

"FAITH REQUIRES ACTION"

Text: Hebrews 11:1–4; Genesis 4:1–16

RESULTS OF ABEL'S FAITH

I. HE OFFERED A BETTER SACRIFICE –

Hebr. 11:4a – "By FAITH Abel offered a better sacrifice than Cain did."

NOTE: They both came to Worship, but only one of them worships in the appropriate way, by faith .

A. The Place – somewhere East of Garden of Eden. (see Gen. 3:24)

B. The Time– NLT says at Harvest time.

C. The Sacrifice–

(see Gen. 3:7,21)

NOTE: Abel acted in Faith & Obedience; Cain acted in Disobedience . (see Jude 8,11)

II. HE WAS COMMENDED AS A RIGHTEOUS MAN –

Hebr. 11:4b – "By FAITH he was commended as a righteous man, when God spoke well of his offerings."

Gen. 4:4b,5 –

(Rom. 3:22; II Cor. 5:21)

Gen. 4:6,7 –

God asks Cain, "WHY are you angry?" What does God want to hear from Cain? Confession and repentance.

If you don't OBEY, then sin will destroy you.

(see I John 3:11,12)

III. BY FAITH HE STILL SPEAKS –

Hebr. 11:4c – "And by faith he still speaks, even though he is dead."

Gen. 4:8–14 –

A. How Does Abel Still Speak Today?

He demonstrates the importance of Faith!

– Announcements –

Junior Choir: We will be in need of a Director and Accompanist for our Junior Choir (Grades 4–8) this coming Fall.

All Church Cleaning: All Church Cleaning will be on hold this year until the flooring project is completed.

Local Mission Opportunity: We have multiple opportunities for loving, Christian adults to make a difference in our community. Do you have an hour or more that you would be willing to volunteer to spend time with someone? Please fill out the sheet on the Information Cabinet in the Narthex.

Scotland Community Church Salad Supper: Ladies, would you like to show your support to our sister church in Scotland? You are invited to attend their Salad Supper on Sun., June 13th at 6PM. Please contact our church office by June 8th, so that we can give them a count of who will be attending.

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS OF SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

***The Family of Frieda Nusz**, as she passed away early Thursday morning. Funeral Service will be Monday, May 24th at 2:00 p.m. Visitation will begin that morning at the church at 11:00 a.m.

***Terry/Fred Saylor**, as Terry's son, **Chris Wyldes**, passed away unexpectedly this past Wednesday. Funeral arrangements are pending at this time.

***Milo Hauck**, as he has been a patient at Avera McKennan in Sioux Falls most of this last week.

***Galen Guthmiller**, as he was injured in a bicycle accident this past Thursday.

***Catherine (Friesen) Eidahl**, as she has been in the Aberdeen Hospital this past week, due to complications from a foot surgery.

*We pray for all of our **Care Center Residents and Assisted Living Residents** as well as the **Staff** who work so hard in caring for them.

***Marjorie Saylor**, ***Jean (Huber) Reiners**, ***Betty Hoff**, ***Terry Saylor**, ***Phyllis Woehl**, ***Bill Headley**, ***David Walloch**, ***Jessica Schaeffer**, ***Nancy McCoy**, ***Glenda Walker**, ***Lee & Pat Pommerville**, ***Milo Hauck**, ***Les Mehlhaff**, ***Robert Gramkow**, ***Bill Huber**, as these individuals are in various stages in their battle against cancer and/or other health struggles. We praise the Lord for His Power that is mightily at work within each one, giving them strength day by day!

***Travis Gramkow** (U.S. Navy – Virginia), ***Aaron Helgerson** (U.S. Navy – Florida), ***Katie (Schultz) Paulsen** (U.S. Air Force – Brussels, Belgium), ***Troy Heckenlaible**, ***Derek Fischer**, ***Dan Wonnemberg**, ***Katie Huber**, ***Trevor Bertsch**, ***Dustin Gall**, ***John Neth**, ***Chad Boettcher** (Army National Guard), ***Lee Heckenlaible**, ***Carmen Taylor**, ***Jennifer Masterson**, ***Brett Andersen**, ***Evan Wintersteen** (Air National Guard), ***Corbin Auch**, ***Travis Brandt**, ***Tyler J. Brandt**, ***Jayme Schaaf**, ***Jake Haider** (U.S. Army), ***Alex Olson** (U.S. Navy), – **we pray for God's protection over all in who serve in our Military!**