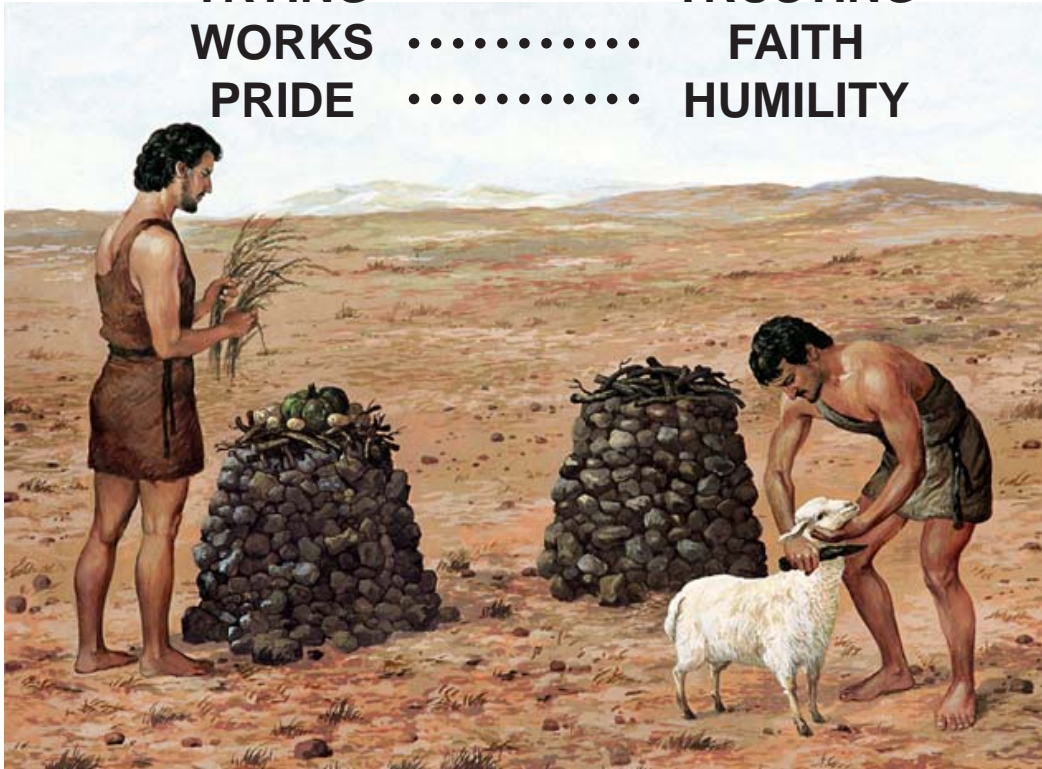


# The World's ONLY TWO RELIGIONS

CAIN	.....	ABEL
DOING	.....	DONE
TRYING	.....	TRUSTING
WORKS	.....	FAITH
PRIDE	.....	HUMILITY



**By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts ...Hebrews 11:4 - Picture produced by New Tribles Mission**

**There are only two religions in the world:** the opposing religions of Cain and Abel.

Cain and Abel had been taught to bring a sacrificial lamb.

As a shepherd, for Abel this was easy. He only had to bring an **unblemished lamb**, and **by faith**, sacrifice it.

Cain was a farmer. He took excessive pride in himself and his work. Cain refused to bring the sacrifice demanded by God. He wanted to have **his own religion**. In pride, he presented God with the **works** of his hands.

God rejected Cain's sacrifice, while accepting Abel's. This made Cain angry. His face showed his displeasure. God tried to reason with him. God

pointed out that a sacrificial lamb was readily available, but Cain refused to give in. His **pride**, the root of all sin, stood between him and his God.

After brooding on God's rejection of his sacrifice, Cain became more and more angry. Finally, one day, Cain found his brother alone in a field and his bitterness got the better of him and he murdered Abel. **Notice**, this is the first murder in the Bible and it is a result of a religious dispute. But also notice who did the killing. Cain, representative of all religions of works, murders Abel, representative of the true religion of faith. Church history proves that the religions of works have always hated the religion of simple, Christ honouring faith.

Cain represents all those who seek to earn a good eternal abode by their **own merit**.

Abel represents all those who come to Christ by **simple, humble faith**.

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us" ..**Titus 3:5**

"Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified" **Galatians 2:16**

Read the account of Cain and Abel in Gen.4:1-9. Now ask yourself, is yours the religion of Cain, or that of Abel? **Cain was religious, but lost.**