

## **Cain and Abel (Gen. 4:1-15)**

We are all caught in cycles of acting/reacting. We can try to trace back to where things started. Cultures do this - stories (myths) that explain how the world got messed up, because it's obvious to everyone that it has the potential to be better than it is. Pandora's box, Osiris' Chest, Genie's lamp. We see the same thing over and over again: People misjudge their ability to handle the negative side effects of a decision they are contemplating, and everyone pays the price for that mistake afterward.

## **Genesis 4:1-15**

- Origin of family
  - Origin of worship – offering God “first fruits”
  - Origin of murder – Killing another “image bearer”
    - Comparison leads to relationship issues (Jealousy, Envy, Anger)
  - Origin of God's mercy – marked for safety by God....
  - What's missing
    - First apology (even a lame one)
    - First admission of guilt (without shifting blame)
    - First desire for reconciliation (how do I make this right)
    - First request for path forward (sacrifice for forgiveness of sins).
- Heb. 9:11

If we trace the origin of evil, we find the culprit and identify its presence in ourselves. Like Cain, we all think we can outsmart evil. Get the imagined benefits of sin and escape the consequences.

Why do we keep doing this?

- 1. Sin grows unpredictably.**
- 2. Sin makes us blind.**
- 3. Sin effects our memory of the past.**

What is the answer? **Stop reacting to sin... and start reacting to God.**

-Consider Peter trying to walk on water in Mt. 14. When does he start to sink? When he takes his eyes off of Jesus.

But because we know the Truth about the Messiah, we can choose to react to Him rather than everything else around us.



**Heritage Alliance Church - June 1, 2025**

# Welcome to Heritage...

We're so glad you've joined us! Our current sermon series is focused on 'Origins'. In this series we'll journey through Genesis chapters 1-11 to discover the foundational truths about who we are, why we're here, and how we're meant to live.

These early chapters of the Bible are far more than ancient history—they are the key to understanding our identity, our purpose, and our relationships with both God and others. From the breathtaking account of creation to the tragedy of the fall, from the first acts of worship and rebellion to the flood and the tower of Babel, these stories reveal the roots of human nature, the heart of God, and the framework for how we're called to live today.

This will be a deeply practical series, helping us connect the truths of our beginnings with the everyday challenges of life, faith, and relationships. Understanding our origin shapes our present—so let's explore together how these foundational moments in Scripture continue to speak into our lives today.

## Welcome to Heritage!

We're so glad you chose to be with us here at Heritage Alliance Church today.

To learn more about us or to access previous sermons, visit our website:  
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## HAC Silent Auction!

It's almost time for our annual Silent Auction. We'll be raising money for the upcoming Honduras Missions Trip

**Father's Day/All Church BBQ  
Silent Auction  
JUNE 15  
We need your help...**

We're in search of fun and creative Auction items such as...  
~ Themed Gift Baskets  
~ Gift Cards  
~ Baking  
~ Host a Dinner Party or ?  
~ Services (photography/landscaping/cleaning/babysitting etc)

Contact office for donation info:  
[office@heritagealliance.ca](mailto:office@heritagealliance.ca)

## Kids, Youth & Young Adults

**Summer VBS ~ True North  
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World!**  
July 21-25 ~ Kids Ages 4-10  
Register Online

**Youth Nights:**  
June 4 - Jr & Sr Youth & Parent Night  
6:30-8:30pm  
June 6 - No Sr Youth

For more info, email Pastor Reece;  
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**Young Adults**  
Meeting every 2nd Wednesday  
Email: [wawyllie@gmail.com](mailto:wawyllie@gmail.com) for info  
Location: 30941 Brookdale Ct

## Called By Name

You're invited to this interactive evening for all ages with Paul & Janelle, hearing, seeing and tasting the Arab world!

**June 22 @ 6:30pm**  
Heritage Alliance Church

RSVP to: [jcj@hostmailbox.ca](mailto:jcj@hostmailbox.ca)

## With Thanks...

"On behalf of the Engler & Schmidtke families, I would like to thank the people of Heritage for their help and effort in Johanna's memorial service.

Thank you also to all those who attended the service and for your prayers. Your prayers have been felt and we continue to welcome them". ~ Sig Engler

## Upcoming Events

**MONDAY EVENINGS**  
Ladies Craft & Chat  
7pm by the fireside

**TUESDAY MORNINGS**  
Moms & Tots 9am  
Ladies Bible Study 9am

**WEDNESDAYS**  
Prayer Zoom 4pm  
w/ Pastor Caroline

**JUNE 1**  
(No BackStage Pass Tonight)

**JUNE 7**  
-Men's Breakfast @  
Ricky's Restaurant 8am  
-Fraud & Scam Prevention  
Presentation 10-11am

**JUNE 15**  
Father's Day  
All Church BBQ  
& Silent Auction

**JUNE 22**  
Evening with  
Paul & Janelle

**JUNE 26**  
PrimeTimers 55+  
Worship & Lunch

**JULY 2**  
Summer Patio Nights  
Begin ~ 5:30pm

**JULY 7**  
Men's Breakfast  
@ Ricky's Restaurant 8am

**JULY 15**  
Moms & Kids  
Waterslide Morning  
9am here @ HAC

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Summer VBS