The Apple Doesn't Fall Far From The Tree

Read **Genesis chapters 1-4**, and answer these questions:

"Did God really say…you must not eat from any tree in the garden?" **True or False?**

What does **1st Timothy 2:14** say about Adam? _____

Paul wrote that "Adam *was not the one that was deceived…*" **1st Timothy 2:14** so it's not as if she "tricked" him. No, Adam apparently knew God's Word, and yet ***decided*** to disobey with his wife. ***Adam was not deceived***. He knew the whole time he watched the nightmare play out in front of him. His actions were planned and deliberate. He knew better, and yet he made the choice to disobey.

What did Jesus say about Abel? _____ **Matthew 23:35**

How did God feel about Cain's sacrifices? _____

_____ **Genesis 4:5**

Why? What was missing? _____

_____ **Genesis 3:21; Genesis 4:3**

Important to note is the specific description of the brothers' sacrifices. Can brought "an offering of the fruit of the ground," while Abel brought a "first born" from his flocks. Cain brought just the basics, while Abel brought the best. As well, there would have been blood sacrifices by this time, as signified in Genesis 3:21. God would have had to have killed an animal to produce the animal skins to dress Adam and Eve.

Speaking of Cain and Abel, George Williams wrote:

> They are both…sinners, no moral difference, and both sentenced to death. The words "by faith [at] Hebrews 11:4 teach that God had revealed a way of approach to Him (Romans 10:17). Abel accepts this way, Cain rejects it.
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> n—George Wlliams, © 1994 Kregel Publishers

What did God warn Cain about? _____

_____ **(Genesis 4:7)**

What makes Seth and his lineage so different from Cain's lineage? _____

_____ **(Genesis 4:26)**

From the beginning, our Old Testament (the *First Testimony*) has pointed toward the cross. Read and meditate on these verses. What parallels do you see?

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[1]*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.* **Genesis 1:1** **niv 1984**

[1] *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.* [2] *He was with God in the beginning.* **John 1:1-2** **niv 1984**

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[2] *Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.* [3]*And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.* **Genesis 1:2-3** **niv 1984**

[3]*Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made.* [4] *In Him was life and that life was the light of men.* **John 1:3-4** **niv 1984**

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[4]*God saw that the light was good and He separated the light from the darkness.* **Genesis 1:4** **niv 1984** ***(At the very least this is prophetic about Christ.)***

[5]*The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.* **John 1:5** **niv 1984**

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Christ said, "*Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the prophets but to fulfill them.* **Matthew 5:17** **niv 1984**

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