Defining Moments—Week #1 July 26, 2020

# Defining Moments: Cain & Abel



#### **MAIN POINT:**

Faith produces true worship!

## **KEY VERSE**:

"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. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead." Hebrews 11:4

## **BRING IT UP:**

On Sunday, Pastor Dave kicked off our new series Defining Moments by talking about the first brothers in the Bible of Cain and Abel and how faith plays a huge part in your worship. We learned from Abel, who was killed by his brother because his sacrifice was accepted and Cain's was not, what it means to be a true worshipper of God: Worship is about a relationship, the heart and always requires a sacrifice. When we place our faith in God and worship Him with our lives, that is the biggest defining moment in our life!

♦ What was your biggest takeaway from the message Sunday?

## **TALK IT OVER:**

What would you say are some of the defining moments in your life?

In Genesis 4, we are introduced to Cain and Abel's defining moment. However, what started out as an act of worship to God, went sideways very quickly and became a bitter and deadly sibling rivalry.

[Read Genesis 4:1-12]

◆ Describe the role that faith played in the story of Cain and Abel and how it relates to worship?

### THINK IT THROUGH:

#### Worship is about a relationship

♦ In what way does your relationship with Christ influence your worship of Him?

#### Worship is about the heart

- ◆ In what way have you experienced how a hardened heart can get in the way of your worship?
- Describe a time where you struggled to clear your heart for church/ worship?

#### Worship always requires a sacrifice

- ♦ What are some areas in your life in which you're not giving God your best?
- ♦ What may have been some of the contributing factors spiritually and physically that led to Abel's offering being accepted over Cain's?

## **WORK IT OUT:**

What steps do you need to take in order to bring more conviction to your worship?