

The Families of Cain and the Birth of Seth

(Genesis 4:17-26)

BHC Exploring the Bible Translation

¹⁷ And Cain knew his woman,
and she conceived and bore Enoch.
And he built a city,
and called the name of the city
after the name of his son—Enoch.

¹⁸ To Enoch was born Irad;
and Irad begot Mehuyael,
and Mehujael begot Methushael,
and Methushael begot Lamech.

¹⁹ Then Lamech took for himself two wives:
the name of one was Adah,
and the name of the second was Zillah.

²⁰⁻²¹ And Adah bore Yabal.
He was the father of those who dwell in tents and have livestock.
His brother's name was Yubal.
He was the father of all those who play the harp and flute.

²² And as for Zillah, she also bore Tubal-Cain,
an instructor of every craftsman in bronze and iron.
And the sister of Tubal-Cain was Naamah.

²³⁻²⁴ Then Lamech said to his wives:
“Adah and Zillah, hear my voice; wives of Lamech, listen to my speech!
For I have killed a man for wounding me,
even a young man for hurting me.
If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, then Lamech seventy-sevenfold.”

The Birth of Seth

²⁵ And Adam knew his wife again,
and she bore a son and named him Seth,
“For **Elohim** has appointed another seed for me instead of Abel,
whom Cain killed.”

²⁶ And as for Seth, to him also a son was born;
and he named him Enosh.

Then it was begun to call upon the name of **Yahweh**.

The End