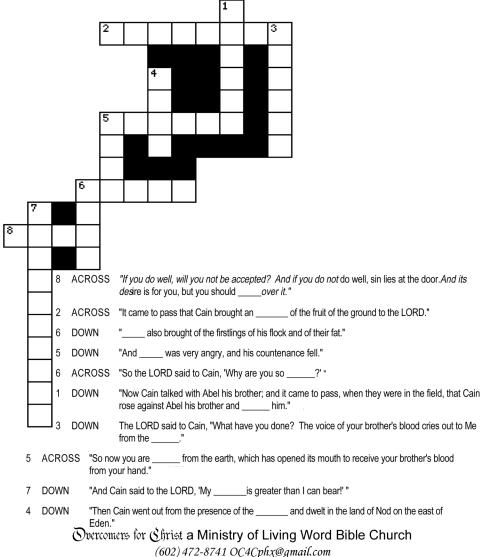
in heaven. One day people looked around, and said, "Hey! Where did Enoch go?!"

"Heaven knows!" people must have replied - and they were right!

But before that Enoch had a son named Methuselah. You might hear someone say sometime, "He's as old as Methuselah!" That's because Methuselah was the oldest man who ever lived. He lived until he was 969 years old.

People lived a LONG time back in those days.

Until something terrible happened.







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He said to his brother on a bright, sunny morning, "Abel, come with me out into the fields."

"Sure," Abel said, because he loved his big brother, and trusted him. And so he walked with his brother out into the fields. And when Cain got Abel out where nobody could see or hear them, he took a rock and he killed his brother Abel.

Later that day God found Cain working in the hot sun. God said to him, "Where is your brother Abel?"

"How should I know?" Cain said. "Am I supposed to take Care of my brother?"

But God knew the terrible thing Cain had done.

God said to him, "I see your brother's blood on the ground!

Because you have spilled your brother's blood into the ground,
the ground won't grow your crops for you anymore. From now on
you will have to wander in far away places to find your food."

"Lord, the punishment is too hard for me!" Cain said. "My relatives will try to kill me when they hear what I have done. I will always be running."

So God put a mark on Cain to protect him. When anyone saw it they would know not to kill him because God was watching.

Then on a sad, sad day, Cain left his only home and family. Because of the evil thing Cain had done, Adam and Eve lost not just one son, but two. And Cain lost his family. But worse than that, God would not be with him anymore. That would be the hardest thing of all.

So Cain went away and lived in the land of Nod.

If only he had listened to God.



Back in the days of Adam & Eve..

...people lived a long, long time. If your grandpa lives to be a hundred years old these days, you think, boy - he is really OLD!

Adam lived until he was 930 years old! Yikes! - that's a lot of Candles to have to blow out on a birthday Cake!

So after Abel died and Cain had to leave home, Adam and Eve had another son named Seth. When Seth was born, Adam was 130 years old. When Seth Called Adam his "old man," he wasn't kidding!

When Seth was 105, he had a son named Enosh. Enosh was Adam's grandson.

When Enosh was 90 he had a son named Kenan. Kenan was Adam's great grandson.

Adam's great great great great great grandson was a man named Enoch. Adam lived so long, even when Enoch was born, Enoch's great great great great great great grandfather Adam was still around! When Great Great Great Great Great Grandpa Adam told stories about the old days - they were REALLY old days.

Imagine sitting by the fire with Enoch while Grandpa Adam told stories from when the world was brand new!

Enoch loved God and always listened to him, and the Bible says that he never died. Instead, God just took him up to be with him