt his brother, and Abel died.

God punished Cain for what he did to his brother. God sent Cain away from his home and family.

FAMILY ADVENTURE LOOK AT A PICTURE MOBILE

Print a few family pictures and use them to make a mobile. Attach individual pictures to string and attach the string to an embroidery hoop or plastic hanger. Suspend the picture mobile near a window or door. Hold your baby up to see the pictures. Thank God for your family. Ask God to help your family remember to love God and love others.

FAMILY ADVENTURE TOSS SOCKS INTO BASKETS

Fold a pair of socks together to make a soft ball. Lay two large baskets on the floor. Place this picture card in one basket.

Give your toddler a sock ball to toss into a basket. Each time the sock ball lands in a basket, shout the words "Love God!" or "Love others."

Look at this picture card together and remark that Cain carried fruits and vegetables in a basket. Tell more about the offerings of Cain and Abel.